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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 8:30AM to 12:00 Noon, 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

Saturday 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 Exposition 8:00AM
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 12:15PM
Mass 12:30PM

#### 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 the 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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

#### PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School416-393-5273Annunciation School416-393-5299St. Isaac Jogues School416-393-5315Senator O'Connor College School416-393-5505

# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH, TORONTO, ONTARIO

"After eight days Jesus came and stood among them."

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



Tuesday, April 29th is the Memorial of St. Catherine of Sienna, virgin and doctor. Friday, May 2nd is the Memorial of St. Athanasius, bishop and doctor. Saturday, May 3rd is the Feast of St. Philip and St. James, apostles.

Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints and all saints in Heaven at the 8:00AM & 12:30PM Mass on weekdays & 9:00AM Mass on Saturday.

## INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' DAY MAY 1ST

International Workers' Day is celebrated in many countries: a day to recognize the value of human work, defend the dignity of working people, encourage all to be responsible in their work, and celebrate the role that human work has in God's plan for creation.

#### **PAPAL BLESSING**

A Papal Blessing or "Benediction Papalis" is a meaningful way to commemorate a very special occasion in yours or your loved one's life. A Papal Blessing scroll is issued to a practicing baptized Catholic and a member of a Catholic parish for the following occasions:

- 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversaries
- 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries of Religious Professions
- 18<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup>, 80<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations
- Baptisms, First Communions and Confirmations
- Catholic Weddings (both individuals should be Catholics)
- Religious Ordinations, Professions & Permanent Deacons

Please contact the Parish Office for more information. Please allow approximately 2 months for processing and delivery.

#### **BUILDING FUND COLLECTION**



This weekend, we take up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your continuing support of Annunciation.

#### WELCOME BACK SEMINARIAN JOSEPH NGUYEN!

Joseph Nguyen Quang Dieu of St. Augustine Seminary will be ordained to the Deconate on Saturday May 3rd, 2014.

Joseph Nguyen will be in residence at our parish from May 1st. We are delighted to welcome Deacon-to-be Joseph back into our parish.

## What is the importance of the Paschal Mystery of Jesus?

The Paschal Mystery of Jesus, which comprises his passion, death and resurrection, and glorification, stands at the center of the Christian faith because God's saving plan was accomplished once for all by the redemptive death of his Son Jesus Christ. (# 112, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

## What are the signs that bear witness to the Resurrection of Jesus?

Along with the essential sign of the empty tomb, the Resurrection of Jesus is witnessed to by the women who first encountered Christ and proclaimed him to the apostles. Jesus then "appeared to Cephas (Peter) and then to the Twelve. Following that he appeared to more than five hundred of the brethren at one time" (1 Corinthians 15:5-6) and to others as well. The apostles could not have invented the story of the Resurrection since it seemed impossible to them. As a matter of fact, Jesus him upbraided them for their unbelief. (# 127, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

#### **SHARELIFE 2014**

#### Working wonders in our community...

Of the more than 1 million foreign born people who arrived in Canada between 2001 and 2006, more than 40% live in the Greater Toronto Area. As a result, nearly 11% of our school system consists of recently arrived residents and over half of the total student population speak a non-official language at home. Last year, ShareLife agencies provided settlement, advocacy and education programs for more than 40,000 immigrants and refugees in the GTA.

# OUR PARISH TOTAL TO DATE: 65,805.36

Next ShareLife Sunday—May 4, 2014

# INSIDE Annunciation Church:

#### THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

#### BUNDLE SUNDAY: MAY 3rd-4th

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will be collecting used clothing and household linens, to support the needy of our residential programs.

The truck will be open on **Sat. May 3rd** from 4:30PM to 6:00PM and **Sun. May 4th** from 7:30AM to 2:00PM and 6:30PM to 8:00PM.

Volunteers will be there to assist with loading before and after each mass. Thank you for your clothing, shoes and linen donations only.

#### Where do our poor box donations go?

Ninety-seven cents of every dollar you donate goes to support the following initiatives. First, Annunciation Conference supports the needy within our parish boundaries through grocery food cards, Goodwill clothing vouchers, and sometimes basic furniture. Second, any surplus goes to the Scarborough West Particular Council (11 parishes in Scarborough) which distributes money to needy parishes within the Council. Their surplus funds are then sent to Toronto Central Council (downtown Toronto) which uses the donations to support the operation of 4 shelters for women; 14 recovery homes for those overcoming addictions; 2 homes for developmentally challenged adults; a home for adults facing mental health challenges; 3 retail stores in the GTA; Court Services and Prison Apostolate; a 164 unit rent-geared-toincome apartment building; and Marygrove Camp and Camp Ozanam for less fortunate girls and boys, respectively. Further details are available at http://svdptoronto.org.

Thank you for helping turn concern into action with your continuing generosity.

# MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE FALL 2014

The Marriage Preparation Course will take place on Wednesday evenings from October 8th, 2014 to November 19th, 2014 from 7:30PM to 9:00PM in Annunciation Parish Hall. The completion of this course is a necessity for all couples who wish to be married at a Catholic Church. Please call or visit the Parish Office to register.

#### JOIN THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE IN THE SCHOOLS!



We are looking for volunteers who love Mother Mary and are willing to go into our Catholic Schools and pray the Rosary with students. Training will be provided.

Contact: Elva (416)447-1157 or Olga (416)446-2969.

#### **MEETINGS**



#### 18-35 Planning Meeting

Monday, April 28th at 7:30PM in the St. Pius X room.

#### **CWL Executive Meeting**

Thursday, May 1st at 1:00PM in the St. Pius X room.

# CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL & CEREMONY TUESDAY APRIL 29TH



The Confirmation Rehearsal is at 9:00AM. The Confirmation Ceremony is at 7:30PM. Candidates are expected to be at the church at 6:30PM.



# Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

April 27th—May 3rd

#### Our lamps are lit:

In loving memory of Sean Alexander
Rodrigues. Beloved son and father.

God took him home and it was his will, but in
our hearts he liveth still. Our prayers are with
you always. I miss you and I love you.

Requested by: Rodrigues family, parents Lloyd
& Ena and sons Adam, Ryan and Eric.

In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and grandmother, Elizabeth Slaven.

You are always in our hearts.

Love Tam & family.

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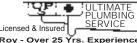


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