ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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Parish Priests:

Fr. Jude Coyle

Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday-Tuesday

Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday, Sunday, Public Holiday Parish Staff:

Clarissa Adityani Brenda Parenteau

Brenda Parentea

10:00am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 4:00pm Office Closed 10:00am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 8:00pm 10:00am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 4:00pm Office Closed

The Church opens 50 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 Exposition8:00amBenediction of the Blessed Sacrament12:15PMMass12:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

| Saturday | 9:30AM |
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| | (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 a 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.

PARISH SCHOOLS

| Our Lady of Wisdom School | 416-393-5273 |
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| 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

"Your redemption is drawing near."

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



Tuesday, December 3rd is the Memorial of St. Francis de Xavier, Priest

Saturday, December 7th is the Memorial of St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor

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.

SEASON OF ADVENT



Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation.

During Advent, each Sunday's Gospel reading has a specific focus. The Old Testament readings, especially those taken from Isaiah, are prophecies about the Messiah and messianic times. The selections from the writings of the Apostles present exhortations and instructions on different themes of this season.

SUNDAY MISSAL



The 2025 Sunday Missal is now available to purchase at the CWL Religious Article Booth on Sunday from 8:30AM-12:30PM or from the parish office during office hours. The cost is \$5.00 each.

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.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

For pilgrims of hope ~ Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in oue faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christians hope.

FRIARS STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2025

November 11th, 2024 - January 13rd, 2025 Theme: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)

High school students aged 13 to 19 from the Catholic School Boards in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event, which honours the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity taking place from January 18th to 25th.

Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2025 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions.

Students are encouraged to explore the resources at <u>https://bit.ly/3zOVHly</u> to gain insight into the meaning and purpose of the theme. They should also refer to the focus question available on the poster at <u>https://bit.ly/3XCGGgo</u>. Entries are to be submitted at <u>https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward</u>.

For more information and any question: Email: <u>ecumenical@archtoronto.org</u> Call: 416-934-3400 ext. 527



ShareLife-funded agencies turn no one away

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From November 1st until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

Did you know no one is turned away from ShareLifefunded agencies due to inability to pay? This is all thanks to your compassionate and generous heart. Through your support, ShareLife agencies are helping the most vulnerable in our community and around the world. Thank you for living the Gospel!

Our suggested goal is \$95,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

To date our parish has raised: <u>\$72,887.25</u> Thank you for your support to ShareLife!



ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION

November 30th/December 1st



The Annual Christmas Flower Collection will be taken this weekend, November 30th and December 1st. We thank you for your generosity.

PASTORAL VISIT OF THE BISHOP TO OUR PARISH THIS WEEKEND

November 30th—Monday, December 2nd

Bishop Vincent Nguyen, the bishop with responsibility for the Eastern Pastoral Region of the Archdiocese, will visit our parish from Saturday, November 30th to Monday, December 2nd.

Bishop Nguyen will preach at all Sunday obligation masses and meet with parishioners after each mass. On Saturday, he will have meetings with Screening, the Financial Council, and the Pastoral Council. On Monday, he will visit the three elementary schools of our parish.

FOOD DRIVE ANNOUNCEMENT December 14th/15th



The Altar Server Ministry will be hosting a Food Drive on December 14th/15th. Please bring your non-perishable food items to the foyer before or after all Masses that weekend. On behalf of the Good Shepherd Ministries, thank you for your generous support!

Urgently needed items: Note: <u>Please no fresh or frozen foods</u>

| Canned Fish | Теа | Canned Meat |
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| Ground & Instant Coffee | Cookies and crackers | Canned Vegetables |
| Canned Soups / Stews | Pasta and Sauces | Rice |
| Peanut Butter | Jam | Sugar |
| Pancake Mix | Oatmeal | Canned Fruits |



CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT CEREMONY December 7th/8th

The Confirmation Enrolment Ceremony will take place on December 7th/8th at the 5:00PM Saturday Mass, 10:00AM, 12:00PM and 7:00PM Sunday Masses. <u>Please remember to bring your Enrolment Promise and Enrolment Ceremony Booklet with you.</u> *(found in the package given on registration night).*

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently: **Manuel Bravo**

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS



The following child was recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Eve Sita Jo-Ann Tadros

Please keep this child and the parents in your prayers.



CWL BAKE SALE December 7th/8th

The CWL will be hosting a Christmas Bake Sale on December 7th and 8th. Please bring your donations to the Parish Hall Kitchen on Saturday, December 7th between 10:00AM and 1:00PM. This will leave us enough time to wrap and price the delicious donations.

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

December 7th/8th and December 14th/15th



The 2025 Sunday Offering Envelopes will be available for pick-up in the Parish Hall after the Mass next weekend, December 7th/8th.

If you are not yet using envelopes, we encourage you to register and pick up a box after Mass. Envelope users are the major supporters of Annunciation Parish. We depend on your generosity. Thank you! Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #4 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422

