ANNUNCIATION OFTHE BLESSED **VIRGIN MARY** PARISH

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# PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday-Friday Saturday, Sunday, Public Holiday

# Parish Staff:

Clarissa Adityani Brenda Parenteau

10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-8:00pm 10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm Closed 10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm Closed

# The Church opens 35 minutes before each Mass

SUNDAY MASSES Saturday Sunday

Vigil 5:00pm 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon, 7:00pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday Saturday Public Holiday

8:00am & 12:30pm 9:00am 9:00am only

FIRST FRIDAYS Mass followed by Exposition Mass

8:00am 12:30pm

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

9:30AM (at other times by appointment)

# BAPTISMS

Saturday

Parents themselves should pick up and return a completed Baptism Information Form to the parish office at least 6 months in advance of the anticipated baptismal date. An interview with a parish priest is required. Parents of children to be baptized should be registered members of our Parish Community. Attendance at an online Baptismal 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.

# 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

"The tax collector and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of heaven ahead of you."

# PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



**Monday, October 2nd** is the Memorial of the Holy Guardians Angels

**Wednesday, October 4th** is the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi

**Saturday, October 7th** is the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints at the 8:00AM and 12:30PM Masses on weekdays, and 9:00AM Mass on Saturday.

### INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION SPECIAL COLLECTION September 30/ October 1

As part of our ongoing efforts towards healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country.

The Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. To date, the fund has raised close to 40 percent of the \$30 million target as pledged by the Canadian bishops. The archdiocese will contribute \$6 million towards the national pledge. The collection on September 30/October 1 provides an opportunity for the faithful to contribute to this important initiative. For more information or to donate online please visit: *www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation*. Thank you for your generosity!



It is fitting for God's people to offer public thanks for all the gifts we have received. The bountiful produce of the earth is a visible sign of the many blessings God wants to shower on us through Christ. Our God also wants us to share the goods of the earth with all people.

**Monday, October 9th** is Thanksgiving Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM only. The parish office will be closed.

# THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

For the Synod  $\sim$  We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

# FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS



Friday, October 6th is the First Friday of the month. Masses will be celebrated at 8:00AM and 12:30PM.

The church will be open all morning for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and personal prayer. Our period of adoration ends with Benediction at 12:15PM in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Come and spend time in the presence of the Lord.

# Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Have Mercy on us!

# MOROCCO AND LIBYA HUMANITARIAN RELIEF

Two natural disasters have recently struck the region of North Africa with a devastating earthquake in Morocco followed by severe flooding in Libya caused by Storm Daniel.

# Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>
- By phone through the Development Office 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Annunciation Parish – Morocco Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief

**Humanitarian aid for Libya** - Currently, our Catholic partners are not present in Libya to coordinate relief efforts and as such we are unable to accept donations to aid those affected. For those wishing to offer support to the people of Libya, please consider a gift through the Canadian Red Cross in the following ways:

- Online through the Red Cross website <u>www.redcross.ca</u>
- By phone through the Red Cross 1-800-418-1111

Please continue to pray for those who have died, for those who are missing or displaced because of these tragic disasters in both Morocco and Libya and for all who are working hard to provide relief and rescue in both locations.



# **ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO** THE ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE HEAD COUNT October 14/15 and October 21/22

This year, parishes are asked to conduct a parishioner attendance count on the weekends of October 14/15 and October 21/22. The count includes all Sunday Vigil and Sunday Masses, and Holy Communion visits to house bound parishioners or those in retirement or care facilities.

# **RCIA**



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a Program to prepare Adults to become Catholic. If you, a member of your family or a friend are thinking about becoming a Catholic, please contact the parish office and walk

the journey of faith with us. We meet weekly beginning this Fall.

## ANNUNCIATION CHORAL MINISTRY

The Choral Ministry is delighted to have the choirs begin after the summer break! Our goal is to encourage singers to engage in singing, develop their musical and leadership skills, and grow their faith and relationship with God through their pieces.

- The Children's Choir is open for Grades 2 10 or • ages 7-17 and rehearses on Sundays at 9:00am.
- The General Choir is open for ages 18 and up. They rehearse on Sundays at 11:00am and sing at the 12:00pm Mass.

New Choir Members are always welcomed! If you are interested, please visit the parish office to fill out a form or use the links below.

Children's Choir Form: https://form.jotform.com/232205583750251

General Choir Form: https://form.jotform.com/232264202067245

# NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS

The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Gabriel Augustin, Arcangelo Labricciossa, and Oliver Pasquale. Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION **INFORMATION & REGISTRATION MEETING** Thursday, October 12th at 7:30 PM

The journey of preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for the Grade 2's who families belong to Annunciation Parish begins with a Parents' Information & Registration meeting at the Parish on Thursday, October 12th at 7:30 PM.

If you are a member of Annunciation Parish and wish your child to make their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the Spring of 2024, you are to attend this mandatory meeting and register them.

Please bring a completed Registration Form and a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate to this meeting. Registration forms may be obtained from the parish office.

If Annunciation is not your parish of worship, please contact your parish as soon as possible to register your child so that they may prepare for and make their First Confession and First Holy Communion.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION **INFORMATION & REGISTRATION MEETING** Tuesday, October 10th at 7:30 PM

In the spring of 2024, students of Grade 7 will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation takes place in your own parish, the parish where they and their family belongs and regularly attends Mass. If Annunciation is not your parish, please contact your own parish for this Sacrament.

Grade 7 students whose families belong to Annunciation Parish must attend the Mandatory Information & Registration Meeting with their parents on Tuesday, October 10th at 7:30 PM if they wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Spring of 2024.

Please bring a copy of your Baptismal Certificate and a completed Registration Form with you as these forms will be accepted only at this meeting. Registration forms are available for pickup at the parish office.



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