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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 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 Archdiocese of Toronto—Chancery Office.

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

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THE MEANING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Third Week of Advent

The 3rd Candle (Rose) The Shepherd Candle or The Candle of Joy

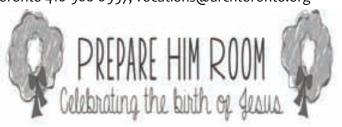
The angels sang a message of JOY! "... and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.' Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the



angel, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.' When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." (Luke 2:7-15)

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997, vocations@archtoronto.org



CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 22,2014

Daily Masses at 8:00AM & 12:30PM

Tuesday, December 23, 2014

Daily Masses at 8:00AM & 12:30PM

Wednesday, December 24th, 2014 CHRISTMAS EVE

Masses at 6:00PM, 9:00PM, & 12:00Midnight Parish Office Closed

Thursday, December 25th, 2014 CHRISTMAS DAY

Masses at 9:30AM, 11:00AM, & 12:30PM Parish Office Closed

Friday, December 26th, 2014

Mass at 9:00AM only Parish Office Closed

Saturday, December 27th, 2014

Daily Mass at 9:00AM Confessions at 9:30AM & 4:00PM Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00PM Office Hours: 11:00AM to 4:30PM

Sunday, December 28th, 2014 Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday Obligation Masses at 8:00AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM, 12:30PM, 7:00PM

Monday, December 29th

Daily Mass at 9:00AM Office Closed

Tuesday, December 30th 2014

Daily Mass at 9:00AM Office Closed

NEW YEAR'S EVE: Wednesday, Dec. 31st, 2014 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Masses at 5:00PM & 7:00PM
Office Closed

NEW YEAR'S DAY: Thursday, January 1st, 2015 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Masses at 9:30AM, 11:00AM & 12:30PM

FIRST FRIDAY, January 2nd, 2015

Daily Mass at 8:00AM followed by Exposition Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:15PM Daily Mass at 12:30PM

INSIDE Annunciation Church:

CAMPAIGN LIFE CHRISTMAS CAKES

Campaign Life Christmas Fruit Cakes are available after all Masses this weekend. All proceeds go to support the Pro-Life Cause. Thank you for your support.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE SELECTION

A reminder to parents of children who are already registered for First Holy Communion: please visit the foyer after Mass this weekend to select the date and time when your child will be receiving First Holy Communion. Important note: it is a first come first serve basis!

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

There is a training on Saturday, December 20th at 11:00AM for high school student altar servers who wish to learn how to use incense for special Masses.

NEWS FROM THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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 store food cards, Goodwill clothing vouchers, and sometimes basic furniture.

Second, any surplus goes to 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-to-income 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 through your continuing generosity.

THIS MONDAY, 15 DECEMBER

Annunciation Parish

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Followed by Individual Confessions 7:00 PM

There will be many priests available to hear confessions on this evening.

USE OF INCENSCE AT CHRISTMAS MASSES



A courtesy message to parishioners who are sensitive to burning incense:

Incense <u>will be used</u> at the 9:00PM and 12:00Midnight Masses on Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24 December, and at the 11:00AM Mass on Christmas

Day, Thursday 25 December.

Incense will <u>not</u> be used at the 6:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day at the 9:30AM and 12:30PM Masses.





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