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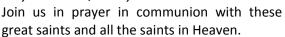
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"You will conceive in your womb and bear a son."

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Wednesday, December 27th is the *Feast of St. John, Apostle, Evangelist*

Thursday, December 28th is the Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs





A CHRISTMAS GREETING



On the feast of Christ's birth, we are reminded to reflect on God who is love. May you experience the joy, peace and love which the Christ child brings.

The priests and staff of Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary parish extend to you best wishes and prayerful greetings for a happy and Blessed Christmas.

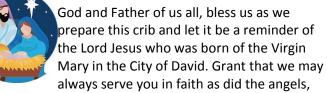
CHRISTMAS FAMILY BLESSING



Lord, We worship You during this Christmas season. You are our wonderful everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. Teach us to pray and help us to glorify and

worship You in our family during this busy time of year. Give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation that we might know You better. May our family be a refreshment and light to others. Show us truth in Your Word, and bring it to life through our prayers. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS CRIB



praise you for your saving deeds as did the shepherds, and surround you with the warmth of our love as did the animals in the stable. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen!



Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve to Sunday, December 24th

Mass at 6:00pm, 9:00pm (with incense) & 12:00 Midnight (with incense)

Christmas Day to Monday, December 25th

9:30am, 11:00am (with incense) & 12:30pm

<u>Christmas Weekday Masses</u> Tuesday, December 26th to Friday, December 29th

Daily Mass at 9:00am ONLY (Parish Office Closed)

Saturday, December 30th

Daily Mass at 9:00am (Parish Office Closed)

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday, December 30th — Mass at 5:00pm (*No Confessions & Parish Office Closed*)

Sunday, December 31st — Mass at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm

New Year's Eve to Sunday, December 31st

Mass at 5:00pm & 7:00pm

New Year's Day to Monday, January 1st Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mass at 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm (Parish Office Closed)

USE OF INCENSE AT CHRISTMAS MASSES



A courtesy message to parishioners who are sensitive to burning incense: Incense will be used at the 9:00PM and

12:00 Midnight Masses on Christmas Eve, and at the 11:00AM Mass on Christmas Day. Incense will **not** be used at the 6:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve, and the 9:30AM and 12:30PM Masses on Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS PARKING

To maintain safety, reduce parking congestion and maximize access for all who come to worship, especially during the Christmas season, **please park only in designated areas.** Parking your vehicle in non-designated areas risk being ticketed.

A limited number of handicap spots are available for those with **valid permits.**

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

December 24th to December 31st

In loving memory of Antonio Figueira.

So deeply loved, missed and eternally cherished. Requested by: Dad, Mom, your loving sister Kerry-Ann and brother-in-law Lucio.

In loving memory of Luis Figueira.

May you have eternal rest in our Lord's house. You may be gone, but never forgotten. Forever in our hearts, Dennis, Gemma, Kerry-Ann and Lucio.

Requested by: Dennis Figueira and Family.

In loving memory of Rhea Christy De Juan, who died on December 30, 2008.

Never forgotten by Rodante, Rocelli, Rochelle and Richard.

May she rest in peace

In loving memory of May Elizabeth Reyes.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Always in our hearts.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (PAG) PLAN

What is the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan?

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan to assist you in your support of the work of Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish through your regular parish offerings.

Why should you participate?

Advantages for the donor:

 Convenience. Your offering is received automatically every month.

Advantages for the Parish:

 Allows the parish to plan better through regular and dependable flow of contributions

The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners.

CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT PROMISE

Confirmation candidates who attended last weekend's Confirmation Enrolment ceremony, received their Confirmation Cross, but did not get a chance to turn in the Confirmation Enrolment Promise form, please bring it into to the Parish Office by <u>December 31st.</u>
Confirmation candidates who missed the Confirmation Enrolment ceremony, a final make-up date will be announced in the New Year. Stay tuned for further details.

2018 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

A reminder: 2018 Sunday Offering Envelopes are available for pick-up at the Welcome Desk or in the Parish Office. If you are not yet using envelopes, we encourage you to register and pick up a box before or after Mass. Envelop users are the major supporters of Annunciation Parish. We depend on your generosity. Thank You!

All donations received up to and including December 31st, 2017 will be included in your 2017 tax receipt.

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS...



The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Xavier Dimailig Brizuela, Naetochukwu Lucius Dike, Errly Joseph

Erna Frane, Jacob Wyman Isaiah, Athan Joseph Tagalakis, Cole Bradley VanDuyse, Victoria Violet VanDuyse. Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers.

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