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The Church is open during the following hours:

Monday to Friday: 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

First Fridays: 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sundays: 7:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday - Vigil Mass - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
12:30 p.m., & 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday - 8:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m.

Public Holidays - 9:00 a.m. only

FIRST FRIDAYS

8:00 a.m. — Mass followed by Exposition

12:15 p.m. — Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

12:30 p.m. — Mass.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday - 9:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m.

(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.

CARE of the SICK

Visitation and/or Communion for the sick upon request.

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.

PRAYER GROUPS

Legion of Mary—Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School 416-393-5273

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
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Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



Friday, March 4th is the *Feast of St. Casimir*.

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

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

-March 4-

The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically. It recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, our community. This day of prayer is sponsored by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada and its national counterparts around the world.

Therefore, on this special day of prayer...

Annunciation C.W.L. invites all parishioners to attend World Day of Prayer Service.

Theme: "How Many Loaves Have You."

Friday, March 4th at 2:00PM

At Annunciation of B.V.M. Church

Refreshments will be served after the Prayer Meeting.

(a continuation from last week's bulletin issue)

THE THIRD COMMANDMENT:

REMEMBER TO KEEP HOLY THE LORD'S DAY

Why did God "bless the Sabbath day and declare it sacred" (Exodus 20:11)?

God did so because on the Sabbath day one remembers God's rest on the seventh day of creation, and also the liberation of Israel from slavery in Egypt and the Covenant which God sealed with his people. (#450, *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

How did Jesus act in regard to the Sabbath?

Jesus recognized the holiness of the Sabbath day and with divine authority he gave this law its authentic interpretation: "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath" (Mark 2:27). (#451, *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

For what reason has the Sabbath been changed to Sunday for Christians?

The reason is because Sunday is the day of the Resurrection of Christ. As "the first day of the week" (Mark 16:2) it recalls the first creation; and as the "eight day", which follows the Sabbath, it symbolizes the new creation ushered in by the Resurrection of Christ. Thus, it has become for Christians the first of all days and of all feasts. It is the *day of the Lord* in which he with his Passover fulfilled the spiritual truth of the Jewish Sabbath and proclaimed man's eternal rest in God. (#452, *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

How does one keep Sunday holy?

Christians keep Sunday and other days of obligation holy by participating in the Eucharist of the Lord and by refraining from those activities which impede the worship of God and disturb the joy proper to the day of the Lord or the necessary relaxation of mind and body. Activities are allowed on the Sabbath which are bound up with family needs or with important social service, provided that they do not lead to habits of prejudicial to the holiness of Sunday, to family life and health. (#453, *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

What is the civil recognition of Sunday as a feast day important?

It is important so that all might be given the real possibility of enjoying sufficient rest and leisure to take care of their religious, familial, cultural and social lives. It is important also to have an opportune time for meditation, for reflection, for silence, for study, and a time to dedicate to good works, particularly for the sick and for the elderly. (#454, *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

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Annunciation Church:

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:



CONFIRMATION SESSION #3:

The next confirmation session is on **Monday, February 28th at 7PM & Thursday, March 3rd at 7PM**, in the Parish Hall.

PASTORAL COMMITTEE



There's a meeting for members of the Pastoral Committee on **Monday, February 28th @ 7:00PM** in St. Pius X room.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING



There is a meeting for members of the Property Committee on **Tuesday, March 1st at 7:30PM** in the St. Cecilia Room.

ALTAR SERVERS COMMITTEE



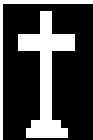
There's a meeting for members of the Altar Servers Parent Committee on **Monday, March 7th at 7:00PM** in the St. Pius X room.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



There's a meeting for members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on **Thursday, March 10th at 7:00PM** 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:

Joseph Difalco.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION



This weekend we take up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your continuing support of Annunciation.

ASH WEDNESDAY
MARCH 9TH, 2011



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

8:00AM, 10:00AM (School Mass), 12:30PM, 7:30PM

Ashes will be Blessed and Distributed at all Masses.

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

ANNUNCIATION 50TH ANNIVERSARY

50TH ANNIVERSARY CONTESTS:

To commemorate the year, we are holding a **50th Anniversary Logo Design contest** and a **50th Anniversary Children's Drawing contest**. The contests' criteria plus important logo submission details are available on the parish's website: **www.bvmtoronto.com** in the 50th Anniversary Section. In addition, these details and logo template packages will be available after masses this weekend at the church entrances. The winning logo will be displayed over the jubilee year.



Memorial Lamps
Special Intentions

February 27th — March 6th

Our lamps are lit:

- In loving memory of Robert Purdy, beloved husband and father. Requested by Kay Purdy and family.*

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