

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS - DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTION

Due to the lockdown and at the direction of the Archdiocese, the parish office is CLOSED to the public until further notice.

The parish office is still accessible by phone 416-445-1760 or email at parish@bvmtoronto.com

Due to the Provincial lockdown in the City of Toronto, as of Monday, November 23, weekday and Sunday masses at Annunciation Parish are cancelled until further notice.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday	Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday	8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon, 5:00pm, 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
Mass	12:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday by appointment only

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 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.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,
TORONTO, ONTARIO

*"Jesus was tempted by Satan;
and the Angels waited on him"*

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Monday, February 22nd is the *Feast of the
Chair of St. Peter, Apostle*



SEASON OF LENT



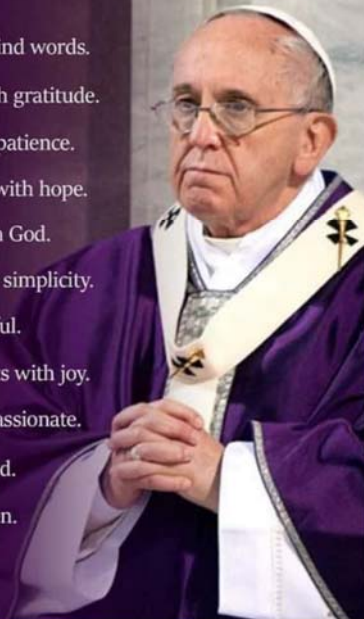
Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words; be silent and listen.



FRIDAY ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT
Solidarity in Faith—Solidarity in Sacrifice

SUNDAY MASS ONLINE



Annunciation Parish will record Sunday Mass online. Join us by visiting the parish website at www.bvmtoronto.com

PRIVATE PRAYER

Cardinal Collins wishes for the parishes to be open for private prayer. Those who wish to come to church for private prayer must register to do so for Monday, Wednesday or Friday morning.

The Province of Ontario has also declared a second state-of-emergency asking people to stay at home.

Dr. Peter Lin reminds us that this is a very dangerous time for the spread of the COVID-19 virus and that the elderly, those with pre-existing conditions (high blood pressure, diabetes, etc.), sick, or those who are vulnerable are strongly advised to stay at home.

Those who still wish to attend private prayer must register on-line through the parish website. The church doors will be closed at the beginning of private prayer and only 8 parishioners will be in the church at one time. Masks must be worn, social distancing observed, and all guidelines followed. Please visit www.bvmtoronto.com for more information.

2020 TAX RECEIPTS ARE IN PROCESS



This year the Archdiocese of Toronto will be mailing the tax receipt on behalf of the parish. They will begin printing and mailing in mid of February and parishioners can start expecting to receive it by the end of February.

If you've moved and haven't updated us within the last month, your tax receipt was most likely will be mail to your old address. We will forward it to your new address if it comes back to the office.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The 2021 Sunday Offering Envelopes are now available.

If you wish to pick-up your envelope box or you prefer it to be mailed, please contact the parish office at parish@bvmtoronto.com



ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRE-AUTHORIZE GIVING PLAN (PAG)

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of the parish through your regular parish offerings.

The work of our parish is made possible through the giving hearts of our parishioners. In response to the pandemic, changing lifestyles and demands on time and energy, the Archdiocese of Toronto seeks, through the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan to assist you in your giving.

Advantages for the donor:

- Convenience. Your offering is received automatically every month.
- Continual support of your parish when you are away.

Advantages for the Parish:

- Allows the parish to plan better through regular and dependable flow of contributions.
- Reduction of paperwork and bookkeeping.

If you wish to contribute through the Pre-Authorize Giving Plan (PAG), please contact the parish office at parish@bvmtoronto.com

WHAT IS STATIONS OF THE CROSS?



Following Jesus on his Way of the Cross by praying and meditating on the fourteen Stations is a very ancient devotion in the Church, which is practiced especially in Lent and Holy Week. [1674-1675]

- *Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church 2016*



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

February 20—February 27

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From beloved wife, Mary Marchut

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- Sign up as “I belong to a parish or organization”
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- Once you find our parish name, click and next.
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HAVE YOU MOVED?



If you have moved, please inform the Parish Office of your new contact information either by email at

parish@bvmtoronto.com or fill out a

Change of Address form at the parish website www.bvmtoronto.com. It is important that the parish have your current information for donation receipt purposes, as well to ensure our database is up-to-date.



We are now embarking on our #LentenJourney, which opens with the words of the prophet Joel. They point out the path we are to follow. We hear an invitation that arises from God: “Return to me with all your heart” (Joel 2:12). Lent is a journey of return to God.”

- *Pope Francis @Pontifex*

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