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ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 8:00pm Friday 8:30am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Saturday 11:00am to 4:30pm

The Church is open during the following hours:

Monday to Friday 7:00am to 9:00am, 11:00am to 1:00pm

First Friday 7:00am to 1:00pm

8:00am to 10:00am, 3:30pm to 6:00pm Sunday 7:00am to 1:30pm, 6:00pm to 8:00pm

SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm, 7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday 8:00am & 12:30pm

Saturday 9:00am Public Holiday 9:00am only

FIRST FRIDAYS

Mass followed by Exposition8:00amBenediction of the Blessed Sacrament12:15pmMass12:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30am & 4:00pm

(At other times by appointment)

BAPTISMS

Parents themselves should pick up and return a completed Baptism Information Form to the parish office at least 4 months in advance of the anticipated baptismal date. An interview with a parish priest or deacon is required. Parents of children to be baptized should be registered members of our Parish Community. Attendance at a Baptism Preparation Meeting is mandatory.

MARRIAGE

Couples themselves must contact the parish office at least *one full year in advance* of the anticipated marriage date. No date may be set before meeting with a priest. A Marriage Preparation Course is required. If either party has been previously married, permission to proceed must be obtained from the Chancery Office of the Archdiocese.

CARE of the SICK Visitation and/or Communion for the sick upon request.

LEGION OF MARY - Prayer group Saturday Mornings at 10:00am.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School 416-393-5273
Annunciation School 416-393-5299
St. Isaac Jogues School 416-393-5315
Senator O'Connor College School 416-393-5505

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH, TORONTO, ONTARIO

"Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases."

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Monday, February 5th is the Memorial of St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr Tuesday, February 6th is the Memorial of St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs



Saturday, February 10th is the Memorial of St. Scholastica, Virgin

Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints and all the saints in Heaven.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Universal: Say "No" to Corruption ~ That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

FEBRUARY 4TH—5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages so that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.'" - Mark 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

PRAYER IN FAITH

"Always, when we approach the Lord to ask for something, we must start from faith and do it in faith: "I have faith that you can heal me, I believe you can do this" and have the courage to challenge, like this leper, this paralytic. Pray in faith"

- Pope Francis



CANADA SUMMER JOBS PROGRAM REACH OUT TO YOUR MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

The federal government has introduced new requirements for employers applying for the Canada Summer Jobs grant. To be eligible for funding, employers must attest that both the job and the organization's core mandate respect certain "values" as determined by the federal government including the government's position on abortion, sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. Organizations unable or unwilling to make this attestation in whole or in part will be deemed ineligible for the grant. This requirement is clearly unjust.

Many Catholic organizations throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto and many other faiths involved in charitable activity at soup kitchens, shelters, refugee welcome centres or summer camps are impacted by this decision. Please take a moment to visit www.archtoronto.org/summerjobs for more information and to find a template letter to send to your MP and the minister responsible for this portfolio.

A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE Sunday, February 11 at 3:00PM

All are welcome for the special recognition for couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ anniversaries in 2018. A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend - couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or call

416 934-3400 ext. 523. The event will take place in the Blessed Trinity Parish at 3220 Bayview Avenue, North York (just north of Finch Avenue).



"Christian joy cannot be bought. It comes from faith and from meeting Jesus Christ, who is the reason for our happiness."

"Lord, remember us, for the love you bear your people."

Source: Ordo Liturgical Calendar for Pastoral Liturgy



ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUNCIATION CONFERENCE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We visit the poor, the elderly and others in need n their homes. We meet once a month. We are called by faith to serve our community. We believe we have a responsibility to turn our concern into action.

Are you looking for a meaningful form of service? Annunciation conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking new members to help serve our neighbours in need. We need compassionate caring people who are able to commit to making home visits and meeting once a month. Administration/financial skills would be a great asset. Please call 416-657-2989. Check out the SSVP Toronto website for more information visit www.ssvptoronto.ca.

MOTHER'S GROUP MEETING Thursday, February 8th at 7:00PM

Please join us for tea and this month's discussion about tips for making prayer and reading God's word a part of your daily routine. We would love for you to join us!

ANNUNCIATION SENIORS CLUB Tuesday, February 20th at 10:00AM

There is a monthly meeting and social event on Tuesday, February 20th at 10:00AM in the parish hall. There will also be a special entertainment by The DCAT Chorus. Come listen and enjoy!

REQUESTING A REFERENCE LETTER

If you would like to have a Pastoral Reference Letter, please note: a pastoral reference letter may only be issued to parishioners of Annunciation Parish known personally to the Pastor. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor six months in advance by booking an appointment through the parish office.

REQUESTING AN UPDATED BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE

If you wish to obtain an updated Baptismal certificate, please contact the parish office during the weekdays from Monday to Friday. Please allow up to 2 to 4 business days in obtaining the requested certificate. You must provide a valid photo ID when picking up the document, before the certificate can be released to you (i.e. Driver's License, Passport, or Birth Certificate).

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Altar Server Committee

Monday, February 5th at 7:00PM in the St. Pius X Room.

FEEDING THE HUNGRY



Do you want to start the new year helping others but unsure how? Did you know that Annunciation parishioners provide nourishing, home cooked meals for the Good Shepherd Centre? If you are willing

to make a frozen casserole dish, please contact the parish office. We will provide aluminum pans and recipes to follow. Just deliver your frozen dish to the parish office and we will store it until pick-up.

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

If you are a new parishioner of Annunciation Parish we offer you a warm welcome. Please take the time to register and receive your personal box of Sunday Offering Envelopes. You can register by visiting the parish office during normal business hours. We're glad you're here!



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

February 4th to February 10th

Five years ago, our loving devoted husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather *Chang Mun* left this earth to meet his great God in the hereafter. We will miss him a lot and not a day will go by without saying his name everyday.

Love you always, Eileen (your loving wife), Raymond, Lorna, Mary, Anthony, Peter (children), Amy, Jason, David, Sui-Ling, Mei-Ling, Quinn, Kimberly, Chelsea, Amarise, Aaron and Farah (grandchildren), Kyle, Brayden, Anya, Sofia, Kei-Lei (great grandchildren).

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