

# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

3 Combermere Drive, Toronto, Ontario, M3A 2W4

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday,  
Tuesday, Thursday,  
& Friday:  
10:00 AM—12:00 PM,  
1:00 PM—4:00 PM

Wednesday:  
Office Closed

Saturday, Sunday,  
Public Holiday:  
Office Closed

## NEW TO OUR COMMUNITY?

Welcome, we're happy to have you!  
To register or get involved, please contact the Parish Office or visit the Welcome Desk in the Foyer after the weekend Masses.

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,  
12:00 PM, & 7:00 PM

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM  
Public Holiday 9:00 AM only

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mondays, Wednesdays,  
and Fridays (except holidays) 8:30 AM - 12:15 PM  
Benediction 12:15 PM

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Fridays 11:30 AM  
Saturday 9:30 AM & 4:00 PM  
(or by appointment)

## ROSARY

Join us for the Rosary Monday to Friday at 7:30 AM  
in the Family Room. 8:00 AM Weekday Mass to follow.

## St. Vincent de Paul Help Line

Please leave a voicemail at 647-499-5594, and someone  
will call you back.

## BAPTISMS

Parents themselves should pick up and return a completed  
Baptism Registration Form to the Parish Office at least 6  
months in advance of the anticipated baptismal date. An  
interview with a priest is required. Parents of children to  
be baptized should be registered members of our Parish.  
Attendance at a Baptismal Preparation Meeting is manda-  
tory.

## MARRIAGE

Couple 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.  
Completion of a Marriage Preparation Course is required.  
If either party has been previously married, permission to  
proceed must be obtained from the Chancery of the Arch-  
diocese.


## CARE of the SICK and HOMEBOUND

Visitation and/or Communion for the sick and/or home-  
bound is available upon request.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Isaac Jogues School	416-393-5315
Annunciation School	416-393-5299
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Senator O'Connor College School	416-393-5505

## CONTACT US!

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**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, May 9th**

5:00 pm: † Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Sunday, May 10th—Sixth Sunday of Easter**

8:00 am: † Greg Newman

10:00 am: † Estelle Farnum

12:00 pm: People of the Parish

7:00 pm: † Rufina Canlas

**Monday, May 11th**

8:00 am: Intentions of Jones Royer

12:30 pm: † Lisa Round

**Tuesday, May 12th**

8:00 am: † Edel Quinn, Venerable

12:30 pm: † William James Craig

**Wednesday, May 13th**

8:00 am: † Thoulouis Family

12:30 pm: † Jeffrey Jose

**Thursday, May 14th—St. Matthias**

8:00 am: Intentions of Robert Royer

12:30 pm: † Alejo M. Valdez

**Friday, May 15th**

8:00 am: Donor's Intentions

12:30 pm: † Mary Joyce Li Yan

**Saturday, May 16th**

9:00 am: Donor's Intentions

5:00 pm: † Catarina Fernandes

**Sunday, May 17th—The Ascension of the Lord**

8:00 am: † Zachia Morales

10:00 am: Intentions of Gloria Tam

12:00 pm: † Bevan Weldon

7:00 pm: People of the Parish

**POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION**

*May 16/17, 2026*

Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. One-third of the funds collected is for what is traditionally known as Peter's Pence: donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need throughout the world, as well as for the support of the Holy See and its activities. Two-thirds of the Collection is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church.

The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity.



**A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS**

We pray for mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; may they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.

We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; may they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.

We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; may they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.



**Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions**

May 9– May 15



In loving memory of **Helen Menezes**. Always remembered with love and prayers for her kindness and willing support by grateful friends and family (sons, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, spouses and siblings)

Requested by Anne and family

For **Jose Rosito Espinoza**.

Prayers for a fast recovery.

Requested by his family

In loving memory of **Greg Newman**.

Although you are no longer with us, you will always be remembered and never forgotten. You are deeply missed by your friends and everyone who knew you. Thinking of you and wishing you a beautiful birthday in heaven with your family.

In loving memory of **Margaret & Ashton Rydberg**.

Requested by Billy & Juana

**MONTH OF THE MARY**



The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary, came about in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Some say because it was created to replace various pagan cults. The actual reason is the fact that this month is the time when spring is at the height of its beauty. Spring is also connected with nature renewing itself. In her way, Mary gave new life to the world when she gave birth to our saviour Jesus Christ.

For the month of May, we will be reciting the rosary in the church **30 minutes before all Weekend Masses**. Signups to lead the rosary are available at the welcome desk. We hope you will join us!

**SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

*Reflection leading up to Pentecost*

**When:** Wednesdays April 29-May 20, from 7-8:30pm

**Where:** Parish Hall

**Cost:** Free, just bring a note pad and pencil

**Presenter:** Sister Joan Lewis c.n.d.



Come reflect with us! "The gifts we receive from the Holy Spirit are not for private purpose; rather, they are for the good of the world at large."

**TOTUS TUUS CAMP REGISTRATION OPEN!**

We are thrilled to host Totus Tuus and the Missionaries from July 19-24, 2026, and provide a faith filled summer experience for our youth! The theme this year is the Ten Commandments.



Day Program (\$100/child)

Grades 1-6, Monday to Friday from 9am-2:30pm.

Evening Program (\$50/child)

Grades 6-12, Sunday to Thursday from 6-9pm.



Payment is accepted at the welcome desk during weekend Masses, or through the parish office/ office mailbox. Cash or cheque only.

**CANADA HEALTH DAY**

*May 12, 2026*

Canada Health Day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the country. This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health: to prevent illness and to seek a healthy lifestyle. Good health concerns the physical, emotions, social and spiritual health of our communities, respect for God's creatures and the nurturing of the whole earth.



**Through ShareLife, you are the light in someone's darkest moment**

Sarah arrived at the doors of one of the Catholic Family Services agencies you support through ShareLife on a desperate afternoon with her baby cradled tightly against her chest. Fleeing an abusive home, she had nothing but the clothes on her back and a fragile hope that someone might help. Because of your generous spirit, Sarah and her baby found the safety they so desperately needed when shelters were overwhelmed.

Your kindness provided the essentials to care for her baby, the counselling to begin healing, and the support to rebuild their lives. Now she and her baby are safe, cared for, and starting to look toward a brighter future. Yet, domestic violence is on the rise and countless others like Sarah are still in need. Your compassion has the power to change many more lives. It is because of people like you that their stories do not end in fear but begin again with love.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate). **Our parish goal is \$96,000 and our total to date is \$33,166.10.**

**HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS**

May 16/17, 2026



On the weekend of May 16/17, we welcome Sebastien Cardinal representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the Masses will be in the foyer representing the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and will have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every Mass.

Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. May God Bless you for your generosity, for you help and for your prayers." Cash, debit, credit cards and cheque will be accepted. You can visit and support them at [www.HolylandChristians.ca](http://www.HolylandChristians.ca)

**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: **Robert Gardiner**

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