

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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prepare the way...

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,
TORONTO, ONTARIO

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

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Saturday, December 26th is the *Feast of St. Stephen, the first martyr.*



"Advent is a continuous call to hope: it reminds us that God is present in history to lead it to its ultimate goal and to its fullness, which is the Lord Jesus Christ."

-Pope Francis (@Pontifex)



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

December 20—December 26

In loving memory of **Antonio Figueira**.
So deeply loved, missed and eternally cherished.
Requested by dad, mom, your loving sister Kerry Ann and your brother in law, Lucio.

In loving memory of our mother, **Zachia Morales**
Will deeply missed and eternally cherished.
Requested by your children Jimmy, Gemma (Dennis), Budwin, Robert, Sally and your grandchildren.

In loving memory of **Louis 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 **Angela O'Connor**.
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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The 4th Candle (Purple)

The Angel Candle or The Candle of Love



The angels announced the good news of a Savior. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us!

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." (John 3:16-17)

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS ONLINE



If the lockdown continues during Christmas week, Annunciation Parish will record Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Masses online. Join us by visiting the parish website at www.bvmtoronto.com

PARISH OFFICE



The Parish office will be closed from December 24, 2020 until January 3, 2021 (In case of emergency, please call the office). Envelope pick-up won't be available during this time.

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The 2021 Sunday Offering Envelopes are now available. If you wish to pick-up your envelope box or you prefer it to be mailed, please contact the parish office at 416-445-1760 or at parish@bvmtoronto.com

IS YOUR OFFERTORY ENVELOPE NUMBER 1800 AND ABOVE?

This year due to reorganization, a small group of parishioners, whose envelope number is 1800 and above, will be assigned a new number for 2021. Please contact the parish office and we will give you a new envelope box.

HAVE YOU MOVED?



If you have moved, please inform the parish Office of your new contact information by email at parish@bvmtoronto.com
It is important that the parish have your current information for donation receipt purposes, as well to ensure our database is up-to-date.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Pastoral Team of Annunciation Parish:
Fr. Jude Coyle, Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan,
Fr. Xavier Raj Sam Michael and the entire

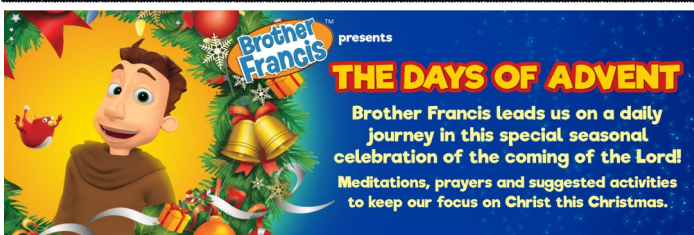
parish staff, extend to you best wishes and prayerful greetings for a happy and Blessed Christmas.

BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS CRIB



God and Father of us all, bless us as we prepare this crib and let it be a reminder of the Lord Jesus who was born of the Virgin Mary in the City of David. Grant that we may always serve you in faith as did the

angels, 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!



The families of our parish are invited to prepare for Christmas with Brother Francis Days of Advent video reflections, which are to be found on our community page on formed.org. There is a short video reflection for each day of Advent. If you already register with the site, just simply sign in with your email.

- Type in www.formed.org on your browser.
- Sign up as "I belong to a parish or organization"
- Find your parish—type in: Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, 3 Combermere Drive, Toronto.
- Once you find our parish name, click and next. You will be prompted to the next page to create a new account. Enter your name and email address.
- You will receive an email verification. Follow the link in the email, then you may begin to browse the site.

PRE-AUTHORIZE GIVING PLAN (PAG)

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of the parish through your regular parish offerings.

The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners. In response to the pandemic, changing lifestyles and demands on time and energy, the Archdiocese of Toronto seeks, through the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan to assist you in your giving.

Advantages for the donor:

- Convenience. Your offering is received automatically every month.
- Continual support of your parish when you are away.

Advantages for the Parish:

- Allows the parish to plan better through regular and dependable flow of contributions.
- Reduction of paperwork and bookkeeping.

If you wish to contribute through the Pre-Authorize Giving Plan (PAG), please contact the parish office at parish@bvmtoronto.com

WHAT DOES THE GOSPEL TEACH ABOUT THE MYSTERIES OF THE BIRTH AND INFANCY OF JESUS?



At *Christmas* the glory of heaven is shown forth in the weakness of a baby; the *circumcision* of Jesus is a sign of his belonging to the Hebrew people and is a prefiguration of our Baptism; the *Epiphany* is the manifestation of the Messiah King of Israel to all the nations; at the *presentation in the temple*, Simeon and Anna symbolize all the anticipation of Israel awaiting its encounter with its Saviour; the *flight into Egypt* and the massacre of the innocents proclaim that the entire life of Christ will be under the sign of persecution; the *departure from Egypt* recalls the exodus and presents Jesus as the new Moses and the true and definitive liberator.



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