**Mass Intentions**

**(February 9 – February 16, 2018)**

**Friday, February 9:** 7:00 p.m. Mass

**Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Atbiade**

*Req. Celina Pereira*

**Saturday, February 10:** 5:00 p.m. Mass

**Thanksgiving for Fr. Reginald Xavier Francis**

*Req. the Francis Family*

**Intentions of Maria Cutajar** *Req. Agnes Caruana*

**Sunday, February 11:** 6:00 p.m. Mass

**Intentions of Mr. Agnelo Casnero** *Req. Celina Pereira*

**Souls in Purgatory** *Req. Celina Pereira*

**Wednesday, February 14:** 7:00 p.m. Mass

**+ Domnic Fernandes** *Req. Maria Fernandes*

**Thrusday, February 15:** 8:00 a.m. Mass

**+ Joseph and Christine Fernandes**

*Req. Maria Fernandes*

**Lenten Schedule**

**Ash Wednesday (February 14)**

Morning Mass – 8:00 a.m.

Evening Mass – 7:00 p.m.

**Fridays in Lent**

6:00 p.m. - Adoration

6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist



**Stations of the Cross schedule**

**Lenten Fridays Time: 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.**

February 16, 2018: Holy Cross Priests

February 23, 2018: Handmaids of the Lord

March 2, 2018: Holy Cross Youth Movement

March 9, 2018: Parish Council

March 16, 2018: Holy Family Prayer

March 23, 2018: Development & Peace

March 30, 2018: Native Peoples Parish

**2018 World Day of Prayer**

This year, St. Ann Parish will be hosting the ecumenical Service for the 2018 World Day of Prayer. Join us on **Friday,** **March 2, 2018** at 2:00 p.m. to pray for peace. All are welcome to join.

**Fish and Chips**

St. Ann Parish will host Fish and Chips Fridays during Lent. Join us at the parish hall every **Friday of Lent until Friday, March 30**,

from 5:30 p.m. onwards. Suggested price: $5.00. Proceed go towards the new Heating System project.



**Devotion to Blessed Virgin Mary**

On **February 19th** after the 8:00 am Mass, the members of the Handmaids of the Lord are inviting everyone for a special devotion of reciting 2000 Hail Mary’s as a day of Prayer for the peace in the World.

**TAX Receipts for 2017**

Please do pick up your 2017 TAX Receipts at the Main Entrance of the Church. These are from your donations made to St. Ann parish only. Donations made to Family of Faith campaign are mailed directly to you. If you have any questions with the Tax Receipts please call the office or email us.

Envelopes for 2018 are available at the back of the church. If you are a new parishioner and would like to register for a box of envelopes, please drop by our table at the back of the church so we can assign you an envelope number.



**Year of Ministry – February 2018**

During the month of February, please keep in your prayers and support our **Couples’ Ministry and Vocation Promotion**. Thank you for supporting with your time and talents by effectively ministering at St. Ann parish and Native Peoples’ Mission. May God bless you with love and joy.

**Seminar on** **the Joy of Love:**

***Amoris Laetitia***

The Holy Family Prayer group is hosting a seminar on Pope Francis’ latest letter: ***The Joy of love Amoris Laetitia***. This is a special invitation for couples and families to register for the Sessions to be held on the **fourth Saturday of the month after the 5 p.m. Mass**

**Dates**: February 24,

March 24 and

April 28

**Time**: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**Place**: Parish Hall

For more information please contact St. Ann Parish office staff or call 416 466 2127



**The Sacrament of Anointing – February 10 and 11, 2018**

As we celebrate the Year of Ministry, we support and pray for all who are in different healing ministries. After the Weekend Masses, everyone is most welcome to receive the Sacrament of Anointing.

**St. Ann’s Resettlement Committee Meeting - Sunday February 18th**

Good news! In late November, our family attended their first immigration interview with Canadian officials and it went well.  If all goes as planned, our family will be arriving in Canada in September 2018 and we need to get ready!  New committee members are welcome to attend this meeting. at 11:45am in the church rectory after mass at 10:30am. If you have any questions please contact Theresa at 416-700-3358 or theresaspohn@gmail.com

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2018**

Mater Ecclesiae: “Behold, your son... Behold, your mother. And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.” (Jn 19:26-27) – Pope Francis

Reflections:

* The Church’s service to the sick and those who care for them must continue **with renewed vigour, in fidelity to the Lord’s command** (cf. Lk 9:2-6; Mt 10:1-8; Mk 6:7-13) and following the eloquent example of her Founder and Master. The theme for this year’s Day of the Sick is provided by the words that Jesus spoke from the Cross to Mary, his Mother, and to John: “Woman, behold your son ... Behold your mother. And from that hour the disciple took her into his home” (Jn 19:26-27).
* Before all else, Jesus’ words are the source of Mary’s maternal vocation for all humanity. Mary was to be, in particular, the Mother of her Son’s disciples, caring for them and their journey through life. As we know, **a mother’s care for her son or daughter** includes both the material and spiritual dimensions of their upbringing……**A role that never ceases.**
* John, the beloved disciple, is a figure of **the Church, the messianic peopl**e. He must acknowledge Mary as his Mother. That is why Mary’s maternal vocation to care for her children is entrusted to John and to the Church as a whole.
* The entire community of disciples is included in **Mary’s maternal vocation.** John, as a disciple who shared everything with Jesus, knows that the Master wants to lead all people to an encounter with God.
* **The Church’s maternal vocation to the needy** and to the sick has found concrete expression throughout the two thousand years of her history in an impressive series of initiatives on behalf of the sick.
* It continues to the present day throughout the world. In countries where adequate public health care systems exist, the work of Catholic religious congregations and dioceses and their hospitals is aimed not only at providing quality medical care, but also at putting **the human person at the centre of the healing process**.
* **The image of the Church as a “field hospital”** that welcomes all those wounded by life is a very concrete reality, for in some parts of the world, missionary and diocesan hospitals are the only institutions providing necessary care to the population.
* The memory of this **long history of service to the sick is cause for rejoicing** on the part of the Christian community, and especially those presently engaged in this ministry.
* Wise organization and charity demand that the sick person be respected in his or her dignity, and constantly kept at the centre of **the therapeutic process.** We cannot forget the tender love and perseverance of many families in caring for their chronically sick or severely disabled children, parents and relatives.
* It is **a shared responsibility** that enriches the value of the daily service given by each. May Mary, the mother of the Church, help us in our service to the sick bringing healing to all.

**Development and Peace Coffee Sundays**

**Today Sunday, February 11** after the 10:30 a.m. mass our Development and Peace Group will have Fair Trade Products (tea, coffee, cocoa and chocolate) for sale at the back of the church. You are also encouraged to become a D&P member, a great way to educate yourself about social justice issues.