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ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS - DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTION

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

Monday-Friday 10AM-12PM and 1PM-3PM

Please book your seat for Mass online at bymtoronto.com
The Church opens 30 minutes before each Mass.
Please arrive at least 10 minutes before the Mass begins.
Church doors close when Mass begins.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon, 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 8:00am and at other times by appointment

BAPTISMS

Parents themselves should pick up and return a completed Baptism Information Form to the parish office at least 6 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.

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PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School	416-393-5273
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ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH, TORONTO, ONTARIO

"Jesus did the first of his signs in Cana of Galilee."

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



Monday, January 17th is the Memorial of St. Anthony, Abbot

Friday, January 21st is the Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyrs

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

ORDINARY TIMES



During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offers praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. On the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise, and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions.

Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from the apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's resurrection. Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the risen Lord.

2021 DONATION 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 January and parishioners can start expecting

to receive it by the end of January or on February.

If you've moved and haven't updated us within the last week, your tax receipt was most likely will be mailed to your old address. If we have your new address on record, 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. Thank you for your continuous support of our parish!



PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18-25. This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires.

The importance of unity among Christians and the responsibility of the people of each parish to work for this unity should be emphasized throughout the week.

This year's theme is, "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him" (Mt. 2:2).

In this annual celebration we are reminded that the unity of the Church is both a gift of Holy Spirit and a task for all Christians. "Change of heart and holiness of life, along with public and private prayer for the unity of Christians, should be regarded as the soul of the whole ecumenical movement, and merits the name, 'spiritual ecumenism'." (Unitatis redinegratio, 8).



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

January 15 — January 22

Our lamp(s) are lit:

In memory of **Christopher Blue**. It has been 17 years, yet I continue to seek truth and justice for you. May God's perpetual light shines upon you. Love you. Until we meet again.

Requested by your daughter, Lorraine Blue

In loving memory of **Antonio Figueira**. So deeply loved, missed and eternally cherished.

Requested by Dad, Mom, your loving sister Kerry Ann and your brother-in-law Lucio.

In loving memory of my parents, **Felicitas and Jose Dimatera** and all the faithful departed.

Requested by Glenda Dimatera and Maria Theresa Dimatera



ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



RE-OPENING OUR CHURCH DOORS FOR MASSES

Following the Public Health restriction to combat COVID-19, mask is mandatory to wear upon entering the church and everyone not living in the same household has to sit 2 metres apart. Public Health also requires us to keep a record of those who attended Mass and Sacramental ceremonies. Therefore, parishioners who wish to attend Weekday and/or Sunday Mass **must register online** through the parish website at www.bvmtoronto.com.

Weekday Mass Registration opens every Friday at 10:00 AM Sunday Mass Registration opens every Monday at 10:00 AM

Important Notes:

- Due to capacity restrictions, please book for only one Mass for each day that you wish to attend.
- Families from the same household will sit together, but each family member is required to have his/her own ticket.
- If you are unable to attend, please cancel your reservation online or contact the parish office during office hours to allow other parishioners to register and attend Mass.
- Every reasonable precaution has been and will continue to be taken by the parish to protect your health and safety. However, there can be no guarantees of complete protection as there will always be risks of contracting viral infection through large gatherings.
- Do not enter the church if you have been in contact with a COVID-19 positive individual over the past two weeks OR if you have any of the COVID-19 symptoms.
- Masks or face coverings are mandatory.
- There will only be one entrance into the church. Follow the signs marking the proper entrance.
- Come 15 minutes early before Mass starts. The church door close when Mass begins.
- Follow the direction provided by the ushers for seating.
- Sanitize your hands upon entry.
- Maintain physical distancing at all time (2m/6ft) away from others.

OMICRON - COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS

Due to the contagious nature and rapid spread of the Omicron Covid-19 virus and to keep our parish community safe the following restrictions will come into effect from **Monday, January 17th**:

- First Confessions, First Holy Communions, Confirmation, and Infant Baptisms will be postponed until the beginning of March.
- Those wishing to attend Weekday or Sunday Masses must register (book a seat). Seats for masses may be booked online at the parish website: <u>bvmtoronto.com</u>, or by phoning the parish office at the designated times.

Walking in will not be possible.

 Confessions will be on Wednesday evenings by appointment only. To book an appointment to speak with a priest or to go to confession, please go to the parish website: bvmtoronto.com

Thank you for your cooperation as we work to keep everyone in our parish community safe.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently: **Una Nathaniel and Susan Massey**

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Pope Francis has launched the Synod on Synodality: a two-year global process of listening to the faithful that will help the Church reflect on how we can do God's will in the world today. This synod is of great importance to the Holy Father and the universal church. It cannot succeed without the participation of the entire people of God. Please go online and give your input to the Synod Survey which can be found at www.archtoronto.org/synodality

MASS CARDS

You may arrange to have a Mass celebrated for a living and deceased person or for a special intention by contacting the parish office. The stipend is \$10.00. Please note Annunciation Parish does not provide Annunced Masses.



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