

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
standrewparish.office@gmail.com

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, Dec 13th - St. Lucy

8:30am - † Lydia & Arcadio de los Reyes, Julian & Emmanuel Santiago, by family

5:30pm - † Bernard Harkin, by Dave and Marina Cartlidge

Sunday, Dec 14th - Third Sunday of Advent

8 am - † Dias, Gomes, Disa, Rodrigues & Pereira, by Dias family

9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) † For the eternal repose of Fr. Stephen Kopfensteiner, by Parishoners

11 am - For the People of the Parish

12:30pm - † Theresa Varghese & Theresa Varghese, by Noble Johnson

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span.Mass)

Monday, Dec 15th

8 am - Thanksgiving for another year of the life of Otillo De la Rosa Jr, by family

7 pm - † Mr. Jacques Holly Dai (2yr since his departure), by Farah

Tuesday, Dec 16th - *Simbang Gabi begins & replaces the 8am Mass

*5:30am - † Eleanor Perfetti, by Carol Anne McAvoy

4-7pm - DAY OF CONFESSIONS FOR ADVENT

7 pm - † 1 yr. death anniversary of Francesca Primerano, by family

Wednesday, Dec 17th

*5:30am - In honour of St. Francis Xavier, by Anthony & family

7 pm - Prayers for family & for the health of Lyla, by Namroud M. Odisho

Thursday, Dec 18th

*5:30am - For the healing from surgery for Flora Crisanti, by family

7 pm - † Joaquim & Maria D'Souza, by family

Friday, Dec 19th

*5:30am - † Ronald Macaraeg (40 days death anniversary), by family

7 pm - † Katherine Markov, by family

Saturday, Dec 20th

8:30am - † Marion Bradley (3yrs death anniv.), by Juanita Bradley
- † Amy Davern, by Eveline

5:30pm - † Antonio Concepcion (3 yrs death anniv.), by Consolacion Concepcion

Sunday, Dec 21st - Fourth Sunday of Advent

8 am - † Alfred, Mary, Theresa, Arulammah and Albert, by Sebastian family

9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) † Fr. Peter Schiavianato, Fr. Basil Cembalista & Deacon Tom Pillisch, by parishoners

11 am - For the People of the Parish

12:30pm - † Rosa Pena, Ernesto & Oswaldo Ruiz, by family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span.Mass)



The Knights of Columbus Mother Teresa Council are hosting our annual Christmas Caroling event on **this 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 DAY OF CONFESSIONS

DECEMBER 14-20, 2025



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 this **Tuesday December 16th from 4-7pm**.

SIMBANG GABI

Novena and Morning Masses

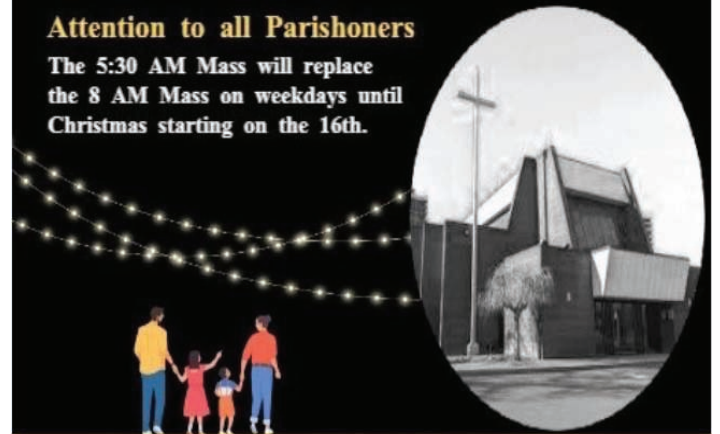
December 16 - 24

Fellowship after Mass

5:30am

Attention to all Parishoners

The 5:30 AM Mass will replace the 8 AM Mass on weekdays until Christmas starting on the 16th.



St. Andrew's Catholic Church



The Youth Coordinators of St. Andrews warmly invite all children and youth to take part in this year's Christmas Nativity Play, presented during the 5:30pm Christmas Eve Family Mass. All children and youth are welcome - there is a place for everyone! If you have any questions, please contact Sharanka Prince (email on the first page) or pick up a green form found at the entrance of the Church.

Attention to all our generous parishioners

From our Parish Dinner & Dance which took place on November 15th, we raised a whopping total of \$7,700.00, which will go to the Parish's Building Fund to help support the various needs of our Parish. We are beyond grateful for your generosity and look forward to more events like our Dinner & Dance in the future. Thank you all for what you do!



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.

Christmas Schedule

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

- SIMBANG GABI - MASS AT DAWN FROM DECEMBER 16 - 24 AT 5:30AM
There will be NO 8:00AM Masses from December 16-24th

WEDNESDAY DEC. 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

- 5:30 PM - CHRISTMAS FAMILY MASS
- 9:00 PM - ADORATION
- 10:00 PM - CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS

THURSDAY DEC. 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

- 8:00 AM (ENGLISH)
- 9:30 AM (ITALIAN)
- 11:00AM (ENGLISH)
- 12:30PM (ENGLISH)
- 2:00PM (TWI)
- 5:30PM (SPANISH)

ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 26 - MASS AT 8AM ONLY - NO EVENING MASS




Youth Section - St. Andrew's Parish 'Wrapped' 2025:

Most "Played" Devotions this year

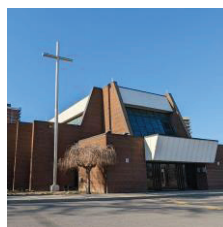
1. Eucharistic Adoration.
2. Rosary.
3. Divine Mercy Chaplet.
4. Saint's Devotional.
5. Bible Reading.

Parish "Top Hits" Events

1. St. Andrews Dinner Dance.
2. Coffee Social after Sunday Masses.
3. Summer Parish Retreat.
4. Youth Passion Play.
5. Fr. Timothy blessing an abundance of people.

Overall Highlights

Our most memorable moments came from the Triduum and various Marian Feast Days and a replayed theme our parish chose this year was the Jubilee of Hope. We thank you all for your commitment to our Parish and look to see you all more next year. (Image used from EWTN.org)



The Church has the blues...

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.

LET'S COME TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY AND DECORATE OUR CHRISTMAS TREE

This Christmas season, we invite you to join us in a special act of love and kindness. We will be decorating our Christmas tree with winter accessories

(BRAND NEW)—scarves, hats, gloves, and socks**(ONLY)**—that will later be donated to the **COVENANT HOUSE** to help those in need during the cold months ahead.

We encourage you to bring your donations to the church and hang them on the tree. It's a beautiful way to share the warmth of the season with those who need it most.



It's a beautiful Christmas project especially for the children!

Covenant House is a large, 501 non-profit charitable organization in the Americas, whose goal is to provide safe housing and holistic care to youth ages 16-21 experiencing homelessness and survivors of human trafficking.

Thank you for your generosity and support. God bless us all.

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.



Make your gift to ShareLife

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From now 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.

The ShareLife Parish Campaign brings our Catholic faith and Gospel values to life, uniting us as a strong and compassionate Catholic community. With your loving support, ShareLife-funded agencies are helping the most vulnerable in our community and around the world. Thank you for living the Gospel this Christmas by providing for those in need.

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

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