

# 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
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*"Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?"*

**PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



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

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

**Wednesday, December 14th** is 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.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

*"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you."*

**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 or 416 934 3410 ext. 403

**ACT OF CONTRITION**

O, my God,

I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.

In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,

I have sinned against you

whom I should love above all things.

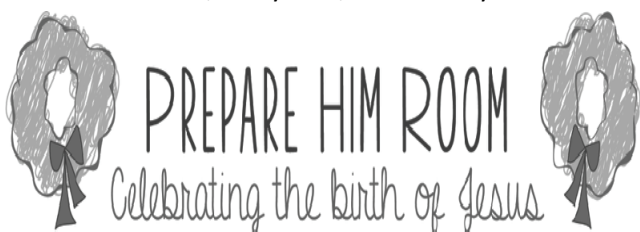
I firmly intend, with the help of your grace,

to do penance, to sin no more,

and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.

Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.

In his name, O my God, have mercy. Amen.



**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

Regular mass schedule and office hours resume on  
January 2nd, 2016

**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

### SENIORS CLUB CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



**Tuesday, December 13th** from 10AM to noon will be our special Christmas Celebration. We will enjoy a seasonal sing-along followed by a delicious lunch.

Come and get into the *Christmas spirit* ... and ... remember to wear your favourite Christmas outfit and seasonal accessories!

### CAMPAIGN LIFE CHRISTMAS CAKES

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

### 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.

### 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 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!**

### BUILDING FUND COLLECTION



Next weekend we will be taking up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### St. Vincent De Paul Advent Celebration

Thursday, December 15th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall

### CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL CONCERTS



**5:40PM**—Mini Carol Concert before the 6:00PM Mass featuring the Children's Choir.

**8:00PM**—Carol Concert before the 9:00PM Mass featuring the Youth Choir.

**11:00PM**—Carol Concert before the 12:00 Midnight Mass featuring the Adult Choir.

### 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.

## Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions



*December 11h to  
December 17th*

*To the memory of  
Immanuel Riscardi, Iman  
who died December 6th, 2014.  
Remembered with love by his wife,  
children and grandchildren.  
Requested by: Hendra and Bella*

### REQUESTING A REFERENCE LETTER

If you would like to have a Pastoral Reference Letter, please note: a pastoral reference letter may only be issued to parishioners of Annunciation Parish known personally to the Pastor. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor six months in advance by booking an appointment through the parish office.



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