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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 8:30AM to 12:00 Noon, 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 the 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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

#### PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School416-393-5273Annunciation School416-393-5299St. Isaac Jogues School416-393-5315Senator O'Connor College School416-393-5505

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

"You are the light of the world."

#### **PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



**Monday, February 10th** is the *Memorial of St. Scholastica*, virgin.

**Friday, February 14th** is the *Feast of St. Cyril*, monk *and St. Methodius*, bishop.

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

#### MARRIAGE SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8-9, 2014

This Sunday the Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates Marriage Sunday. There will be a special Mass and reception with Cardinal Collins to be held on **Sunday February 9th at** 

**4:00PM at St. Paul's Basilica.** All are welcome to join in this celebration. Special blessings will be given to couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, and 60+ years of marriage in the 2014 calendar year.

#### WORLD DAY OF THE SICK FEBRUARY 11



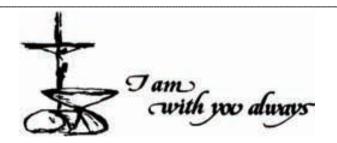
The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the church. February 11 (the memorial of our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suf-

fering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

#### **TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF CATHOLIC TRIVIA**



**Can you list the Ten Commandments?** (Check the next page for the answer!)



#### **The Sacrament of Matrimony**

## What is the plan of God regarding man and woman?

God who is love and who created man and woman for love has called them to love. By creating man and woman he called them to an intimate communion of life and of love in marriage: "So that they are no longer two, but one flesh" (*Matthew 19:6*). God said to them the blessing "Be fruitful and multiply" (*Genesis 1:28*). (# 337, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church).

# What does the Old Testament teach about marriage?

God helped his people above all through the teaching of the Law and the Prophets to deepen progressively their understanding of the unity and indissolubility of marriage. The nuptial covenant of God with Israel prepared for and prefigured the new covenant established by Jesus Christ the Son of God, with his spouse, the Church.

(# 340, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church).

#### What new element did Christ give to Matrimony?

Christ not only restored the original order of matrimony but raised it to the dignity of a sacrament, giving spouse a special grace to live out their marriage as a symbol of Christ's love for his bride the Church: "Husbands love your wives as Christ loves the Church" (Ephesians 5:25) (# 341, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church).

## Why is the Christian family called a domestic church?

The Christian family is called a domestic church because the family manifests and lives out the communal and familial nature of the Church as the family of God. Each family member, in accord with their own role, exercises the baptismal priesthood and contributes toward making the family a community of grace and of prayer, a school of human and Christian virtue and the place where faith is first proclaimed to children. (# 350, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church).

If you are a registered member of the parish and are newly engaged, wishing to be married, please contact the parish office.

# INSIDE Annunciation Church:

#### **MEETINGS**

#### **Pastoral Council Meeting**

Monday, February 10th at 7:30PM in the St. Pius X room.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Meeting:

Thursday, February 13th at 7:15PM in the St. Pius X room.



#### 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: *Louis Rotter*.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

#### **Pot Luck Dinner**

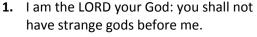
All Annunciation Ladies are invited to join us for a Pot Luck Dinner on **February 13th at 7:00PM**. Bring your family favourites and join us for an evening of Fellowship.

#### **Lenten Retreat**

All Annunciation Ladies are invited to join us for a Day of Reflection. The cost is \$30.00 per person and the tickets are on sale in the Religious Articles Booth. The event will be held at Scarborough Foreign Missions, 2686 Kingston Road on **Saturday, March 22nd 2014 from 9:30AM—3:00PM**. Lunch, refreshments and snacks will be provided.

#### **TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF CATHOLIC TRIVIA**

#### **ANSWERS:**



- 2. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
- 3. Remember to keep holy the LORD's day.
- **4.** Honour your father and your mother.
- **5.** You shall not kill.
- **6.** You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- **8.** You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
- **9.** You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.

#### SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION



The Grade 2 students of our parish will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the following dates:

Annunciation: Tuesday, February 18th at 7:00PM

Our Lady of Wisdom: Wednesday, February 19th at

7:00PM

St. Isaac Jogues: Thursday February 20th at 7:00PM.

**Public/Sunday School Children:** are to come to First Confession on any of the dates and time listed above (Tuesday, February 18th, Wednesday February 19th, or Thursday February 20th) at whichever evening is more convenient for the children and their family.

#### **CONFESSION BEFORE COMMUNION**

Catholics who are conscious of mortal sin must go to sacramental Confession before receiving Holy Communion. It is not strictly necessary to confess lesser or venial sins each time we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, but regular Confession is recommended by the Church and by the practice of the Saints. We encourage parents to take their children to confession, as a part of practicing of the faith.

Confessions at Annunciation: Every Saturday at 9:30AM & 4:00PM (at other times by appointment)



# Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

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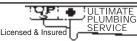
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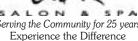
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