

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday	10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-8:00pm
Tuesday	10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday-Friday	10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Saturday, Sunday, Public Holiday	Closed

The Church opens 35 minutes before each Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday	8:00am & 12:30pm
Saturday	9:00am
Public Holiday	9:00am only

FIRST FRIDAYS

Mass followed by Exposition	8:00am
Mass	12:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	9:30AM
(at other times by appointment)	

BAPTISMS

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

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"The disciples of John came and saw where Jesus was staying, and they remained with him."



PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Wednesday, January 17th is the Memorial of St. Anthony, Abbot

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.

ORDINARY TIMES



During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offers praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. On the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise, and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions.

Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from the apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's resurrection. Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the risen Lord.

HAVE YOU MOVED?



If you have moved, please inform the parish office of your new contact information either by phone, email or drop by the parish office and fill out a Change in Address form.

It is important that the parish have your current information for donation receipt purposes, as well to ensure our database is up-to-date.

"This holy Mass, this Eucharist is clearly an act of faith. Our Christians faith shows us that in this moment contention is changed into the body of the Lord who offers himself for the redemption of the world. In the chalice, the wine is transformed into the blood that was the price of salvation.

This body broken and this blood shed for human beings encourage us to give our body and blood up to suffering and pain, as Christ did—not for self, but to bring justice and peace to our people."

—St. Oscar Romero

WEEK of
PRAYER
for CHRISTIAN UNITY



PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN UNITY January 18th-25th

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18-25, which are also the dates recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. However, there has also been a long-standing practice by a number of communities to celebrate the Week of Prayer on optional dates. This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other communities activities, and to pray together that all may be one as Christ desires. The importance of unity among Christians and the responsibility of the people of each parish to work for this unity should be emphasized throughout the week. All members of the parish should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism.

Source: CCCB

FRIARS STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2024 November 8th, 2023, to January 15th, 2024

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27) High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Students are to consult the resources at <https://rb.gy/wajo9> to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster <https://bit.ly/3G014zT> and submit their entries at <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>. Contact: ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 (Ext. 527) for more information or questions.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION SESSIONS BEGIN

A reminder to registered Confirmation candidates: Confirmation Sessions will begin next week.



1st Confirmation Session:

Monday, January 15th and Wednesday,
January 17th at 7:00PM-9:15PM

All sessions will take place in the Parish Hall.
Please attend only on the day you have chosen.

CONFIRMATION MINISTRY POSITIONS

A reminder to Confirmation Candidates that weekly attendance at your chosen Mass and ministry is a **mandatory** part of the preparation to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.

Please contact the bvmconfirmation@gmail.com or the parish office with any questions.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING

As parents are the first teachers of their children in matters of faith, the parents of children making their First Holy Communion in Annunciation Parish are expected to attend the three mandatory preparatory meetings.

A reminder for parents whose child is registered for this year's sacrament, the first preparatory meeting to be held in Parish Hall on **Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00PM.**

ANNUNCIATION SENIORS CLUB Tuesday, January 16th

Annunciation Seniors Club will be starting off the New Year with a presentation by police officer, Joel Roberts on a topic of "A Variety of Scams Directed to Seniors." Unfortunately, this is an ongoing concern for all seniors. We strongly encourage you come and learn about these various scams. The meeting is on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 in the Parish Hall. New members are always welcome. Membership fee is \$20.00 for the year. Looking forward to seeing you!



"One word in particular resounds in the two principal Christian feasts. That word is 'peace'. Peace is primarily a gift of God, but it is also a responsibility incumbent upon all of us."

— Pope Francis @Pontifex

UNCLAIMED 2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



There are still a number of unclaimed 2024 Sunday Envelope boxes in the parish office. If yours is among them, please contact the parish office or the staff after the Mass.

Thank you for your continuing support!

If you are not an envelope user and wish to have your own box, please contact the parish office by phone or email.



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

January 14—January 20

In loving memory of

Antonio Figueira

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Kerry-Ann and your brother-in-law Lucio

In loving memory of

James Morales

Will be deeply missed and eternally cherished.

Requested by Gemma (Dennis), Budwin, Robert,

Sally, nieces, nephew and Lucio

In loving memory of my father,

Christopher Blue

It's been 19 long years waiting for the truth and

justice in your death. I'm still fighting for the truth

and justice while you continue to rest in

perpetual light with Jesus.

Love you, Miss you.

Your daughter, Lorraine Blue

In loving memory of our dear mother,

Josefa Torio Bibat

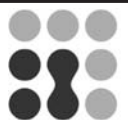
Who passed away into God's heavenly kingdom

on January 18, 2023. May she rest in peace.

Requested by Zenaida, Erlinda, Imelda, Wilfredo,

Amado, and Orlando Bibat & Family





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