

# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday	8:30am to 12:00noon, 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 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.

**CARE of the SICK** Visitation and/or Communion for the sick upon request.

**LEGION OF MARY - Prayer group** Saturday Mornings at 10:00am.

**SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL** Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School	416-393-5273
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ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,  
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*"Today this Scripture has been fulfilled."*

**PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



**Monday, January 25th** is the *Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle.*

**Tuesday, January 26th** is the *Memorial of St. Timothy and St. Titus, Bishops.*

**Thursday, January 28th** is the *Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor.*

Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints and all saints in Heaven at the 8:00am and 12:30pm Masses on weekdays, and 9:00am on Saturday.

**PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: JANUARY 18—25**

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.



**Memorial Lamps  
& Special Intention**  
January 24th—30th

*Our lamps are lit:*

In loving memory of Vera Kasowski,  
our wonderful sister, aunt, cousin and friend.  
Sadly missed, always cherished.

Requested by: the Myers, Kasowski and Fortier  
families.

Ralph Alexander Myers, d. 1999.  
Our most loving husband, father and grandfather,  
remembered with love and grateful hearts.  
Requested by: Frances, Jonathan and Margaret,  
Annelise and Bran, Jake, Evan, Owen and Brennan.

In loving memory of Kathleen Ennis.  
Requested by: Michael and family.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2016**  
**Ecumenical Prayer Service**

Come and join in an ecumenical prayer service with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Chaldean Catholic Bishop Emanuel Shaleta, Evangelical Lutheran Bishop Michael Pryse, and other religious leaders on:  
Sunday, January 24th, 2016 at 4:00PM  
Good Shepherd Chaldean Church  
2 High Meadow Place  
(north-west of Finch Ave. and Hwy 400)

*For more information, please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at 416-934-3400 ext. 344 or ext.527 or [vkwok@archtoronto.ca](mailto:vkwok@archtoronto.ca).*

**MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2016**

In 2016, parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate Marriage Sunday on the weekend of February 6/7. Cardinal Collins has also announced a special archdiocesan-wide gathering to honour married couples that will take place on Saturday, February 13th, 2016 at 4:30PM at St. Andrew Kim's Parish in North York. His Eminence extends an invitation to all married couples, in particular those who will celebrate their 25th, 40th or 50+ wedding anniversary throughout 2016, to join him for Mass and a reception to honour their fidelity and faithfulness. Loved ones and family members of those honoured are most welcome to attend. To ensure special reserved seating for honoured couples, pre-registration is required. To register and for more information visit [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).

**ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY :**  
**"COME AND SEE" WEEKEND**

"The Love of Christ urges us on" to radically respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartily. Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him so that you may discover His call.

**February 26th to 28th, 2016**  
St. Augustine's Seminary

This will be an opportunity for young men of 18 years or older to spend a weekend for time of prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood. Please contact The Office of Vocations for further information.

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ASH WEDNESDAY

February 10, 2016



#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

8:00AM, 9:45AM (Schools Mass),  
12:30PM, 7:30PM

**Ashes will be Blessed and  
Distributed at all Masses.**

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

#### NEWS FROM THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

*"I see in my neighbour the Person of Jesus Christ."*  
- St. Gerard Majella

Members of the Annunciation Conference provide year-round assistance to our local 'neighbours-in-need'. With your generous on-going support, we are able to provide food, clothing and basic furniture to about 250 adults and children in our community.

Ninety-seven cents of every dollar you donate supports the work of the Annunciation Conference, as well as, conferences within the Toronto area.

For security reasons, be sure to make your donation following mass when ushers are nearby handing out church bulletins.

Thank you for helping turn concern into action through your continuing generosity.

#### BUILDING FUND COLLECTION



**Next weekend** we will take up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your continuous support.

#### PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING



Monday, January 25th at 7:30PM in the Parish Hall.

#### IMPORTANT LITURGICAL MEETINGS FOR LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND USHERS

All new and current Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Lectors are reminded to attend the following meetings as appropriate. All meetings take place in the Parish Hall.

**Eucharistic Ministers** meet on:

- Wednesday, January 27th at 7:30PM

**Ushers** meet on:

- Wednesday, February 10th at 7:30PM

**Lectors** meet on :

- Tuesday, February 16th at 7:30PM.

#### REFUGEE FAMILY SPONSORSHIP

A group of our parishioners are considering resettling a Syrian Refugee Family within our community. This Family would be sponsored by Project Hope campaign. Those who are interested in volunteering to serve on the Refugee Sponsorship Committee or in volunteering to assist the committee in the family's resettlement are invited to an information evening on Tuesday, January 26th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. A representative from the Office of Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto, will provide information on the requirements for volunteers.

#### CWL NEWS

January is Membership month, and the CWL executive is reminding all current (and previous) members who have not done so to renew their membership. The best deal in town, only \$20.00 for the full year. Sign-up in the Religious Articles Booth before or after mass each Sunday in January.

#### THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

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|------------------|---------------------|
| 1) Wisdom        | 5) Knowledge        |
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