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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

"Make straight the paths of the Lord."

THE MEANING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Second Week of Advent

The 2nd Candle (purple)

The Bethlehem Candle or The Candle of Preparation

God kept his promise of a Saviour who would be born in Bethlehem. Preparation means to "get ready". Help us to be ready to welcome YOU, O GOD!



As written in a book of the worlds of Isaiah the prophet: 'A voice of one calling in the desert, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough way smooth. And all mankind will see God's salvation." (Luke 3: 4-6)

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Monday, 08 December is the Feast of THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

Tuesday, og December is Feast of St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin.

Thursday, 11 December is the Feast of *St. Damascus I,* pope.

Friday, 12 December is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas.

Saturday, 13 December is the Feast of *St. Lucy,* virgin & martyr.

Join us in prayer in communion with Our Mother Mary, these great saints, and all saints in Heaven at the 8:00am and 12:30pm Masses on weekdays, and 9:00am on Saturday.

THE JOYFUL SEASON OF ADVENT

Pope Francis said, "We always think of Jesus when He preaches, when He heals, when He travels, walks along the street, even during the Last Supper. But we aren't used to thinking about Jesus smiling, joyful. Jesus was full of joy, full of joy. In that intimacy with His Father: 'I rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and I praised the Father.' It is precisely the internal mystery of Jesus, that relationship with the Father in the Spirit. It is His internal joy, the interior joy that He gives to us."

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:

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

We pray for the all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those remember who died recently: Rosetta Scheepstra.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS!

On 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. Your generous donations will allow the Good Shepherd Centre to continue their work to help those in need.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE SELECTION

A reminder to parents of children who are already registered for First Holy Communion: please visit the fover after Mass this weekend or next weekend, December 13th-14th, 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!

CWL CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE

This weekend the CWL is having their Annual Christmas Bake Sale. The sale takes place after all Masses this weekend (except for the 7:00PM Mass). All proceeds are used to fund our charitable endeavours. Thank you for your support.

FEEDING THE HUNGRY

The holiday season is a time of tradition, family and giving. You could be a holiday helper by volunteering your time feeding the needy with a nourishing, home cooked meal for the Good Shepherd Centre. If you are willing to spend some time in the kitchen to cook a nutritious meal, please contact the Parish Office. We will provide aluminum pans (and also some recipes to follow at your request). Just deliver your frozen dish to the parish office and we will store it until pick-up.

2015 OFFERATORY ENVELOPE

If you have not picked-up your envelope box, please visit the Welcome Desk after Mass or at the Parish Office during office hours.

Annunciation Parish **ADVENT** PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Followed by Individual Confessions Monday, December 15th 2014 7:00 PM

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

DAY OF CONFESSION

Wednesday, December 10th 2014

Priests are available to hear confessions during these times:

8:30AM—10:00AM, 1:00PM—3:00PM, 6:00PM-8:00PM

CAMPAIGN LIFE CHRISTMAS CAKES

Campaign Life Christmas Fruit Cakes are available after all Masses this weekend and next weekend, December 13th-14th. All proceeds go to support the Pro-Life Cause. Thank you for your support.



Memorial Lamps & Special Intention

07 December 13 December

Our lamps are lit:

In loving memory of Edward McLeod.

A loving husband, father and grandfather, who went to his eternal rest on December 2nd, 1994, 20 years ago.

God saw you getting tired when a cure was not to be, so He puts his arms around you and whispered come to me.

Close to our hearts, you will always stay, loved, and remembered everyday.

Requested by your loving wife, Daphne, daughter, Sharon, son, Nigel, daughter-in-law, Milena, and grand children,

Roman and Ava McLeod.

In loving memory of Shui Fong Chung, Tjei Yuk Lan, and Requested by Peter and Jenny Chung.

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