ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY **PARISH**

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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.

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

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. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. A Marriage Preparation Course is required. If either party has been previously married, the Bishop's Office must be consulted.

PRAYER GROUPS

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

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Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School 416-393-5273 Annunciation School 416-393-5299 St. Isaac Jogues School 416-393-5315 Senator O'Connor College School 416-393-5505

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

PARISH OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, DON MILLS, ONTARIO

BAPTISM OF THE LORD



On this Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Jesus invites us to join him symbolically in the waters of the Jordan River. He challenges us to renew the promises of our own personal baptism.

With Him we turn our backs on sin and Satan and give our hearts to our Father in heaven.

This feast day is a wonderful time to reflect on what it means to be Catholic.

THE HOLY FATHER'S MISSION PRAYER FOR JANUARY:



That every believer in Christ may be conscious that unity among all Christians is a condition for a more effective proclamation of the Gospel.

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



Tuesday, January 12th is the *Feast* of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, religious.

Join us in prayer in communion with St. Marguerite Bourgeoys and all saints in heaven at the 8:00 a.m. and 12:30 a.m. Masses on weekdays, and 9:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday.

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven and said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you

I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416-968-0997.



SUPPORT FOR RECENTLY SEPERATED OR DIVORCED CATHOLICS

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is offering a ten-week group program for adult men and women who are dealing with the many struggles involved in the process of separation and divorce. Participations will receive support and guidance as they move through this difficult period of transition. Some topics include: coping with loss and finding support, dealing with anger and shame and finding new beginnings. The groups will run on Tuesdays, starting February 16th, 2010 (evenings) and February 23rd, 2010 (days) at our North Office, 5799 Yonge St., Suite 300.

Dates & Times:

Group 1: February 16,2010 to April 20, 2010 (10 Sessions) Tuesday evenings 6:30p.m. to 8:30p.m.

Group 2: February 23,2010 to April 27, 2010 (10 Sessions) Tuesday mornings 10:00a.m. to 12noon.

Location: Catholic Family Services of Toronto (North Branch) 5799 Yonge St., Suite 300. (located in the Newtonbrook Plaza—Southeast Corner of Yonge St. and Cummer) For further information, please contact the facilitator, Mario Esposito (M.S.W., R.S.W.) at 416-222-0048.

WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF BAPTISM?



Baptism takes away original sin, all personal sins and all punishment due to sin. It makes the baptized person a participant in the divine life of the

Trinity through sanctifying grace, the grace of justification which incorporates one into Christ and into the Church. It gives one a share in the priesthood of Christ and provides the basis for the communion with all Christians. It bestows the theological virtues and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. A baptized person belongs forever to Christ. He is marked with the indelible seal of Christ (character). (Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, # 263).

THE NEEDY THANKS YOU!

On your behalf, the St. Vincent de Paul

Society of Annunciation Church helped 82 Adults and 188 children and young adults this past Christmas. Your donations supplied the needy with food vouchers, little children with handmade teddy bears, young children with a gift-wrapped toy, and young teens with gift certificates. A special thank you goes to the members of the Catholic Women's League who helped with the purchase and wrapping of the toys.

Looking back over the past year, 86 needy families with 123 children were provided with food and thrift store vouchers, as well as furniture. In total, Vincentians made 153 visits to our neighbours in need during 2009. Many eloquent thank-you notes in appreciation of your generosity were received.

Please remember, when making your kind contributions, you should be using St. Vincent de Paul envelopes, with your name and address printed clearly. The envelopes can be found alongside the donation boxes located in the church entrances.

Thank you for your continued generosity. We are your hands in distributing gifts and food vouchers to the needy. God bless you and keep you in His Light.



Memorial Lamps Special Intentions

January 10th—January 16th

Our lamps are lit:

- In loving memory of Cherry Ann. You will always be in our hearts. Requested by Mom and your son, Miguel.
- In loving memory of Alfredo Traballo. Deeply loved and missed. Requested by daughters, sons, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, and grandchildren.

<u>INSIDE</u> Annunciation Parish:

GRADE 8 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES CONFIRMATION SESSIONS Begin!



The first confirmation session begins this week.

Depending on the day you've chosen, Wednesday or Saturday, please attend on that day. Sessions take place in the

Parish Hall.

Wednesday's First Session: January 13th, 2010 @ 7:00PM—8:30PM

Saturday's First Session: January 16th, 2010

@ 10:30AM—12:00Noon

ANNUNCIATION SENIORS GROUP



The Annunciation Seniors Group will meet in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, January 19th, 2010. Come join us for a

morning of friendly get-together. Membership is only \$5.00 for the year.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those who have died recently: Raymond Furlan, Vera Kasowski.

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them O Lord, And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon them, May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

TO FEED THE HUNGRY



Did you know that Annunciation parishioners provide nourishing, homecooked meals for the Good Shepherd Centre? If you are willing to make a

frozen casserole dish once a month, please contact the parish office. We will provide metal pans and a recipe to follow. Just deliver your frozen dish to the office and we will store it until pick-up.

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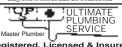
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