

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
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Fr. Timothy Kinyua Gatitu, IMC – Associate Pastor
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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

5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | FEB 8th, 2026 | ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Welcome home to St. Andrew's

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK!

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

Saturday, Feb 7th

*8:30am - Thanksgiving for Osazuwa Atekha-Aideyan on his birthday, by family

5:30pm - † In memory of Rayna Pitale, by Mary

Sunday, Feb 8th - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am - † Felipa Salanio & David Chapman, by Delores, Cheryl & Keith

9:30 am - † (Ita.Mass) Velia Speranza (1yr death anniversary), by her daughter

11 am - For the People of the Parish

12:30pm - † Emerita Pereira (1 month anniv.), by family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span.Mass)

Monday, Feb 9th

8 am - † Kathleen Markey, by Mary Viglione

7 pm - † Giovanna D'Arolfi, by family

Tuesday, Feb 10th - St. Scholastica

8 am - † Guillermo Regala, by Regala family

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

Wednesday, Feb 11th - Our Lady of Lourdes

8 am - (Open Intention)

7 pm - King Solomon's Intentions, by himself

Thursday, Feb 12th

8 am - † Angelita & Juanito Galicia, by Champion family

7 pm - † Michele, Giovanna Di Lillo & Fr. Vito Marziliano, by family

Friday, Feb 13th

*8 am - † Leonita Narag, by friend

7 pm - (Open Intention)

Saturday, Feb 14th - St. Cyril & Methodius

*8:30am - † Henry Kokoszka, by family

- Thanksgiving for Rita on her birthday & healing, by Rita Onu & family

5:30pm - Thanksgiving for Josh birthday, by Sini, Joji & Jish

Sunday, Feb 15th - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 am - † Lili Broderick, by family

9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) † Giuseppe Pannia & Luciana Lot, by Pannia & Lot family

11 am - For the People of the Parish

12:30pm - † Janakan Gopalakrishan, by family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span.Mass)

On Friday & Saturday Mornings is our only Multiple Mass Intention days. In addition, please feel free to book a Mass Intention on the Open Intention days. Our "for the people" Masses cannot have personal intentions. Thank you!



Deo Gratias, Anno Iubilari Franciscano!

This year is a year of Jubilee to commemorate the 800th 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.

Special Collection Announcement:

If you didn't contribute to the Building Fund on February 1st, we are still taking collections for the remainder of the month of February. We continue to appreciate your generosity at the Sunday Masses. God bless you all.

The 'Need to Knows' for our Parish on February 8th, 2026.

Am I forgetting something?

A gentle reminder to please pick up your 2026 envelopes, available at the back of the church. If you do not have an assigned envelope number and would like one, please contact the parish office during regular hours. Kindly avoid using previous-year envelopes, as envelope numbers may change.

St. Andrew's is getting a brand new look...

On our website, we're excited to share that our new Parish website is coming soon! As we move to this new platform, **Flocknote will be phased out**. More information will be provided in the weeks to come. If you have any questions, please reach out to *Sharanka Prince* (email is listed in the Bulletin).

Palms and Ash Wednesday...

Ash Wednesday, this year will be on the **18th of February**. You are most welcome to celebrate this solemn event, marking the beginning of Lent. We are collecting palms for burning to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday, if you have any remaining palms you wish to donate, please bring them in during your next visit to the Church in the foyer. Thank you!

A celebration is to occur & Family Day Schedule

We invite you to celebrate the first centenary of St. Joseph Allamano's death on February 16, 2026, at the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Please note that the parish office will be closed that day, and only this Mass will be celebrated due to the Family Day Holiday. Have a blessed Family Day, and we hope to see you there.

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, 1st 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.*

Welcome to the Young Adult Corner of the Bulletin (2.08)

In the *Extraordinary Form* of the Mass, there is a pre-Lenten season called Septuagesima meaning roughly 70 days before Easter. This Sunday will be Sexagesima Sunday (60 days until Easter) where violet vestments are introduced and the Alleluia and Gloria are omitted. (A preparation season)

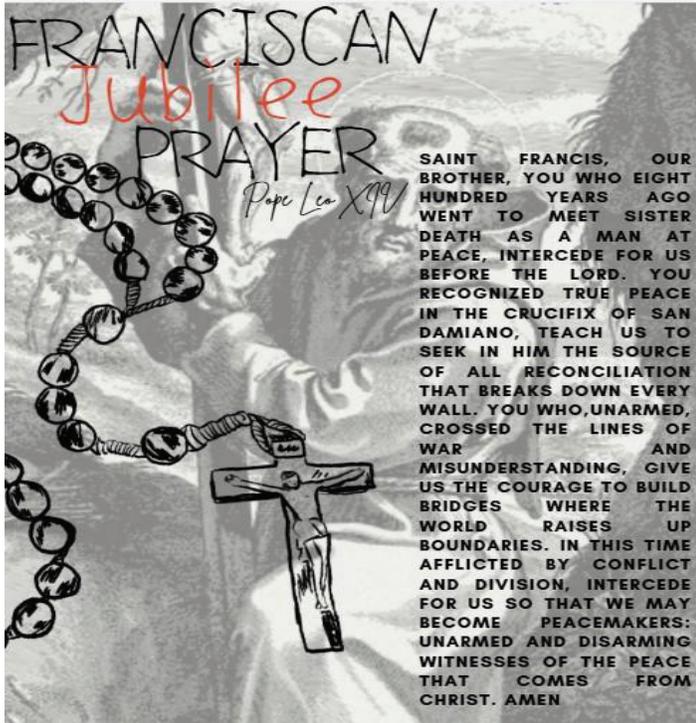
Did you know the vessel where hosts are kept is called the Ciborium, the square piece of cloth on the altar is called the Corporal and the gold vessel which enthrones and exposes the Holy Eucharist is called the Monstrance.

Did you know in some parts of the world, the Catholic Church provides the only healthcare, education and social services available to people (eg: in large parts of Sub-Saharan Africa, India, Rural and Remote Areas).



You almost got everything for this year but you are missing one last thing...

Sunday Missals are nearing the end, 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 February is...

For children with incurable diseases, Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support. never losina strenath and hope.



Sunday Gospel Reflection for February 8th, 2026.

In this Sunday's Gospel the Lord Jesus tells his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth.... You are the light of the world" (Mt 5:13,14). With these richly evocative images he wishes to pass on to them the meaning of their mission and their witness.

Salt, in the cultures of the Middle East, calls to mind several values such as the Covenant, solidarity, life and wisdom. Light is the first work of God the Creator and is a source of life; the word of God is compared to light, as the Psalmist proclaims: "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Ps 119[118]:105).

And, again in today's Liturgy, the Prophet Isaiah says: "If you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness and your gloom be as the noonday" (58:10).

Wisdom sums up in itself the beneficial effects of salt and light: in fact, disciples of the Lord are called to give a new "taste" to the world and to keep it from corruption with the wisdom of God, which shines out in its full splendour on the Face of the Son because he is "the true light that enlightens every man" (Jn 1:9).

United to him, in the darkness of indifference and selfishness, Christians can diffuse the light of God's love, true wisdom that gives meaning to human life and action.

This 11 February, the Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, we shall celebrate the World Day of the Sick. It is a favourable opportunity on which to reflect, to pray and to increase the sensitivity that the ecclesial communities and civil society show to our sick brothers and sisters.

In the Message for this Day, inspired by a sentence from the First Letter of Peter, "By his wounds you have been healed" (1 Pt 2:24), I invite everyone to contemplate Jesus, the Son of God, who suffered and died but is Risen.

God radically opposes the overbearingness of evil. The Lord takes care of human beings in every situation, he shares in their suffering and opens their hearts to hope. I therefore urge all health-care workers to recognize in the sick person not only a body marked by frailty but first and foremost a person, to whom they should give full solidarity and offer appropriated and qualified help.

In this context I also recall that today in Italy is the "Day for Life". I hope that everyone will make an effort to increase the culture of life and to make the human being the centre in all circumstances. According to both faith and reason, the dignity of the person cannot be reduced to his or her faculties or visible capacity; thus human dignity is never lacking even when the person is weak, sick or in need of help.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us invoke the motherly intercession of the Virgin Mary so that parents, grandparents, teachers, priests and all who are involved in education may inculcate in the young generations wisdom of heart, to enable them to attain fullness of life. (vatican.va) Pope Benedict XVI, Angelus, Sunday Feb. 6th 2011.

Let us continue to pray for the sick.

Thank You for Your Generosity!



We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners who so generously donated winter accessories for the Covenant House. Your gifts will provide warmth, comfort, and hope to young people in need during the coldest months of the year.

Your compassion and willingness to serve truly reflect the spirit of our parish and Christ's call to care for one another. Please know that your kindness will make a meaningful difference in the lives of many. Thank you for being a blessing to our wider community.

The items collected: Hats/toques - 78, Mittens - 139, scarves - 20, socks - 132 pairs and miscellaneous items - 20



We congratulate our neighbouring Diocese for their 10th Bishop!

The Diocese of Hamilton has officially installed His Excellency, Bishop Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA on February 2nd, this past Monday.

Among those who attended was Frank Cardinal

Leo, Thomas Cardinal Collins and more. You can find the Installation Mass using this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1725HqY9hK4>

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