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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.

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ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH, TORONTO, ONTARIO

"The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ."

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week is the week which precedes the great Feast of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday: it includes the last days of Lent and the beginning of the Easter Triduum. During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ un the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem.

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

What did Jesus cling to? Not to the fleeting glory of crowds shouting, "Hosanna!" Paul says Jesus didn't even cling to his divine position: he "did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself," becoming human. He accepted the suffering and pain of human life. He lived in vulnerability, God's Suffering Servant, not hiding his face "from insult and spitting." But he did not cling to suffering... he did not let it become the final word. Not even on the cross. He clung, instead, to his identity as God's beloved. He clung, instead, to his identity as God's beloved. He clung to his relationship with the Father. Even in his agony, he remembered who he was. His final, heartbroken, cry war, nonetheless, a cry of faith, a prayer from Psalm 22: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" He clung to what he knew best: he was God's beloved; he trusted in God. And God did not let him down. Paul assures us, "God highly exalted him." We need to be reminded that evil, hatred, suffering and death don't have the final word. Jesus give us this gift. He shows us that life is stronger than death; love is stronger than hatred; faith and hope are stronger than fear and suffering. He shows us that we, too, are God's beloved. Let us cling to this love.

When is an act morally good?

An act is morally good when it assumes simultaneously the goodness of the object, of the end, and of the circumstances. A chosen object can by itself vitiate an act in its entirety, even if the intention is good. It is not licit to do evil so that good may result from it. An evil end corrupts the action, even if the object is good in itself. Circumstances can increase of diminish the responsibility of the one who is acting but they cannot change the moral quality of the acts themselves. They never make good an act which is in itself evil.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE 2017

Sunday, April 9th PALM SUNDAY

Masses: 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil Mass—April 8th), 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM, & 7:00 PM

Monday, April 10th

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

Penance Service & Individual Confessions at 7:00 PM

Tuesday, April 11th & Wednesday, April 12th

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

Thursday, April 13th HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper—8:00 PM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight
Parish Office Hours: 8:30 AM—12:00 Noon

Friday, April 14th GOOD FRIDAY

Celebration of the Lord's Passion—1:00 PM
Celebration of the Lord's Passion—3:00 PM
Stations of the Cross—7:00 PM
Parish Office Closed

Saturday, April 15th HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil Mass—8:00 PM Parish Office Closed

Sunday, April 16th EASTER SUNDAY

Masses at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM (No 7:00PM Mass)

Monday, April 17th EASTER MONDAY

Mass at 9:00AM ONLY.
Parish Office Closed

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

EVERY FRIDAY AT ANNUNCIATION PARISH AT 7:00PM



Join us as we walk with Jesus from death to new life. Make this traditional Lenten prayer part of your personal Lenten program.



ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PALM SUNDAY

Living the Gospel by supporting the Deaf community... Taavi wasn't engaged at his school or in extracurricular sports and as a Deaf person, he faced obstacles trying to join his hearing peers. His mom encouraged him to try to participate in the Deaf community. His life changed when he joined a Deaf basketball fun day hosted by Silent Voice and met Mike, Director of the Silent Voice Child and Family Program. He joined a Deaf sports team, began a co-op position with Silent Voice in his 4th year of high school, and was hired as a counselor in the Silent Voice Sign Language Summer day camp. He continues to volunteer at Silent Voice and says, "I'm grateful to ShareLife — supported Silent Voice and want to be a role model for Deaf kids, like Mike was to me." Last year more than 600 deaf children received held through ShareLife-supported Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer Camps.

OUR PARISH TOTAL TO DATE: \$37,152.45

Thank you for your generosity

Next ShareLife Sunday is May 7, 2017. Please give generously.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH Presents:

<u>MULTICULTURAL NIGHT</u>

Saturday, April 22nd, 2017 (after the 5:00PM Mass)

Members of the Annunciation Parish community are invited to the Multicultural night, to be held on April 22nd, 2017, in the Parish Hall.

Food contributors are encouraged. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Olga Mendoza: 416-446-2969, titaogla@bell.net, or leave your name and phone number at the Welcome Desk.



THANK YOU FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The St. Vincent De Paul of Annunciation parish would like to extend our thanks to all the parishioners who helped make our bundle Sunday a great success. Your donations will go to people in need in our community.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE FALL 2017

The Marriage Preparation Course will take place on Wednesday evenings from **September 27, 2017**—**November 15, 2017** from 7:30PM to 9:30PM 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.

CONFESSIONS FOR EASTER

LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE:

Monday, April 10th at 7:00PM Followed by Individual Confessions. There will be many priests available to hear confessions on this evening.



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

April 9th to April 15th

In loving memory of my mother and sister-in-law
Michal and Teresa Lukow.
Always in my heart and prayer.
Rest in peace.

Requested by Sister Anna

In loving memory of Sinthuju Pelér. Requested by Maharany Pelér

In loving memory of my husband, father, grand father and great grand father, Ralph P. Collins. We love and miss him very much. Requested by: Virginia Collins, children, grand children and great grand children Paul O'Connor

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