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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

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 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

Our Lady of Wisdom School 416-393-5273
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"Make straight the paths of the Lord."

### **PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**

**Tuesday, December 12th** is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Patron of the Americas

**Wednesday, December 13th** is the Memorial of St. Lucy, Virgin Martyr

**Thursday, December 14th** is the Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor

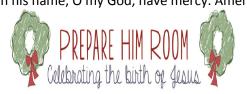
Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints and all the saints in Heaven at the 8:00AM and 12:30PM Masses on weekdays and 9:00AM Mass on Saturday.

### **HOW TO GO TO CONFESSION**

- 1. Before going to Confession, examine your conscience by reflecting on your sins.
- 2. Begin your Confession by saying "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Bless me Father for I have sinned. It has been [length of time] since my last Confession. These are my sins..."
- 3. The priest will suggest something for you to do or pray after Confession (called penance), as a response to God's mercy.
- 4. The priest will then ask you to pray the *Act of Contrition* out load (see text below), demonstrating your sorrow for your sins.
- 5. The priest will extend his hands in your direction and pray the Prayer of Absolution. You respond "Amen"
- 6. The priest will likely say "God has freed you from your sins. God in peace." You can respond; "Thanks be to God."

### **ACT OF CONTRITION**

O, my God,



### Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule

### <u>Confession for Christmas—</u> <u>Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup></u>

7:00pm

(Several priests will be available to hear confession)

### **The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> –** Mass at 5:00pm (*No 9:00am Mass or Confessions*)

**Sunday December 24th** – Mass at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm (*No 7:00pm Mass*)

### Christmas Eve to Sunday, December 24th

Mass at 6:00pm, 9:00pm (with incense) & 12:00 Midnight (with incense)

### Christmas Day to Monday, December 25th

9:30am, 11:00am (with incense) & 12:30pm

### <u>Christmas Weekday Masses</u> Tuesday, December 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

Daily Mass at 9:00am ONLY (Parish Office Closed)

### Saturday, December 30th

Daily Mass at 9:00am (Parish Office Closed)

### **Feast of the Holy Family**

Saturday, December 30th — Mass at 5:00pm (No Confessions & Parish Office Closed) Sunday, December 31st — Mass at 8:00am

**Sunday, December 31**st — Mass at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm

### New Year's Eve to Sunday, December 31st

Mass at 5:00pm & 7:00pm

### New Year's Day to Monday, January 1st Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mass at 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm (Parish Office Closed)

### ARCHDIOCESE DAY OF CONFESSION

Day of Confession: Monday, Dec. 11th 8:30AM—10AM, 2PM—4PM & 6PM—8PM A priest will be available to hear confessions during these times.

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

### **Senator O'Connor Advent Mass**

Tuesday, December 12th at 9:00AM

### **Annunciation Seniors Group Social**

Tuesday, December 12th at 9:00AM—12:00PM in the Parish Hall

### **Refugee Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, December 12th at 6:45PM in the St. Cecilia Room

### St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Thursday, December 14th at 7:00PM in the St. Pius X Room.

### RIGHT TO LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Right to Life Christmas Cards will be sold for \$8 per 10 cards in the Religious Articles booth. All proceeds will go to support the Pro-Life Cause.

### FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING AWARD

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the Scripture passage *Exodus* 15:1-21 and should respond to the question:

Just as the Israelites sought deliverance from enslavement, in contemporary society the dignity of all people is threatened by new enslavements to poverty, violence, injustice and addictions. In what ways can Christians of all denominations work together to stave off these assaults to human dignity? Explain.

First prize is an iPad Pro (128GB).

Deadline for entries is **Monday January 8, 2018 For more information call:** 416 934 3400 ext. 344

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### **SEASON OF ADVENT**



Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we

recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation.

During Advent, each Sunday's Gospel reading has a specific focus. The Old Testament readings, especially those taken from Isaiah, are prophecies about the Messiah and messianic times. The selections from the writings of the Apostles present exhortations and instructions on different themes of this season.

# ANNUNCIATION SENIORS CLUB Tuesday, December 12th at 10:00AM



It is time for our always enjoyable Christmas Social!

**Date:** Tuesday, December 12th (note... this is a week earlier than usual)

**Time:** 10:00AM

We will have a Christmas sing-a-long with Neil Johnston on the keyboards. This will be followed by a delicious lunch and fellowship.

Remember to wear something CHRISTMAS!



# Memorial Lamps Special Intentions

December 10 to December 16

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and in thanksgiving for all the blessings God has given us.

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### **BUILDING FUND COLLECTION**



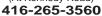
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