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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday	8:30AM to 12:00 Noon, 1:00PM to 8:00PM
Friday	8:30AM to 12:00 Noon, 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
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(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 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.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** 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
Senator O'Connor College School	416-393-5505

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,  
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*"Keep awake, you must be ready."*



**AWAKE FROM YOUR SLUMBER!**

Advent marks the beginning of the liturgical year. It is a season of joyful expectation. Advent is twofold in 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 ages. Vestments of purple or violet are used during the season of Advent.

**PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



**Tuesday, December 3rd** is the *Memorial of St. Francis Xavier*, priest.

**Saturday, December 7th** is the *Memorial of St. Ambrose*, bishop & doctor.

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

**THE HOLY FATHER'S  
GENERAL INTENTION FOR DECEMBER**



*Victimized Children* ~ That children who are victims of abandonment or violence may find the love and protection they need.

**THE HOLY FATHER'S  
MISSION PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER**



*Prepare for the Savior's Coming* ~ That Christians, enlightened by the Word incarnate, may prepare humanity for the Savior's coming.

**TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF CATHOLIC TRIVIA**



- 1) What does the word Advent mean?
- 2) What does the Advent wreath represent?

**Answers:**

- 1) The word Advent comes from the Latin word 'adventus', which means arrival or coming.
- 2) The wreath is a circle to represent the Trinity. It symbolizes having no beginning or end.

**ANNUNCIATION PARISH ADVENT MISSION 2013:  
Thursday, December 12—Monday December 16**

***"The Roots and Wings of Our Faith"***

Thurs. Dec. 12th	12:30PM	Mass and Mission
Fri. Dec. 13th	12:30PM	Mass and Mission
Sat. Dec. 14th	9:00AM	Mass and Mission
Sun. Dec. 15th	All Masses	Mission Preacher
Mon. Dec. 16th	7:00PM	Mission Advent Penitential Service

**Our Mission Preacher**, Father Christopher Rupert S.J. (Father Chris) was born near Belleville, Ontario, in a small town called Madoc. He has a double doctorate in theology. His specialities are scripture and prayer. Father Chris has taught permanent deacons-to-be, religious education course for teachers, given many workshops on prayer and scripture to priest, deacons and parishioners, and preached several parish missions.

His upcoming mission, **The Roots and Wings of our Faith**, will prepare the way for Christmas and Christ's coming to us as we experience God's mercy and love for us individually and through Mary. We are in for a treat.



**Memorial Lamps  
& Special Intentions  
Dec. 1—Dec. 7**

**Our lamps are lit:**

*In loving memory of Antonio Furia.  
We miss you.*

*Requested by: Yolanda Furia,  
sons: Berardino & Gabriele,  
daughters-in-law: Angela & Fotini,  
and grandchildren: Daniella, Antonio,  
Gabriele, Nicolas, Mia & Luca*

*In loving memory of:  
our grandparents, Mr & Mrs George S.F. Tsang,  
our uncle Arther Y.W. Tsang,  
our aunt Mrs. Anna Tsang & her best friend  
Wong Wong.*

*Requested by Alan & Agnes Tsang.*

**INSIDE**  
**Annunciation Church:**

**CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS**

**Advent Penitential Service: Mon. Dec. 16th**

7:00 PM

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

**Day of Confession: Wed. Dec. 11th**

8:30AM—10AM, 1PM—3PM & 6PM—8PM

*Priests will be available to hear confessions during these times.*

**CAMPAIGN LIFE CHRISTMAS CAKES**

Campaign Life Christmas Fruit Cakes will be available this year in the Church Foyer before and after all Masses on **December 7th-8th & December 14th-15th**. All proceeds go to support the Pro-Life Cause.

**PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS' MASS**

Our parish elementary schools gather together as one community to prepare the coming of Baby Jesus on **Tuesday, December 3rd** at 7:00PM.

**MEETINGS**

**CWL Executive Meeting:** Thursday, December 5th at 1:00PM in the St. Pius X room.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Thursday, December 5th at 7:15PM in the Parish Hall.

**MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER:  
SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY**

**Next Sunday**, There will be a special collection in all parishes across the Diocese in support of Aboriginal people in Canada. The *Moving Forward Together Campaign* collection will fund local and national healing and education programs to help build a brighter future with out Aboriginal brothers and sisters. As a community in Christ, we must avoid the temptation of seeing the difficulties facing many Aboriginal people as a challenge solely for Aboriginal people to work out. If we are to truly live Jesus' fundamental command to "love one another" (John 15:12), it becomes a challenge for all of us to embrace. Special *Moving Forward Together Campaign* envelopes are available at the Church entrances. Visit [movingforwardtogether.ca](http://movingforwardtogether.ca) for more information or to make an online donation.

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR  
MASS SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday, December 24th, 2013**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

Masses at 6:00PM, 9:00PM, & 12:00Midnight

[NO 8:00AM & 12:30PM Masses]

Office CLOSED

**Wednesday, December 25th, 2013**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

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

Office CLOSED

**Thursday, December 26th, 2013**

to

**Saturday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Mass at 9:00AM ONLY

Office hours:

Thursday CLOSED

Friday 8:30AM to 4:00PM

Saturday 11:00AM to 4:30PM

**Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Feast of the Holy Family**

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00PM

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

**Tuesday, December 31st, 2013**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE:**

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

Masses at 5:00PM & 7:00PM

[NO 8:00AM & 12:30PM Masses]

[No Confession]

Office CLOSED

**Wednesday, January 1st, 2014**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY:**

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

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

Office CLOSED

**Regular Mass Schedule & Office Hours resume on  
Thursday, January 2nd, 2014.**

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