

# *Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish*

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## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

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BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, TORONTO, ONTARIO

“His parents found him in the temple, sitting among  
the teachers.”



### **FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**

*The Sunday between Christmas and New Year is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. All families are called to be instruments of God's love. As we remember the family of Jesus, let us thank God for the gift of our own personal family.*

### **“HOLIDAYS” AND “HOLY DAYS”**

A reminder that New Year's Day, the Feast of Mary Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics. We begin the new year united with Jesus Christ in the mystery of the Eucharist. Mass on New Year's Eve fulfills your obligation.



### **PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



**Wednesday, January 2nd** is the *Feast of St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen; bishops, doctors.*

**Thursday, January 3rd** is *THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS.*

**Friday, January 4th** is the *Feast of St. Elizabeth of Seton, religious.*

## **A PEACEFUL AND BLESSED NEW YEAR TO ALL!**

### **WORLD DAY OF PEACE**

*January 1st*



The World Day of Prayer for Peace is celebrated today. “Blessed are the peacemakers” is the theme chosen by the Holy Father for the forty-sixth World Day of Peace. The intercessions should include petitions for peace in the world, for love and goodwill among all nations, and for light and guidance for civil leaders. The meaning of the sign of peace in the Mass could be highlighted. Families should be encouraged to pause today to discuss their responsibility to work and pray for peace.

### **TORONTO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WELCOME KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS**



The Toronto Catholic District School Board welcomes families with kindergarten—aged children to register for the September 2013 school year beginning on Tuesday, January 8, 2012. Your local Catholic school will be offering one evening of extended registration hours during the week of January 14th, 2012. Please contact your local school for this date.

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### **DOWN ON OUR KNEES**

The Tabernacle in our parish church is the place where we reserve the Church's greatest treasure, the Body of Christ. Here at Annunciation, six lamps burn before Him. They call us to prayer and adoration. We show our personal respect for the Presence of Christ by genuflecting (bending the knee) when entering or leaving the church and when passing before the Blessed Sacrament.



## INSIDE Annunciation Church:

### **A NEW YEAR'S GREETING**

*May God's light shine  
upon you, your family  
and loved ones  
throughout the year!*



The Pastoral Team of Annunciation Parish:  
Fr. Jude Coyle, Fr. David Okenyi,  
Fr. Jon Bromley, Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan,  
and the entire parish staff, wishes you a Happy  
New Year filled with God's love, peace, joy, and  
blessings!

### **CONFIRMATION FACILITATORS MEETING**



All confirmation facilitators are reminded of  
the meeting on Thursday, January 3rd at  
7:30PM in the Parish Hall.

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING**



As parents are the first teachers of their  
children in matters of faith, the parents of  
children making their First Holy Communion  
in Annunciation Parish are expected to  
attend two preparatory meetings. A reminder that  
the first preparatory meeting to be held in Parish Hall  
on **Monday, January 14th at 7:00PM.**  
(The 2nd preparatory meeting is on Feb. 26th at 7PM)

### **GRADE 8 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES' CONFIRMATION SESSIONS BEGIN**

The 1st Confirmation session begins next week.

#### **Monday's First Session:**

January 7th at 7:00PM

#### **Thursday's First Session:**

January 10th at 7:00PM



Sessions take place in the Parish Hall.  
Please attend the day you have chosen ONLY (Monday  
or Thursday)

### **NEW YEAR EVE'S & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday, December 31st, 2012**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE: Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God**

Masses at 5:00PM & 7:00PM  
[NO 8:00AM & 12:30PM Masses]  
Office CLOSED

**Tuesday, January 1st, 2013**

**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  
Wednesday, January 2nd, 2013**



### **Memorial Lamps & Special Intention**

**December 30th — January 5th**

*Our lamps are lit:*

*In loving memory of Ms. Rhea Christy De Juan.  
Requested by her family: Mom, Rocelli, Dad, Dan,  
Rochelle and Richard.*

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE WINTER 2013**

The Marriage Preparation Course will take place on  
**Wednesday evenings,**  
**January 9th to March 6th, 2013**  
from 7:30PM - 9:00PM  
In Annunciation Parish Hall.

The completion of this course is a necessity for all cou-  
ples who wish to be married at a Catholic Church.  
Please call or visit the Parish Office to register.



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