

# 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 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 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
Annunciation School	416-393-5299
St. Isaac Jogues School	416-393-5315
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*"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."*

**PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



**Wednesday, December 7th** is Memorial of St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor

**Thursday, December 8th** is Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Could God be calling you to the priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"?

**NEWS FROM THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

"We must love our neighbor as being made in the image of God and as an object of His love" - St. Vincent de Paul  
Members of the Annunciation Conference provide year-round assistance to our local 'neighbours-in-need'. With your on-going support, we are able to provide food, clothing and basic furniture to about 250 adults and children in our community. During this Advent season, your generous donations will help support families not just at Christmas, but year-round.  
For security reasons, be sure to make your donation following mass when ushers are nearby handing out church bulletins.  
Thank you for helping turn concern into action through your continuing generosity.  
New members are always welcome.  
Please call 416 657 2989.

**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 theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2017. The Theme for this coming year is *"Reconciliation — The love of Christ compels us"* (cf. 2 Corinthians: 5:14-20). First prize is an iPad Air 2 (64GB).  
Deadline for entries is **January 13, 2017**.  
**For more information call:** 416 934 3400 ext. 344

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR  
MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday Dec. 19th — Friday Dec. 23rd 2016**

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

**Saturday, Dec. 24th, 2016**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

Masses at 6:00PM, 9:00PM, & 12:00 Midnight  
(No 9:00AM Daily Mass or Confessions)  
Parish Office Closed

**Sunday, Dec. 25th, 2016**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

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

**Monday, Dec. 26th — Thursday, Dec. 29th, 2016**

Daily Mass at 9:00AM  
Parish Office Closed

**Friday, Dec. 30th, 2016**

**Feast of the Holy Family**

Daily Mass at 9:00AM  
Parish Office Closed

**NEW YEAR'S EVE : Saturday, Dec. 31st, 2016**

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

Masses at 5:00PM & 7:00PM  
Daily Mass at 9:00AM  
Parish Office Closed

**NEW YEAR'S DAY: Sunday, January 1st, 2017**

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

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

**Monday, January 2, 2017**

Daily Mass at 9:00AM  
Parish Office Closed

Regular Mass Schedule and Office Hours resume on  
Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017

**CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS**

**Advent Penitential Service: Mon. Dec. 19th  
at 7:00 PM**

*There will be many priests available to hear individual confessions on this evening following the service.*

**Day of Confession: Mon. Dec. 12th**

8:30AM—10AM, 2PM—4PM & 6PM—8PM

*A priest will be available to hear confessions during these times.*

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

On the behalf of the Good Shepherd Ministries, we would like to extend our thanks to all the parishioners who have contributed to this year's food drive. A special thanks goes out to all those who helped to sort the goods after mass last Sunday. Your generous donations will allow the Good Shepherd Centre to continue their work to help those in need.

### CWL CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE



The CWL committee is having their Annual Christmas Bake Sale. The sale takes place this weekend December 3rd/4th after all masses, except for the 7:00PM Mass.

All proceeds are used to fund our charitable endeavors. Thank you for your support.

### USE OF INCENSE AT CHRISTMAS MASSES

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

Incense **will be used** at the 9:00PM and 12:00 Midnight Masses on Christmas Eve, and at the 11:00AM Mass on Christmas Day. Incense will **not** be used at the 6:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve, and the 9:30AM and 12:30PM Masses on Christmas Day.

### FLOWER COLLECTION



The Annual Christmas Flower Collection will be taken up on this weekend December 3rd/4th. Thank you for your generosity.

### PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently: Anthony Ellis.

### NEW TO OUR PARISH?

If you are a new parishioner of Annunciation Parish we offer you a warm welcome. Please take the time to register and receive your personal box of Sunday Offering Envelopes. You can register by visiting the parish office during normal business hours. We're glad you're here

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday, December 5th at 7:30PM in the Parish Hall

#### Confirmation Facilitators Meeting

Thursday, December 8th at 7:00PM in the St. Cecelia Room.

### CWL ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE

The CWL of our Parish is asking all Parishioners to assist with the Annual drive for the Good Shepherd Refugee. We are asking for men's' socks, underwear, etc. These articles are in short supply and, if you can help leave your donation in the Religious Articles Booth when you come to Sunday Mass December 4th, 11th and 18th. We will deliver them in time for the Christmas Season. Your generosity is always appreciated.

### 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 on the Weekends of December 10/11 and December 17/18, 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!**

### CAMPAIGN LIFE CHRISTMAS CAKES

Campaign Life Christmas Fruit Cakes are available after all Masses on December 3rd-4th and December 10th-11th. All proceeds go to support the Pro-Life Cause. Thank you for your support.

## Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

*December 4th to  
December 10th*



*In loving memory of  
Yie Hok, Tjie Yuk Lan,  
Shui Fong Chung, Elizabeth Chuong,  
and Hing Kwok Chung.  
Requested by: Peter Chung.*



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