# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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## SUNDAY MASSES:

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Sunday liturgy) 8:30 a.m. English Mass 9:30 a.m. Sung English Mass

11:30 a.m. Sung Latin Mass (Usus antiquior/1962 Missal)

# **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Before every Mass on Sundays Daily for 15 minutes before all Masses.

# WEEKDAY MASS:

8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. Saturday

# **MARRIAGES:**

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

**BAPTISMS:** On Sundays by appointment.

# PARISH CHOIR DIRECTOR:

Mr. Philip Fournier: 416-538-5893

# **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:**

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-9944

#### MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

9:30 SUNG ENGLISH MASS 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent Opening Hymn: 361 O Cross of Christ Kyrie: 205 Creed: *more ambrosiano* Offertory Hymn: 364 Lord Jesus Think on Me Sanctus: 208 Agnus: 209 Closing Hymn: 538 Ave Regina Caelorum

# 11:30 USUS ANTIQUIOR, SOLEMN HIGH MASS

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent Asperges me, Domine Introit Reminiscere Kyrie 3 Deus Sempiterne Gradual Tribulationes Tract Confitemini Credo 5 Offertory Meditabor Circumdederunt me Sanctus 17 Agnus 17 Communion Intellige clamorem Resp. Emendemus in Melius Ave Regina Caelorum

#### PARISH FINANCES MARCH 12/13

Regular Collection	\$3410
Maintenance & Debt	\$120

Thank you very much for your generous support.

#### **NEW FLOOR**

Please be patient as our new floor is being installed. We will eventually paint the gray wood under the pews. If you would like to volunteer for this task, please contact the rectory.

#### THANKS!

Thanks to all who participated in the Parish Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 6. To the cooks, cleaners, set up and take down people, a special thanks. Good Lent to all from the Social Committee.

> Vespers and Benediction Sundays at 5:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church, 1372 King Street West

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 21 8:00 Brendan Brown, req. David and Claudia Brown

**TUESDAY, MARCH 22** 8:00 (+) Mary & Anthony Brunka, req. by Michael Brunka

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23 8:00 Fr. Marian Sobolewski, req. by Eric & Pat Robb

**THURSDAY, MARCH 24** 8:00 A Special Intention, req. by Aniela Kuncaitis

FRIDAY, MARCH 25 Annunciation of the Lord (A Solemnity, hence not a day of abstinence) 8:00 (+) Joan Mendonca, req. by Edith Maruri

## SATURDAY, MARCH 26

10:00 (+) Relatives and friends of parishioners 5:00 (+) Leokadia Kisielewski, req. by Sherlock Family

#### JESUS CHRIST: REVELATION OF THE UNKNOWN GOD

This is a collection of essays that Fr. Robinson wrote for the Catholic Register in the early 1980s. The book was originally published as the Unknown God. The demand to put this book back in print is an encouraging sign that the wisdom in its pages still speaks to the minds and hearts of the faithful who are trying to live out their Christianity and to spread it in an increasingly secular and hostile world. Get your copy at the bookstall, for the special introductory price of \$20 until the end of March.

#### **CAMPAIGN LIFE: COINS FOR LIFE**

Did you know that there have been over 3 million recorded abortions in Canada since 1969? Last year alone, over 100,000 innocent lives were aborted. We need your help. Over the next 4-6 weeks, we encourage everyone to fill a *Coins for Life* box with loose change. These boxes will be available at the bookstall throughout Lent and the coins will be collected before Easter. The proceeds will help fund many CLC initiatives such as the National March for Life, LifeChain, and 40 Days For Life. Make *Coins for Life* a family project, share it with your friends, at school or at work. Your small change can lead to a BIG change in Canada. Above all, please remember to pray for the unborn, and for those who have been affected by abortion. For more information please visit www.coinsforlife.org or call 416-204-9749.

#### WORLDWIDE FERTILITYCARE WEEK

Celebrate with the Marguerite Bourgeoys Family Centre, March 23, 2011, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm, at the S. Walter Stewart Library, 170 Memorial Park Ave., Toronto. "All

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Star" couples share their journey with Creighton Model and NaproTECHNOLOGY. Bring a friend! Call 416-465-2868 for more information.

# HOLY NAME OF MARY COLLEGE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Holy Name of Mary College School, a university preparatory private Catholic school for girls (Gr. 5-12) is having an Open House on **April 9<sup>th</sup>, from 10am – 2pm**. Talk to current students, faculty members, school administrators and parents and get a sense of student life at HNMCS. For more information please visit www.InspireYourDaughter.com or call 905-891-1890.

#### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin beginning April 8, 2011. The advertisements make our bulletin possible. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.



#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION

Every Friday in Lent at 8:00 p.m.

If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.



## FROM ABRAHAM TO MARY: A Reflection on the Annunciation

~ exerpted from a homily of John Paul II at Nazareth, March 25, 2000

Our Jubilee Pilgrimage has been a journey in spirit, which began in the footsteps of Abraham, "our father in faith". That journey has brought us today to Nazareth, where we meet Mary, the truest daughter of Abraham. It is Mary above all others who can teach us what it means to live the faith of "our father". In many ways, Mary is clearly different from Abraham; but in deeper ways "the friend of God" and the young woman of Nazareth are very alike.

Both receive a wonderful promise from God. Abraham was to be the father of a son, from whom there would come a great nation. Mary is to be the Mother of a Son who would be the Messiah, the Anointed One. "Listen!" Gabriel says, " You are to conceive and bear a son. . . The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. . . and his reign will have no end" (*Lk* 1:31-33).

For both Abraham and Mary, the divine promise comes as something completely unexpected. God disrupts the daily course of their lives, overturning its settled rhythms and conventional expectations. For both Abraham and Mary, the promise seems impossible. Abraham's wife Sarah was barren, and Mary is not yet married: "How can this come about", she asks, "since I am a virgin?" (*Lk* 1:34).

Like Abraham, Mary is asked to say yes to something that has never happened before. Sarah is the first in the line of barren wives in the Bible who conceive by God's power, just as Elizabeth will be the last. Gabriel speaks of Elizabeth to reassure Mary: "Know this too: your kinswoman Elizabeth has, in her old age, herself conceived a son" (Lk 1:36).

Like Abraham, Mary must walk through darkness, in which she must simply trust the One who called her. Yet even her question, "How can this come about?", suggests that Mary is ready to say yes, despite her fears and uncertainties. Mary asks not whether the promise is possible, but only how it will be fulfilled. It comes as no surprise, therefore, when finally she utters her *fiat*: "I am the handmaid of the Lord. Let what you have said be done to me" (Lk 1:38). With these words, Mary shows herself the true daughter of Abraham, and she becomes the Mother of Christ and Mother of all believers.

#### PRAYER TO JESUS CHRIST CRUCIFIED

The faithful who, after receiving Communion, recite this prayer before a picture of Christ Crucified may gain a plenary indulgence on any Friday in Lent and a partial indulgence on other days of the year, with the addition of prayers for the Holy Father's intention.

> My good and dear Jesus, I kneel before You, asking You most earnestly to engrave upon my heart a deep and lively faith, hope, and charity, with true repentance for my sins, and a firm resolve to make amends. As I reflect upon Your five wounds, and dwell upon them with deep compassion and grief, I recall, good Jesus, the words the Prophet David spoke long ago concerning Yourself: 'They pierced My hands and My feet; they have counted all My bones.'

