

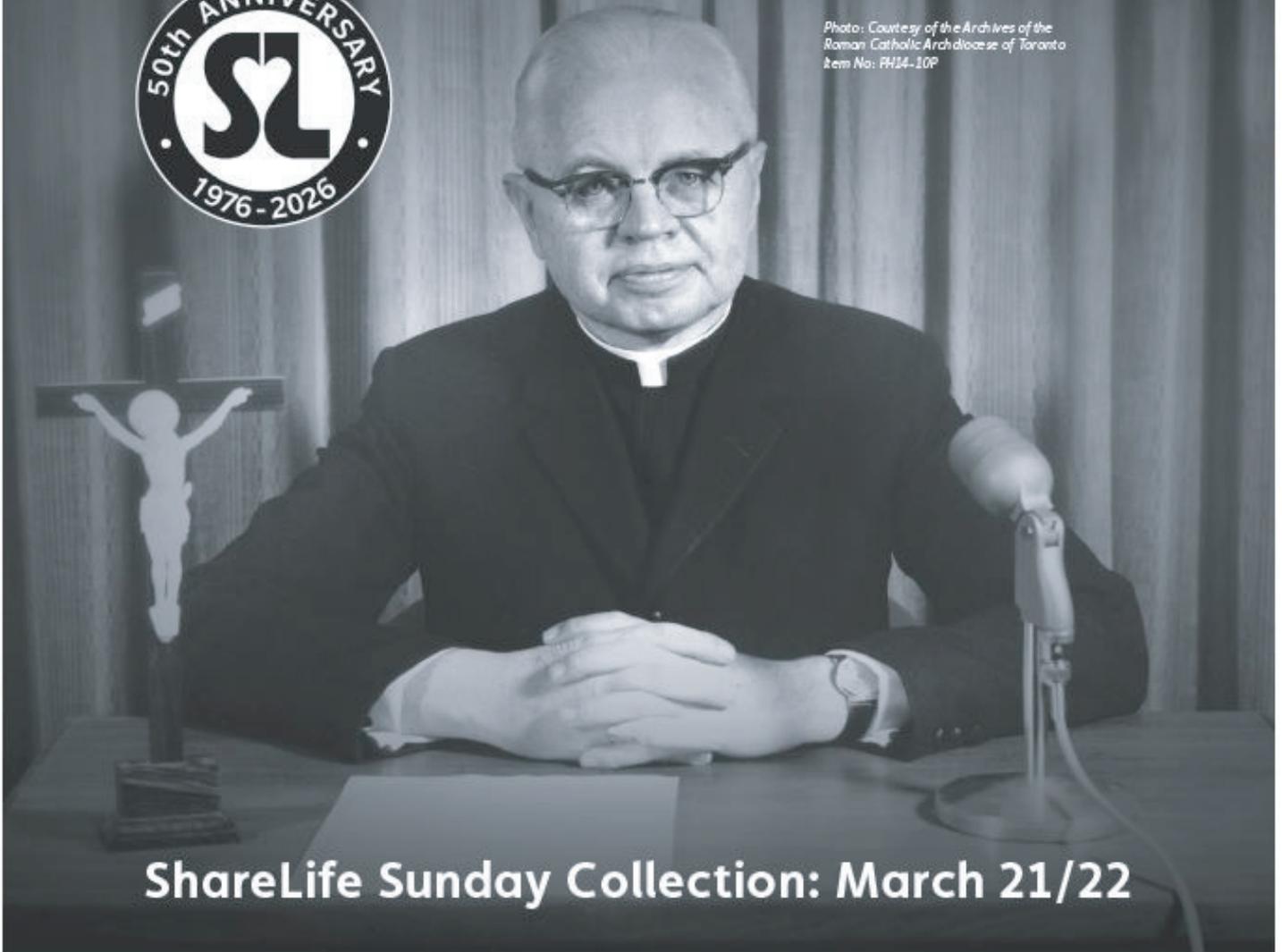
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– Archbishop Philip Francis Pocock,
A Declaration on Behalf of Life, March 19, 1976

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5th SUNDAY OF LENT | MAR 22nd, 2026 | ST. ANDREW'S R.C. CHURCH

Welcome home to St. Andrew's

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK!

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

Saturday, Mar 21st

*8:30am - † Wilberto Abrasaldo & Iris Abrasaldo Callumbiran, by Marilyn Apilan
- In honour of St. Joseph, by Eveline
- Healing Prayers to Sacred Heart, especially for Vince, by Maria Pia

5:30pm - † Zenaida Canonizado Fernandez, by family

Sunday, Mar 22nd - 5th Sunday in Lent (ShareLife Sunday)

8 am - † Franceschince & Francesco Serra (1st year death anniv.), by Rosa

9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) † Giuseppe Marellò & In honour of St. Giuseppe, by family

11 am - For the People of the Parish - 3rd Scrutiny (RCIA)

12:30pm - † Mamerta Domingo, by Araceli Hiorth & family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span.Mass) † Lucy Villada Gutierrez (4th anniv.), by familia Villada Gutierrez

Monday, Mar 23rd - St. Turibus

8 am - Thanksgiving for Joan Blake on her birthday, by family

4 - 7pm - LENTEN CONFESSIONS IN THE PARISH

7 pm - † Joseph Bonello, Christine Graco, Guy Rasquin & Andrew Vella, by Martese

Tuesday, Mar 24th - St. Oscar Romero

8 am - Healing prayers to Sacred Heart (Special for Vince), by Maria Pia

7 pm - † Maria Morabito (1st year death anniversary), by family

Wednesday, Mar 25th - ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

8 am - (Open Intention)

7 pm - † In memory of Eugene Michael McAvoy, by Carol Anne McAvoy

Thursday, Mar 26th

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

7 pm - † Mary & Milton Fernando, by family

Friday, Mar 27th

*8 am - Wedding anniversary of Carmela & Melvin, by Carmela

7 pm - 4th birthday of Luke Mendonca, by parents

Saturday, Mar 28th

*8:30am - Thanksgiving, by Adolphine Kambayire & Francois Ndayizigiye

5:30pm - Thanksgiving for Jesse on their birthday, by Naranjo friends & family

Sunday, Mar 29th - PALM SUNDAY (PASSION OF CHRIST)

8 am - † 11th death anniversary of Gennaro Sestini, by daughter Patricia

9:30 am - (Ita.Mass) † Pietro, Giulio, Sandra, Giacinto Di Massimo, by family

11 am - For the People of the Parish - 3rd Scrutiny (RCIA)

12:30pm - † Giuseppe Aspro, by wife & family

2 pm - (Twi Ghana)

5:30 pm - (Span.Mass) † Mercedes Pulla, by Jose Pulla

On Friday & Saturday Mornings is our only Multiple Mass Intention days. Please make sure intentions are spelled clearly as they will appear as written on the bulletin

NEED TO KNOW'S

Lenten Confessions

Our Confessions for Lent will be now held on Monday, March 23rd from 4-7pm. This would be the last Monday before the Holy Week begins. We hope to see you there. God bless.

Sharelife Sunday is this Sunday!

Our first Sharelife Sunday is this weekend, the Second Collection will be taken up this Sunday on March 22nd at all the Sunday Masses. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Tax Receipts are ready!

Your tax receipts are ready! Please pick them up in the Parish Office during office hours. Thank you!

Stations of the Cross

Join us every Friday during Lent for the Stations of the Cross, at 6:15 pm followed by Holy Mass.

ST. ANDREW'S

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT, 2026

LENTEN V EDITION

YOUNG ADULT CORNER. 3.22

Palm Sunday is next Sunday, did you know in the 1962 Roman Missal, we had Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday separately? Passion Sunday was commonly the 5th Sunday of Lent while Palm Sunday remained the 6th Sunday. In addition, did you know the movie "The Passion of Christ" by Mel Gibson is based off the visions of Blessed Anne Catherine Emmerich where her visions are detailed in the book "Dolorous Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ."

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.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH IS...

FOR DISARMAMENT AND PEACE

LET US PRAY THAT NATIONS MOVE TOWARD EFFECTIVE DISARMAMENT, PARTICULARLY NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, AND THAT WORLD LEADERS CHOOSE THE PATH OF DIALOGUE AND DIPLOMACY INSTEAD OF VIOLENCE.

Coming up this week: March 25th (Annunciation of the Lord) is a major solemnity in the Catholic Church. May you have a blessed Solemnity!

Baptism

We would like to congratulate the parents of the Newly Baptized Children in March 2026: Isabel Mae Gough Foster, Caleb Lloyd Gonsalves Klara Siana Perera Kotiwila Appuhamilage and Khyon Kwame Osei-Peprah III.



Celebrating the Special Jubilee Year of St. Francis

His Eminence Cardinal Leo has written a lovely letter in regards of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV declaring a Jubilee Year. In light of this year, His Eminence has declared pilgrim churches within the various regions of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Have a blessed Jubilee year.



Let us continue to pray for those who have gone before the Lord, who are sick, suffering and for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



Saint of the Week: St. Bernadette

In 1858, 14-year-old Saint Bernadette Soubirous saw a series of visions of Our Lady (of Lourdes) near a grotto in Lourdes, France. Despite doubt and questioning, she remained humble and faithful as Mary asked for prayer, penance, and a chapel at the site where a healing spring appeared. Bernadette later entered religious life and lived quietly in prayer until her death in 1879, while Lourdes became one of the world's most beloved pilgrimage sites.

Gospel for March 22nd, 2026.
 "...I am the Resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live..." (John 11:1-45)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY AT
6:15 PM
 FOLLOWED BY
 MASS

PALM SUNDAY SUNDAY MARCH 29

REGULAR
 SUNDAY
 SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY THURSDAY APRIL 2

8:00 AM - MORNING PRAYER
 (LITURGY OF THE HOURS)
 7:30 PM - MASS OF THE LORD'S
 SUPPER (FOLLOWED BY
 ADORATION IN THE PARISH
 HALL UNTIL MIDNIGHT)

GOOD FRIDAY FRIDAY APRIL 3

8:30 AM
 MORNING PRAYERS
 11:00 AM
 STATIONS OF THE
 CROSS
 3:00 PM
 THE LORD'S PASSION
 (ENGLISH)
 5:00 PM
 THE LORD'S PASSION
 (ENGLISH)

EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY APRIL 4

9:00 AM - MORNING PRAYERS
 (LITURGY OF THE HOURS)
 FOLLOWED BY THE HOLY
 ROSARY OF OUR LADY OF
 SORROWS
 9:00 PM - EASTER VIGIL MASS

EASTER SUNDAY SUNDAY APRIL 5

REGULAR
 SUNDAY
 SCHEDULE

EASTER MONDAY MONDAY APRIL 6

8AM MASS
 (PARISH OFFICE
 CLOSED)
 NO MASS AT 7PM



Are you looking to celebrate your Holy Matrimony this year? You need to attend a marriage preparation course. Marriage preparation session is going on here in St Andrew's. Starting April 25, 2026. To register call the office for more information. Registration closes on April 11, 2026.

Help Not Harm: Take Action to Support Bill C-218

Write your Member of Parliament Today! Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca
 You're invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**, which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027. Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

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