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# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 8:00pm Friday 8:30am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Saturday 11:00am to 4:30pm

#### The Church is open during the following hours:

Monday to Friday 7:00am to 9:00am, 11:00am to 1:00pm

First Friday 7:00am to 1:00pm

8:00am to 10:00am, 3:30pm to 6:00pm Sunday 7:00am to 1:30pm, 6:00pm to 8:00pm

#### **SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES**

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm, 7:00pm

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday 8:00am & 12:30pm

Saturday 9:00am Public Holiday 9:00am only

#### FIRST FRIDAYS

Mass followed by Exposition8:00amBenediction of the Blessed Sacrament12:15pmMass12:30pm

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30am & 4:00pm

(At other times by appointment)

#### **BAPTISMS**

Parents themselves should pick up and return a completed Baptism Information Form to the parish office at least 4 months in advance of the anticipated baptismal date. An interview with a parish priest or deacon is required. Parents of children to be baptized should be registered members of our Parish Community. Attendance at a Baptism 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.

**LEGION OF MARY - Prayer group** Saturday Mornings at 10:00am.

**SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL** Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

#### **PARISH SCHOOLS**

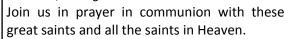
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#### **PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**

**Wednesday, April 25th** is the Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist





# SHARELIFE PARISH CAMPAIGN Fourth Sunday of Easter: April 22nd

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**Today is ShareLife Sunday.** 

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#### What is the essence of every liturgy?

Liturgy is always in the first place communion of fellowship with Jesus Christ. Every liturgy, not just the celebration of the Eucharist, is an Easter in miniature. Jesus reveal his passage from death to life and celebrates it with us.

The most important liturgy in the world was the Paschal liturgy that Jesus celebrated with his disciples in the Upper Room on the night before his death. The disciples thought that Jesus would be commemorating the liberation of Israel from Egypt. Instead, Jesus celebrated liberation of all mankind from the power of death. For Jesus' death and Resurrection is the proof that someone can die and nevertheless gain life. This is the genuine substance of every Christian liturgy.



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS APRIL 22

The Fourth Sunday of Easter, Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations. Christ, the Good Shepherd, continues to lead his people through His Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and calls many to follow Him in this way. Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's people.

The purpose of the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). It affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the *ordained ministries* (priesthood and diaconate), to the *Religious life* in all its forms (male and female, contemplative and apostolic), to *societies of apostolic life*, to *secular institutes* in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life, in the particular sense of *mission "ad gentes"*.

Churches throughout the world prays for vocations on this day. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life.
- •Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- •Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- •Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

## IS GOD CALLING YOU www.vocationstoronto.ca

This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs leaders with courage and integrity. The Church needs good leaders as well, leaders who will unselfishly care for the needs of God's people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or deaconate, call

Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



#### **NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS...**

The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Lia Ysabelle Bruan, Kaipper McLean, Alyanna Patron, Brignelle Ramos,

Ryan Ocean Zhou.

Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers.



# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES

Congratulations and God's blessings to all the children in the Parish who received their First Holy Communion

on April 14th/15th and April 21st/22nd. Please keep them in your prayers.

#### **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.



# Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

April 22nd to April 28th

In loving memory of
my parents Grioan Luu Van, Maria Luu Tien and
my brother Grioan Luu Thanh.
Requested by Vung Kim Luu.



#### **UPCOMING MEETING**

#### Women's Spirituality

Tuesday, April 24th at 1:00PM-4:00PM in the St. Pius X Room.

#### **RCIA Celebration**

Thursday, April 26th at 7:00PM-9:00PM in the Parish Hall.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Thursday, April 26th at 7:00PM-9:00PM in the St. Pius X Room.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION**

FOR CATHOLICS: Catholics fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when they receive Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His Blood. Communicants should not be conscious of grave sin, have fasted for an hour, and seek to live in charity and love with their neighbors. Persons conscious of grave sin must first be reconciled with God and the Church through the Sacrament of penance.

FOR OTHER CHRISTIANS: We welcome to this celebration of the Eucharist those Christians who are not fully united with us. Catholics believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life and worship of the community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we all must pray.

**FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING COMMUNION**: Those not receiving sacramental Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

**FOR NON CHRISTIANS**: We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus. While we cannot extend to them an invitation to receive Communion, we do invite them to be united with us in prayer.



#### **BUILDING FUND COLLECTION**

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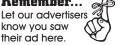
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