

# 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

## CONFESIONS

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

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Tuesday & Thursday** 8:30am to 6:30pm  
**1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:StAndrewsET@archtoronto.org)

**Fr. Timothy Kinyua Gatitu, IMC – Associate Pastor**  
**Rev. Mr. Joseph Owusu-Afriyie – Permanent Deacon**  
**Fr. Alex Osei CSSp – Ghanaian Community**  
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**Ms. Sharanka Prince Yogarajah – Youth Coordinator**  
[sprince@archtoronto.org](mailto:sprince@archtoronto.org)

## BAPTISM (CHILDREN UNDER 7 YEARS OLD)

Baptisms are celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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**

**MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK!**

*† = For the soul of. \* = Multiple Intentions can be booked*

**Saturday, Jan 17<sup>th</sup> – St. Anthony**

8:30am – † Antony & Genowefa Kokoszka, by family  
5:30pm – Thanksgiving for Adelaida G. Usi & Emilia B. Garcia,  
By Emilia B. Garcia

**Sunday, Jan 18<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8 am – Thanksgiving for Alejandro Guieb, by Recy Guieb  
9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) To the Madonna of Lourdes for the recovery  
of illness & guidance for Pamela Terrigno, by  
Felicia Della Posta  
11 am – For the People of the Parish  
12:30pm – † Joaquim & Maria D'Souza, by family  
2 pm - (Twi Ghana)  
5:30 pm - (Span.Mass)

**Monday, Jan 19<sup>th</sup>**

8 am – For my children on their birthdays – blessings and  
forgiveness, by mother  
7 pm – Thanksgiving for Alstan, by Tharshinee

**Tuesday, Jan 20<sup>th</sup> – St. Fabian & Sebastian**

8 am – † Salvatore, Maria & Franca, by family  
7 pm – † Emerita Pereira, by St. Andrew's staff

**Wednesday, Jan 21<sup>st</sup> – St. Agnes**

8 am – (Open Intention)  
7pm – Prayers for family for the health of Lyla, by Namroud M.  
Odisho

**Thursday, Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> – St. Vincent & Marianne Cope**

8 am – † Aloysius & Aloysia Suhari-Lestari, by Suhari family  
7 pm – † Paolo Francesco Maltese, by family

**Friday, Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>**

\*8 am – † Albina Padilla & Andrea Pulmano, by Gilda Pulmano  
7 pm – (Open Intention)

**Saturday, Jan 24<sup>th</sup>**

\*8:30am – Thanksgiving for 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary for Frank &  
Sriyani Silva, by their children and family

**10:30am – Sto Niño Mass**

5:30pm – † In memory of Verna McCarthy, by Marina

**Sunday, Jan 25<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Word of God)**

8 am – † Lili Broderick, by Joseph Galac  
9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) To Sta. Lucia for Maria Della Posta &  
Martina Notte, by Felicia Della Posta  
11 am – For the People of the Parish

12:30pm – † Katherine Markov, by family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span.Mass)

*\*On Friday & Saturday Mornings is our Multiple Mass Intention days. In addition,  
please be most welcomed to book a Mass Intention on the Open Intention days\**

**As one Jubilee Year closes, another begins!**

*Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed this year to be a special year of Jubilee to commemorate the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St. Francis' death. During this time of grace, which will extend until January 2027, the faithful are granted the opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence by usual conditions and by making a pilgrimage to any Franciscan church or place of worship dedicated to St. Francis anywhere in the world.*



**Celebration of the Feast of Sto Niño**

Where? In our Parish!

**This Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @  
10:30am followed by Potluck Lunch in  
the Parish Hall!**

9 Day Novena starts Thursday January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at  
6:15pm followed by Holy Rosary at 6:30pm

Sat, January 17<sup>th</sup> after the 8:30am Mass

Sun, January 18<sup>th</sup> – Personal Devotion (Not in the Church)

**Feast Day: Saturday January 24<sup>th</sup>**

*Rosary will be at 10am*

**10:30am – Mass of the Feast of Santo Niño**

*Blessing of the Children and Images of Sto Niño*



The Feast of the Santo Niño, celebrated yearly on the third Sunday of January, is marked by joyful devotion throughout the Philippines, especially in Cebu, expressing the deep faith of Filipinos in the Holy Child Jesus. The revered image in the Basilica of Santo Niño de Cebu, the country's oldest Christian icon, was given to Queen Juana by Ferdinand Magellan's expedition at her baptism, as recorded by Antonio Pigafetta.

**The 'Need to Knows' for our Parish on  
January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026.**

**Lest we forget our envelopes!**

For those who had registered for envelopes for 2026, you can now find them in the back of the Parish numbered and a list organized by last name. If you do not have a registered envelope (even if you didn't sign up and would like one), please call the Parish Office during Office Hours.

**What is happening for the month of January?**

Please be advised that parish office services will be limited throughout the month of January due to the availability of the parish priests. In addition, all group & ministry meetings, as well as choir practices, should not be booked until February. Thank you!

**A communal loss has occurred...**

As previously announced, we continue to mourn the passing of Emerita Pereira, who went home to the Lord on January 8th in Mysore, India. Emerita faithfully served our parish for many years as Parish Secretary and is lovingly remembered for her generosity, care, and dedication.

We again extend our heartfelt condolences and prayers to her loved ones, asking that they find comfort in God's love and in the cherished memories they hold of her. May her soul rest in eternal peace. \*see 2<sup>nd</sup> pg for picture\*

**Another Jubilee Year has begun!**

Yes, you have read correctly! Usual conditions apply, see the left side of Bulletin!

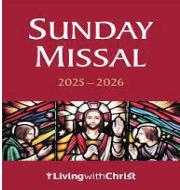
**Welcome to the Young Adult Corner of the Bulletin  
(1.18)**

Did you know that in 17<sup>th</sup> Century, the Bishop of Quebec approached his superiors to see if his flock could eat beaver meat during Fridays in Lent, due to its aquatic habitat and behaviour, it was declared a fish and allowed in Lent, this was extended to Capybara and muskrat as well.

Did you know there are nine sins that incur automatic excommunication include *apostasy, heresy, schism, violating the sacred species, physically attacking the Pope, consecrating a bishop without proper authorization, directly violating the seal of confession and procuring an abortion.*

Did you know St. Pope John Paul II was made an honorary Harlem Globetrotter?

Did you know St. Jerome healed a lion's wounded paw, after which the grateful animal lives peacefully in the monastery guarded a donkey used for work. When merchants stole the donkey, the lion recovered it. In addition the thieves would repent and pledge yearly gifts to the monastery.



**A new Jubilee Year has arrived and you are missing one thing...**

Sunday Missals are almost gone, to purchase, please visit the Parish Office during office hours or after Sunday Masses. Our current price set per missal is \$8.

**Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for this month is...**

For prayer with the Word of God, that it may be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal; and missionary Church.



**SSVP has an announcement for you all!**

The members of the SSVP - St. Andrew's Conference, acknowledge and thank our parishioners for their donations to our "poor boxes" that you see within the Church. Your funds not only assist our "Neighbours in Need" within our Church boundaries during the year but are a big assistance at Christmas. This year we were able to help fifty-three families (53) comprising one hundred and thirty-four adults (134), with food vouchers to be used at our No Frills Store. Eighty-two (82) children within these families were given Walmart Gift Cards to be used to buy toys or what was a greater need for the child. Know that when these families received our Christmas Cards with these items, it not only brought a huge smile but they appreciated knowing that people cared for them from our Parish. God Bless you All.

**Frequently Asked Questions for our Parish!**

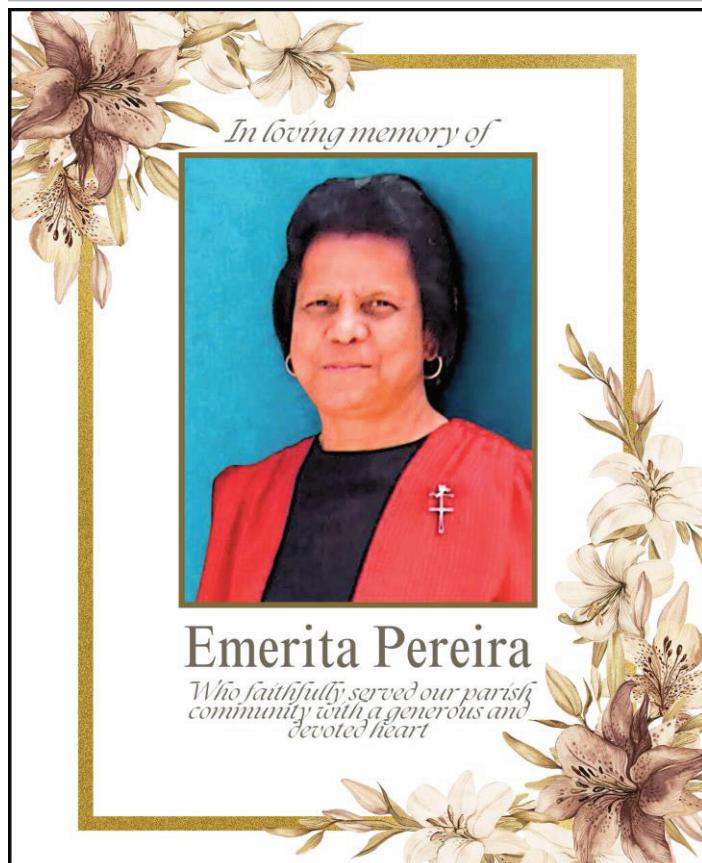
- Q: How do I book a Mass Intention? A: *Using the form in foyer or Parish Office.*
- Q: Where can I find Mass times? A: *In weekly Mass intentions to the left, 1<sup>st</sup> pg.*
- Q: How do I find the Office? A: *North on Kipling, find rectory sign and buzz door.*
- Q: How do I get a copy of my certificates? A: *Call the Parish Office during hours.*
- Q: How do I register as a parishioner? A: *Fill yellow form, put it in collections.*
- Q: How do I become Catholic? A: *through RCIA, registration in September.*

**St. Andrew's Parish Stewardship**  
Collection for Jan. 11, 2026  
Sunday Offertory \$7,572.00



The Jewish feasts were central to Israel's faith, especially Passover, which commemorated God's deliverance of His people from slavery through the sacrifice of an unblemished lamb whose blood brought protection and life. Along with Passover, the Feast of Weeks and the Feast of Tabernacles recalled God's gift of the Law, His providence in the desert, and His ongoing covenantal care. Through these celebrations, as well as daily temple sacrifices and the prophecy of the Suffering Servant in Isaiah, the Jewish people became deeply familiar with the image of the lamb as a sign of sacrifice, redemption, and the forgiveness of sins.

Within this context, John the Baptist's declaration, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world," would have powerfully resonated with his disciples, who regarded him as a true prophet preparing the way for the Messiah. His words pointed to Jesus as the fulfillment of Passover, prophecy, and sacrifice, stirring excitement, hope, and awe among those who heard him. Today, as the Church enters Ordinary Time after the Christmas season, this same proclamation invites us to encounter Jesus' public ministry with renewed faith and anticipation. Like John's disciples, we are called to see Christ with fresh eyes, follow Him without reserve, and allow the Lamb of God to take away our sins and renew His work in our lives. (*summarized from mycatholiclife*)



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