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ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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Feast of the Holy Family

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"His parents found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers."



PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

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

Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints at the 9:00AM Masses on weekdays, and 9:00AM Mass on Saturday.

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!



CHRISTMAS FAMILY BLESSING

God of light and hope, look upon us in love and fill us with the Spirit of Jesus that we may love you and serve you in your kingdom.

Protect us during this week and keep us watchful in prayer as we await the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the light of the world, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen!

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Pope Francis has launched the Synod on Synodality: a two-year global process of listening to the faithful that will help the Church reflect on how we can do God's will in the world today. This synod is of great importance to the Holy Father and the universal church. It cannot succeed without the participation of the entire people of God.

Please go online and give your input to the Synod Survey which can be found at www.archtoronto.org/synodality



WITH MANY THANKS!

We would like to graciously thank all those who helped make our Christmas celebrations so beautiful: Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors, Cantors and Musicians, Ushers, Parish Staff, Maintenance Staff, and so many others. May God bless you all for your generosity and dedication!



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

December 25 —December 31

Our lamp(s) are lit:

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.

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.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas and New Year's Mass & Registration Schedule

Spaces are limited and booking a seat online at the parish website is necessary.

WALK-INS WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE AT CHRISTMAS AND FOLLOWING

ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE BOOKED A SEAT IN ADVANCE MAY ATTEND

Registration for Christmas Masses opens on Monday, December 20th at 10AM

Christmas Weekday Masses Monday, December 27th until Thursday, December 30th Daily Mass at 9:00am ONLY

Registration for the Masses below opens on Thursday, December 23rd at 10AM

New Year's Eve—Friday, December 31st
Mass at 5:00pm and 7:00pm

New Year's Day—Saturday, January 1st, 2022 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mass at 10:00am and 12:00pm $\,$

Sunday, January 2nd, 2022— Mass at 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

Monday, January 3rd, 2022— Mass at 9:00am ONLY



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Parish office will be closed from December 24, 2021 until January 3, 2022

MASS REGISTRATION

We thank you for registering for Sunday Mass. If you are unable to attend the Mass, please cancel your registration online, this allow other parishioner to register and attend the Mass. Instructions to cancel is available in the parish website or the parish office can also help with cancellation during office hours.

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- Type in <u>www.formed.org</u> 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 next. You will be prompted to the next page to create an 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.

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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 *qight 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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