ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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Parish Priests:

Fr. Jude Coyle

Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan

Fr. Jinto Pallathukuzhiyil HGN

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

10:00am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 8:00pm
10:00am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Office Closed
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The Church opens 35 minutes before each Mass

SUNDAY MASSES Saturday Sunday

Vigil 5:00pm 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon, 7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday Saturday Public Holiday 8:00am & 12:30pm 9:00am 9:00am only

FIRST FRIDAYS Mass followed by Exposition Mass

8:00am 12:30pm

Parish Staff:

Clarissa Adityani

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

9:30AM (at other times by appointment)

BAPTISMS

Saturday

Parents themselves should pick up and return a completed Baptism Information Form to the parish office at least 6 months in advance of the anticipated baptismal date. An interview with a parish priest is required. Parents of children to be baptized should be registered members of our Parish Community. Attendance at an online Baptismal 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.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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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

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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.

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

Wednesday, December 14th is the Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church.

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Gaudete Sunday



The 3rd Candle (Rose): The Candle of Joy The Third Sunday of Advent is traditionally known as **Gaudete Sunday**. *Gaudete* is a Latin word which means rejoice. We light the rose colored candle on our wreath as a

sign of joy. We rejoice because the birthday of our Savior is near.

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again, rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:4-7)



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

December 11—December 17

In loving memory of **Tony De Souza** Eternal rest grant onto Tony and may his soul rest in peace. Requested by Olivia, Alison, David and their families.



Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule

<u>Christmas Eve—Saturday, December 24th</u> Mass at 6:00PM, 8:00PM & 10:00PM

Christmas Day—Sunday, December 25th Mass at 8:00AM, 10:00AM & 12:00PM

<u>Weekday Masses</u> <u>Monday, December 26th – Friday, December 30th</u> Daily Mass at 9:00AM ONLY

<u>New Year's Eve—Saturday, December 31st</u> Mass at 5:00PM & 7:00PM

New Year's Day—Sunday, January 1st, 2023 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Mass at 8:00AM, 10:00AM & 12:00PM

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

Day of Confession: Monday, December 12th 8:30AM—10AM, 2:00PM -4:00PM and 6:00PM—8:00PM A priest will be available to hear confessions

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently: **Dominic D'Souza.**

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IN SOLIDARITY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES December 12

The Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council, founded by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) in 1998, proposes that the Feast of Our Lady Guadalupe (December 12) be a National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. All are invited to join their Indigenous sisters and brothers in a special way this day through prayer and acts of solidarity.

CATHOLIC MOTHER'S GROUPS AND THE CHRISTMAS MANGER

On behalf of the Parish our grateful thanks to those members of the Catholic Mothers' Group and their families who spent Saturday in creating and decorating our Christmas Manger. Also, our thanks to Seamus O'Neill and the four young men of the parish who helped.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

RCIA meeting

Thursday, December15th at 7:00PM in the St. Pius X.

CWL BAKE SALE December 10/11



The CWL will be hosting their Christmas Bake Sale this year! The Bake Sale will be held on **Sunday, December 11th** after each mass. Please bring your baked goods to the Parish Hall on Saturday, December

10th between 10:00AM and 1:00PM. The Bake Sale is our major fundraiser for the year and allows us to make donations to worthwhile charities. Please buy generously. Donations of baked goods are gratefully accepted.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION December 17/18



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

SENIORS' CLUB

Parishioners... this is a friendly reminder and invitation to join the Senior's Club. We meet once a month and arrange programs that are of interest to Seniors—55+. We have a membership fee of \$10.00 for a full year. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 10:30AM** in the Parish Hall. The **cold** weather is here and this month we have someone who has volunteered to "pamper" us. We will also have a Christmas Carol sing-along followed by our annual Christmas Lunch. Please plan to attend— we are looking forward to welcoming you.

GOOD SHEPHERD SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR COLLECTION



Thank you to all who donated to the socks and underwear drive for the Good Shepherd. We collected 528 pairs of socks and 78 pairs of underwear.



MUSIC MINISTRY UPDATES

We're thrilled to welcome everyone to the new "school" year. Coming together after quite some time, we are excited to rebuild our choral communities!

Our children's choir will be rehearsing every **Sunday** from **09:00AM - 10:00AM** and will sing at **every other 10:00AM Mass**.

Our general choir will be rehearsing every **Sunday** from **11:10AM - 12:00PM** and will sing at **every 12:00PM Mass**. New members are most welcome! No prior musical training is required.

You can register for either choir in one of two methods:

- 1. Online via google forms Click the link or scan the QR code below.
- 2. In-Person in the Parish Foyer registration forms will be provided before/after each Mass for you to complete.

Children's Choir Registration Form: <u>https://bit.ly/3VFp28y</u>



General Choir Registration Form: <u>https://bit.ly/3SlbagN</u>



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a Program to prepare Adults to become Catholic. If you, a member of your family or a friend are thinking about becoming a Catholic, please contact the parish office and walk the Journey of faith with us. We meet weekly beginning mid October.

