

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

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prepare the way...



ADVENT

**ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,
TORONTO, ONTARIO**

*"Why has this happened to me,
that the mother of my Lord comes to me?"*



"For unto us a child is born,... And he shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6).

The birth of Jesus Christ changed the course of human history. May the Christmas season be a time of hope and renewal for each and every parishioner at Annunciation Parish.

The Pastoral Team of Annunciation Parish: Fr. Jude Coyle, Fr. Stephen Gilbert, and the entire parish staff, extend to you best wishes and prayerful greetings for a Happy and Blessed Christmas.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The 4th Candle (Purple) - The Angel Candle or The Candle of Love

The angels announced the good news of a Savior. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us!

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." (John 3:16-17)

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Saturday, December 26th is the *Feast of St. Stephen, the first martyr.*

Join us in prayer in communion with St. Stephen and all saints in Heaven at the 8:00am and 12:30pm Masses on weekdays, and 9:00am on Saturday.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY BLESSING

God of light and hope, look upon us in love and fill us with the Spirit of Jesus that we may love you and serve you in your kingdom. Protect us during this week and keep us watchful in prayer as we await the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the light of the world, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR
MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday Dec. 21st — Wednesday Dec. 23rd 2015

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

Thursday, December 24th, 2015

CHRISTMAS EVE

Masses at 6:00PM, 9:00PM, & 12:00 Midnight
Parish Office Closed

Friday, December 25th, 2015

CHRISTMAS DAY

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

Saturday, December 26th, 2015

Daily Mass at 9:00AM
Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00PM
Parish Office Closed

Sunday, December 27th, 2015

Feast of the Holy Family

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

Monday Dec. 28th—Wednesday, Dec. 30th, 2015

Daily Mass at 9:00AM
Parish Office Closed

NEW YEAR'S EVE : Thursday, Dec. 31st, 2015

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Masses at 5:00PM & 7:00PM
Parish Office Closed

NEW YEAR'S DAY: Friday, January 1st, 2016

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

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

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

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.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE:

Monday, December 21st at 7:00PM

Followed by Individual Confessions. There will be many priests available to hear confessions on this evening.

CHRISTMAS PARKING

We all know that parking will be a problem over the Christmas/New Year stretch. Please remember there is **absolutely no parking at anytime between the lanes marked "No Parking" and the driveway in front of the church. It is a fire route!** A limited number of handicap spots are available for those with **valid permits**.

ALTAR SERVING DURING CHRISTMAS MASSES

Altar Servers serving on Christmas Eve are reminded to be dressed and ready in the St. Pius X room at least **half an hour** before the scheduled mass which you have signed up for.

Senior Servers helping with incense during Christmas at the 9:00PM, 12:00 Midnight, and 11:00AM masses are to attend a training on Wednesday, December 23rd from 11:00AM—12:00PM.

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS...



The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Chloe Brooklyn Denas, Lily Jean Riley, John Angelo Cornejo Orillo, Tristan Jacob Gallay Parazo, Logan Christopher Ross, Alexandra Quinn Taddao, Sarah Veronica Wong.

Please keep these children in your prayers.

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE SELECTION

A reminder to parents of children who are already registered for First Holy Communion: please visit the foyer after all Masses this weekend, to select the date and time when your child will be receiving First Holy Communion.

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: *Epifania Paguio, Rosario Boongaling, Eusebius (Tony) De Souza.*



Memorial Lamps & Special Intention

December 20—26

Our lamps are lit:

*In loving memory of Antonio Figueira.
So deeply loved, missed and eternally cherished.
Requested by dad, mom, your loving sister Kerry-Ann
and brother-in-law Lucio.*

*In loving memory of Mom and Dad,
Sheila and Noel Hayes.
Requested by: Carmel, Julia and Michael.*

*In loving memory of Margaret Rita Looney,
loved and missed by her niece and family.
Requested by Joe and Margaret Carrabs, and family.*

*In loving memory of Luz Mendoza.
You're always in our hearts.
Requested by: Dennis, Olga, Joshua,
Julianne, Jessica and Mike.*



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