

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH BULLETIN

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**THE CONSOLATA MISSIONARIES HAVE BEEN SERVING
THE ST. ANDREW'S COMMUNITY SINCE 2003**

We are a parish that strives to experience God's grace and faithfully embody His love for one another by intertwining our cultures with His teachings! Our mission as followers of Christ is to synthesize the energies, talents and abilities of everyone of every age to fulfill our vision for a Christ-centered world. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and our patron St. Andrew, may we beautify the mystery of faith by humbly denying ourselves to follow Christ. Amen

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:30am – 1:30pm
2:30pm – 5:30pm

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Sunday
8:00am (English) 2:00pm (Twi)
9:30 am (Italian) 5:30pm (Spanish)
11:00am (English)
12:30pm (English)

Children's Sunday Liturgy 11:00am & 12:30pm

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday 8:00am & 7:00pm
Wednesday Iraqi – Rosary and Mass at 5pm
Saturday 8:30am & 5:30pm
Public Holidays 8:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 8:00am & 4:00pm
Wednesday 7:30am
Anytime by Appointment

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am to 6:30pm
1st Saturday Devotions 9:30am to 10:00am

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Home visits: Please call the Parish Office

PARISH TEAM

Fr. George Kibura Njuguna, IMC – Pastor
StAndrewsET@archtoronto.org

Fr. Timothy Kinyua Gatitu, IMC – Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Joseph Owusu-Afriyie – Permanent Deacon
Fr. Alex Osei CSSp – Ghanaian Community
Mr. Martins Igbino – Parish Council
Mrs. Mina Moraes – Finance Council

Ms. Carolina Chavez – Parish Office
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Ms. Sharanka Prince Yogarajah – Youth Coordinator
sprince@archtoronto.org

BAPTISM (CHILDREN UNDER 7 YEARS OLD)

Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd Saturday of every month at 10:00am. **Please contact the Parish Office at least 1 month in advance.**

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to get married must contact the Pastor, at least **one year in advance**, to set the wedding date.

RCIA

Rite of Initiation of Adults into the Christian Faith. Interested in becoming a Catholic? Please contact the Pastor.

NEW PARISHIONER? BE MOST WELCOME!

Welcome to St. Andrew! We'd like you to know that we are here to support you and together come closer to Christ. Please introduce yourself to the Priests or any of the Ministers. Pick up a membership form at the entrance of the Church, complete it and submit it to the Parish Office.

OUR LADY CONSOLATA. PRAY FOR US

Welcome home to St. Andrew's

WEEKLY LITURGY ~ MASS INTENTIONS

† = For the soul of ♥ = Special Intention

Saturday, Nov 29th

8:30am – † Mercedes Pulla, by Jose Pulla
 - † Noel Autencio, by family
 - Thanksgiving for Jude T. Roshan Vethanayagam on her birthday, by Mariul Morales
 5:30pm – † Uliana & Crezenzo Galeazza, by Mario & Maria Pia Di Nardo

Sunday, Nov 30th – First Sunday of Advent

8 am – † Maria Felipa Salanio (1 month death anniv.), by Rosary Prayer group
 9:30 am - (Ita.Mass)
 11 am – For the People of the Parish
 12:30pm – † Renato & Antonio Jr. Galicia / All Souls in Purgatory, by Champion family
 2 pm - (Twi Ghana)
 5:30 pm - (Span.Mass) † Rosa Amalia Espinoza Altamirano (6 yr death anniv.), by Cesar Espinoza & family

Monday, Dec 1st

8 am – † Satish John Vetticaden, by sister Usha
 7 pm – (No Intention)

Tuesday, Dec 2nd

8 am – † For the soul of Coleem Jones, by Sweeney family
 7 pm – Prayers for family & the health of Lyla, by Namroud M. Odisho

Wednesday, Dec 3rd – St. Francis Xavier

8 am – Thanksgiving for Lheean Pauline Pretta on her birthday, by Gardon family
 7 pm – † Maria Luisa Miranda, by Martha Lobo & family

Thursday, Dec 4th – St. John Damascene

8 am – (No Intention)
 7 pm – (No Intention)

Friday, Dec 5th

8 am – (No Intention)
 7 pm – † For the repose of the soul of Sylvia Precil, by Farah

Saturday, Dec 6th - St. Nicholas

8:30am – † Flory, Custodio, Cristaline & Santan, by Dias family
 5:30pm – † Nicola Sardella, by family

Sunday, Dec 7th – Second Sunday of Advent

8 am – † A.T. Mathew, by Jacob Mathew & family
 9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) † Sandra, Giacinto, Pietro & Giulio Di Massimo, by family
 11 am – For the People of the Parish
 12:30pm – † Elizabeth Labaclado & Luisita Laboga, by Lloyd Retuerto & family
 2 pm - (Twi Ghana)
 5:30 pm - (Span.Mass) † Antonio Estrada (1yr death anniv), by Maria Estrada e hijo



The Knights of Columbus Mother Teresa Council are hosting our annual Christmas Caroling event on **Saturday December 13th after the 5:30pm Mass**. Please invite your family and friends out for a fun evening celebrating the Christmas season and the true meaning behind it. Hear all the choirs in their glory singing songs of joy.

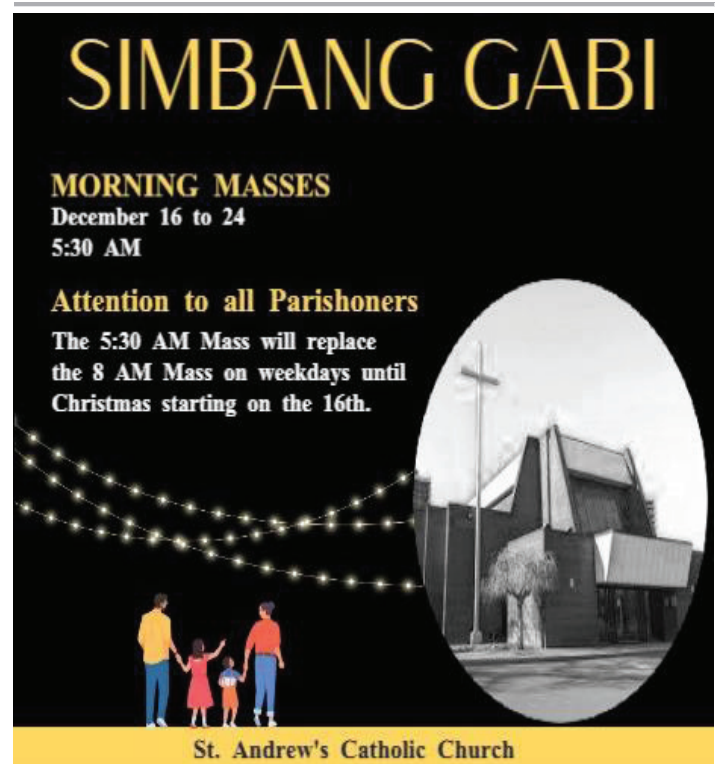


Advent has arrived!

Let us look at the history of the word "advent". The Pagans use the word "advent" to mean the "coming" of their god. On a fixed day of the year, they exposed its statue. They thought that, in that way, the god would become present among them and would bless them. The word "advent" was also used for a visit of a king to a city or for his coronation. Christians applied all these various meanings to the "coming" of their God into the world, in Jesus Christ, and the word "advent" was used to identify specifically the period of time set aside to prepare for the visit. The readings during Advent tells us that Jesus does not come but once, He keeps coming. He comes and is present at every event in our lives; He is present in all that happens in the world and in the Church; in all those who spreads new ideas, who brings love, peace, reconciliation and to those strive to build a new world. To conclude, the readings of Advent invite us to be vigilant so we can recognize how Jesus has chosen to come among us to free us from what is not right in our lives.



From December 14th – 20th, each parish in Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a Day of Confessions. At St. Andrews, we will be having ours on **December 16th from 4-7pm**.



St. Andrew's Catholic Church



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

We will begin our celebration with the Triduum Prayers on December 3rd, 4th and 5th during the 8 AM Mass. The Feast will be celebrated on Monday December 8th. Please be reminded that this is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation in Canada.



Attention: To All Parishioners.

As we approach the end of 2025, we thank you for your weekly offertory and contributions to the various causes in support of St. Andrew's Parish.

We are also updating our records to prepare for the printing of the 2025 tax receipts. To ensure accuracy, a gentle reminder to please:

PRINT on your envelopes your address (if there has been any change); your full name and the \$ amount of your donation. We thank you for your understanding and co-operation. May the Lord continue to bless you for your on-going generosity.



Discerning a Vocation to Religious Life or the Priesthood? We would love to help! Contact our Archdiocesan Vocations Director, Fr. Matthew McCarthy at vocations@archtoronto.org or 416-261-7207. Do not be afraid to say 'yes' to the Lord's will for you.

Attention to all Parishioners of St. Andrews

Thank you to all who came for our St. Andrew's Feast Mass. It was time of holiness, good food and gratitude, remembering our Patron saint. We would like to especially thank those for putting it together, and to our lovely parishioners who decided to take the time out of their Sunday to celebrate this milestone with us. We hope to spend many more blessed years with you.



We have a winner...

You have all waited months to finally see who won the St. Andrew Painting that you have bought an abundance of raffle tickets for and we can finally say... the winner is... **Namroud M. Odisho** with the winning ticket of #000479.

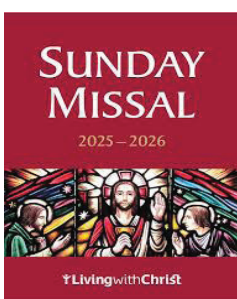
Your gift to ShareLife will double in value!

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From November 3 until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

ShareLife-funded agencies and Food Security Grant recipients are responding to families facing difficult situations, comforting seniors with fellowship, distributing meals to our neighbours in need, and so much more.

Your sacrificial gift this Advent makes this support possible. You offer immediate relief, restore hope, and remind your brothers and sisters in Christ that they are not alone; that there is a family of faith who cares deeply for them.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or at sharelife.org/donate.



Hurry, Sunday Missals are running out fast...

Sunday Missals are almost out of stock for 2026, to purchase, please visit the Parish Office during office hours or after Sunday Masses. Our current price set per missal is \$8. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact the Parish Office.



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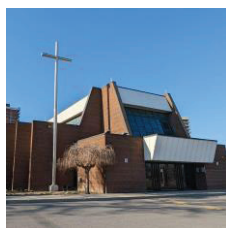
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By the blues, we mean the blue 'St. Andrews Building Fund' envelopes that are available in the foyer and the side entrances. Your contribution goes to be able to cover our various expenses that keeps our Parish, warm, secure and most importantly, holy. If you look up, not too high, just to our roof, we are collecting donations to make the roof more secure and safe for all. Thank you.

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