

# St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church

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#### **WELCOME**

If you are new to our parish, please be sure to register, complete the registration form and get Sunday donation envelope.

Registration forms are available at the Information Centre, or at the Church entrance.

If you are moving from the parish, changing address, or phone#, please notify the Parish Office. Thank you.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **BAPTISM**

Last Saturday of the months of January, March, May, September, and November @ 11am.

#### **PREPARATION**

Baptism Class is required for Parents and Godparents, offered on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the months of January, March, May, September, and November @ 7pm.

Requirements must be all completed before attending the Baptism Class. Contact Parish Office to register.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday to Friday – 10am to 12pm & 1pm to 4pm

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### Sunday Masses -

Saturday 5pm

Sunday 9am, 11am & 4pm

#### Weekdays -

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

8:15 am

Tuesday 6pm Friday 9am

First Friday 9am & 6pm

Saturday 9am

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Every Wednesday after 8:15am Mass

School Mass Wednesday 9:30am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 9:30am – 10:30am in the church

#### MARRIAGE

Contact Father Joe through the Parish Office at least six months before making any plans.

#### FUNERALS,

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, COMMUNION FOR ELDERLY, AND HOUSE/CAR BLESSINGS

Contact Father Joe & Father Francesco anytime.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

# **Parish Religious Education Program** (P.R.E.P.)

Classes on Sundays for Grades 1 to 7 & Post-Con, 10:30am to 12pm, from September 2023 to June 2024.

For more information, please contact Ana Alayan @ 604.872.2900.

# Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Non-Catholic adults who desire to join the Catholic Church and also Catholics who wish to deepen their faith.

Every Thursday, 7pm to 8:30pm from September 2023 to June 2024.

For more information, please contact parish office @ 604.327.2824.



Jesus is risen! There is hope for you; you are no longer in the power of sin, of evil! Love has triumphed, mercy has been victorious! The mercy of God always triumphs!

How many deserts, even today, do human beings need to cross? Above all, the desert within, when we have no love for God or neighbour, when we fail to realize that we are guardians of all that the Creator has given us and continues to give us. So this is the invitation which I address to everyone: Let us accept the grace of Christ's Resurrection! Let us be renewed by God's mercy. Let us be loved by Jesus. Let us enable the power of His love to transform our lives too; and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation and make justice and peace flourish.

And so we ask the risen Jesus, who turns death into life, to change hatred into love, vengeance into forgiveness, war into peace. Yes, Christ is our peace, and through Him we implore peace for all the world. May the risen Lord, the conqueror of sin and death, be a support to you all, especially to the weakest and neediest. Thank you for your presence and for the witness of your faith. "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; for His steadfast love endures for ever."

Excerpt from Urbi et Orbi Message of His Holiness, Pope Francis



#### **Dear Parishioners:**

It brings me immense joy to announce the Good News that the Lord has risen. He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

This proclamation carries with it the essence of hope, renewal, and eternal

As I look around us, I am captivated by the beauty of spring. Everywhere I turn, nature is bursting forth the promise of new beginnings - the newness of life. Amidst the darkness of a troubled world, the light of Christ still shines even brighter, bringing hope to all.

Let us embrace the power of the Resurrection! Let us be a people of hope and a people of light. Let us bring the risen Christ to the world and be a witness to our faith.

As a parish community, let us all welcome the newest addition to St. Andrew's family – MRIN EDEKAR. She has been very faithful in her faith journey through RCIA.

My heartfelt gratitude, together with Father Francesco, to all Parishioners and Volunteers, especially those who helped make our Lenten, and Paschal Triduum celebrations more meaningful and beautiful. Thank you for your selfless service, and dedication in serving our parish community.

I have another update to share with you. After careful consideration and consultation with my healthcare provider, it has become evident that my current health condition requires dedicated time and attention for proper treatment and recovery. In light of this, I am going on a medical leave starting April 1 until further notice depending on the progression of my health. During my absence, Father Francesco Voltaggio will be serving as the temporary administrator. Father Vicente Miguel will be helping out.

It has been a profound honor to serve as your shepherd in this parish. Your unwavering support and loving kindness have been my source of strength and inspiration. Journeying with you has enriched my own spiritual journey.

I will see you all on my 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of priestly ordination celebration on June 22. Again, thank you for your prayers and steadfast commitment to the mission of our parish. May God continue to bless each one of us. Happy Easter!

God bless you always and in all ways,

Father Joe

#### MRIN EDEKAR

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. ANDREW'S FAMILY!

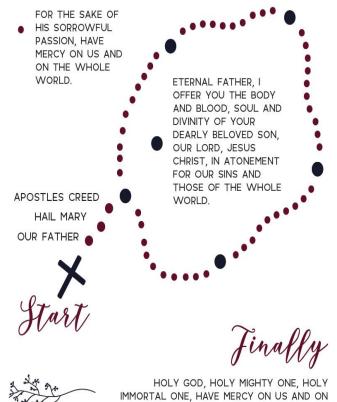


#### **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for, on each day of the Novena. He said: "The last hope of salvation for them is to flee to My Mercy."

- Day 1 (Good Friday) All Mankind, especially Sinners
- **Day 2** (Holy Saturday) Priests & Religious' Souls
- Day 3 (Easter Sunday) All Devout & Faithful Souls
- Day 4 (Easter Octave Monday) Those who do not Believe in Jesus & Those who do not yet Know Him
- **Day 5** (Easter Octave Tuesday) Souls of Separated Brethren
- Day 6 (Easter Octave Wednesday) Meek and Humble Souls and the Souls of Children
- (Easter Octave Thursday) Day 7 Souls who Venerate and Glorify Jesus' Mercy
- Day 8 (Easter Octaver Friday) Souls who are Detained in Purgatory
- **Day 9** (Easter Octave Saturday) Souls who have Become Lukewarm

# Chaplet of Divine Mercy





IMMORTAL ONE, HAVE MERCY ON US AND ON THE WHOLE WORLD. (REPEAT 3 TIMES)

READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 01-14, 2024		
Mon Apr 01		Easter Octave
8:15 am	Mt 28:8-15	Oscar Villarosa (RIP) Perlita Valmonte (Thanksgiving)
<b>Tue Apr 02</b> 6 pm	Jn 20:11-18	Easter Octave Emmanuel Fernandez (RIP) Telesford Ugay (RIP)
<b>Wed Apr 03</b> 8:15 am	Lk 24:13-35	Easter Octave  Betty Marbella (Special Intention)  Daniel Aguila (RIP)
Thurs Apr 04 8:15 am	Lk 24:35-48	Easter Octave Violet Tham(RIP) Maria & John Lo(RIP)
<b>Fri Apr 05</b> 9 am	Jn 21.1-14	Easter Octave Yoly Tarlit (Thanksgiving) Wayne Joseph Oster (RIP)
6 pm		Alicia Agnes Pagador (RIP) Alex Csori (RIP)
Sat Apr o6 9 am	Mk 16:9-15	Easter Octave William Emil Alabazo (Thanksgiving) Florita Pihoc (Special Intention)
5 pm		Maxim Bolvin (Special Intention) Wilfred Winterhoff (RIP)
<b>Sun Apr 07</b> 9 am	Jn 20:19-31	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b> Alabazo Family (Thanksgiving) Perlita Valmonte (Thanksgiving) Marino Miraflores (RIP)
11 am		Vitor Maciel (Thanksgiving) Maylo & Judy Villadolid (Thanksgiving) Victoria Osalvo (RIP) Liliana & Aldo Petrella / Anna Di Benedetto (RIP)
4 pm		Kelly Gutierrez (RIP) Jose Yap (RIP)
<b>Mon Apr o8</b> 8:15 am	Lk 1:26-38	Annunciation of the Lord  Marianne & Mariah Alabazo (RIP)  Alex Csori (RIP)
<b>Tue Apr 09</b> 6 pm	Jn 3.7b-15	Antonio Sevilla (RIP) Laurencio & Lucia Cabo (RIP)
<b>Wed Apr 10</b> 8:15 am	Jn 3:16-21	Bienvenido Valmonte (RIP) Alex Csori (RIP)
9:30 am		Nilo Galorport (RIP)
<b>Thurs Apr 11</b> 8:15 am	Lk 4:16-21	<b>St. Stanislaus</b> Luzviminda Abando <i>(RIP)</i> Rowena Cacanindin <i>(RIP)</i>
<b>Fri Apr 12</b> 9 am	Jn 6:1-15	Jaime Ladiero (RIP) Perlita Valmonte (Thanksgiving)
Sat Apr 13 9 am	Jn 16:16-21	Alex Csori (RIP) Jorge Joniega Sr. (RIP)
5 pm		Bernardo Olaybal (RIP) Natividad Lindo (RIP) Julia Villero (RIP)
<b>Sun Apr 14</b> 9 am	Lk 24:35-48	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> Magboo Family (Thanksgving)  Linafe Alarcon (RIP)  Brigida & Tomas Quilana Sr. (RIP)
11 am		Jose Yap(RIP) Daniel Aguila(RIP)
4pm		CWL Birthday Celebrants Silvestre Lacerda (RIP)

#### LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS -



ALL OF THE SICK, ESPECIALLY: Kathie Coll, Merlita Dayrit, Reynaldo & Cynthia Dela Cruz, Lorna Delos Santos, Esther Fajardo, Cindy Ferrer, Michael Hughes, Robert

Listecki, Lydia Martins, Elisa Mohammed, Kristina and Mila Moser, Linda Navalta, Ernesto Rodriguez, John Smith, Josie Taboada, Katherine Tomei, and John Topp.



ALL OUR DEARLY DEPARTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS. ETERNAL REST, GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD. AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. MAY THEY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

#### HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

For the role of women ~ We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." - Colossians 3:22

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing, "Alleluia!" Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

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# Upcoming Events in our Archdiocese

#### **ARCHBISHOP MILLER'S EASTER MESSAGE**

Visit rcav.org/announcements

#### **PRO-LIFE MASS AND PRAYER VIGIL**

Join your voice with ours as we pray on the first Saturday of each month for a new culture of life. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver, we will begin with Mass, followed by the rosary and other prayers either at a church with Adoration or at a local hospital. All are welcome!

The next Mass and vigil takes place on **April 6**, **8:30 am** at Holy Trinity Parish in North Vancouver. Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events.

#### ESTATE AND MEMORIAL PLANNING WEBINAR

This free online presentation provides general information for preparing or updating your will, learning about the beauty of the funeral rite, and formulating preneed arrangements. The event is presented by the Gardens of Gethsemani cemetery, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Next session is on Thursday, April 4, at 11 am via Zoom. Learn more and register at rccav.org/events.



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