

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.

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PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School	416-393-5273
Annunciation School	416-393-5299
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ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,
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*"Love your enemies and
pray for those who persecute you."*



The highest point in the Church's year of prayer is the Sacred Paschal Triduum celebrating the dying and rising of the Lord Jesus. We prepare for this three-day period during the Season of Lent and prolong it for the great 50 days of the Easter Season.

Lent has a dual purpose. It helps catechumens prepare for celebrating Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil and it invites those who are baptized through penance and prayer to prepare to renew their promise of baptismal faith at Easter.

What is the significance of the 40 weekdays before Easter?

The 40 days of Lent, which precedes Easter is based on two Biblical accounts: the 40 years of wilderness wandering by the Israelites and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness at which point He was tempted by Satan.

Each year the Church observes Lent where we, like Israel and our Lord, are tested. We participate in abstinence, times of fasting, confession and acts of mercy to strengthen our faith and devotional disciplines. The goal of every Christian is to leave Lent a stronger and more vital person of faith than when we entered.

What is the difference between Lenten fasting and Lenten abstinence?

Lenten abstinence refers to abstaining from eating meat and Lenten fasting means limiting all food on a particular day.

When does Lent end?

Lent officially ends on Holy Thursday. That is when the "Triduum", great three Days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday occur leading to Easter. Easter is not only a day but an Octave (eight day) celebration leading to a Season of the Church, Easter Season, which ends on Pentecost.

FLU SEASON/ CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS

We have received medical advice on the precautionary measures we in the parish should take:

- Cover mouth and nose completely when coughing or sneezing
- Do not shake hands
- Receive Holy Communion on the palm of outstretched hand
- Do not receive Holy Communion on the tongue
- Wash hands often
- Do not touch eyes, nose, or mouth before washing

Prevention is better than cure!



REFUGEE SPONSOR PROGRAM FOR PARISHIONERS

The Office for Refugees is launching a program to assist parishioners who would like to sponsor a family member overseas who is a refugee. This program is intended to assist parishioners only. Interested parishioners of Annunciation of the BVM Parish, who would like to sponsor a family member, are asked to contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor prior to March 31. Please note that the Office for Refugees will look to the sponsoring family to provide the necessary funds for sponsorship.

A separate program is available to assist non-parishioners. Further information on the program to assist non-parishioners can be obtained by contacting the Office for Refugees directly.

OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP

7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

God says to all of us "be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy." The Second Vatican Council teaches us that we can reach holiness by gratefully acknowledging the gifts God has given us and cooperating with God in giving these gifts back for the service of the Church. Therefore, let us take some time to reflect on how we can become better stewards in our parish community so that we may move closer, through God's grace, towards holiness.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently: ***Fernando Malangen, Salvatore Cusimano, and Brian Beirne.***

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 26, 2020



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

8:00AM, 12:30PM, 7:30PM.

9:45AM (Schools Mass).

**Ashes will be Blessed and
Distributed at all Masses.**

***ASH WEDNESDAY IS A DAY OF
FAST & ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT.***

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

EVERY FRIDAY AT ANNUNCIATION PARISH AT 7:00PM
BEGINNING FEBRUARY 28TH



*Join us as we walk with Jesus from death to
new life. Make this traditional Lenten prayer
part of your personal Lenten program.*

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS



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

***Kyle Allan Douglas, Aria Khyla Harewood,
Romeo Julian Librado Nuguid.***

Please keep these children and their parents in your
prayers.



*"Faith grows when we invoke the Lord with
confidence, bringing to Jesus who we are, with
open hearts, without hiding our sufferings."*

-Pope Francis (@Pontifex)



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Ash Wednesday Schools' Mass

Wednesday, February 26th at 9:45AM in the Church

Senior Altar Server's Meeting

Saturday, February 29th at 11AM in the St. Pius X room

Pastoral Council

Monday, March 2nd at 7PM in the Parish Hall

First Holy Communion Parent's Meeting

Tuesday, March 3rd at 7PM in the Parish Hall

Altar Server Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 3rd at 7PM in the Parish Hall

CWL Executive Meeting

Thursday, March 5th at 1:30PM in the St. Pius X Room

Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions



February 23—February 29

In loving memory of
Richard Marchut, my beloved husband.
On the fifth anniversary of his death. Still much
missed and much loved. Rest In Peace.

With love from your wife Mary Marchut

In loving memory of our father,

Jeremias Oliveira.

You are always in our hearts.

Requested by the Oliveira Family

In loving memory of my cousin,

Andrea Clarke.

Forever in our hearts; please watch over us,
until we meet again. Always missed.

Requested by Mary

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