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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 the priest. A Marriage Preparation Course is required. If either party has been previously married, permission to proceed must be obtained from the Archdiocese of Toronto—Chancery Office.

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

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: 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

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,
TORONTO, ONTARIO

*“The kingdom of God has come:
Repent, and believe in the good news”*

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



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

Wednesday, January 28th is the Memorial of *St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor.*

Saturday, January 31st is the Memorial of *St John Bosco, Priest.*

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

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
- January 18 to 25 -**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18-25, which are also the dates recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. 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 and should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS ON THE FAMILY

Later this year, the Holy Father will be holding a Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on *The Vocation and the mission of the family in the Church and in the contemporary world.*

Catholics are invited to share their reflections on topics highlighted in the *Lineamenta*, a document containing a list of questions to help prepare for the discussions during the Synod. A synthesis of responses will be sent to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops who will forward the information to the Vatican in preparation for the Synod.

All responses to the *Lineamenta* must be received no later than Monday, February 16, 2015. Please visit:

<http://www.archtoronto.org/synod/index.html> for more information.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

On Sunday, February 1st, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life *“There are men and women who can awaken the world. Consecrated life is prophecy. God asks us to fly the nest and to be sent to the frontiers of the world, avoiding the temptation to ‘domesticate’ them. This is the most concrete way of imitating the Lord.”*

- Pope Francis, on the occasion of his announcement that 2015 will be dedicated to consecrated life.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 1,000 religious men and women of over 100 different religious congregations. This World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God’s blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

There will be a special Mass next **Sunday, February 1 at 3:00PM** at St. Paul’s Basilica in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

**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.

January 30th to February 1st, 2015
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.

416-261-7135 vocations@vocations.ca



*I am
with you always*

INSIDE Annunciation Church:

In today's First Reading, the Lord sends Jonah to people of Nineveh to preach penance for sin. Let us consider how we can receive God's forgiveness.

When did Jesus institute the sacrament of Penance?

The risen Lord instituted this sacrament on the evening of Easter when he showed himself to the apostles and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (*John 20:22-23*). (# 298, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church).

What form does penance take in Christian life?

Penance can be expressed in various ways but above all in fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. These and many other forms of penance can be practiced in the daily life of a Christian, particularly during the time of Lent and on the penitential day of Friday. (# 301, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church).

What are the essential elements of the sacrament of Reconciliation?

The essential elements are two: the acts of the penitent who comes to repentance through the action of the Holy Spirit, and the absolution of the priest who in the name of Christ grants forgiveness and determines the ways of making satisfaction. (# 302, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church).

CWL: LOOSE CHANGE SUNDAY

This weekend is "Loose Change Sunday". Members of the CWL will be at the doors after all Masses this weekend to collect your loose change. Please be as generous as your means will allow. The amount collected will be divided among our Parish Schools to be used for school activities. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

UPCOMING MEETING



Finance Council: Monday, 26 January at 7:00PM in the St. Pius X room.

CHILDREN'S BOOK CART

Parishioners who are wishing to donate any new or gently used religious children's books are invited to leave them on the book cart in the foyer.

2014 TAX RECEIPTS ARE ON THE WAY!

Tax receipts for 2014 donations have been mailed out. You may have received or you will receive them in the near future. If you have any questions, please contact the parish manager.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



We pray for all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly for the reposed soul of: *Rosita Sanchez*.

A REMINDER TO CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: SECOND CONFIRMATION SESSIONS



Monday's Second Session:

February 2nd at 7:00PM

Tuesday's Second Session:

February 3rd at 7:00PM

Sessions take place in the Parish Hall.

Please attend on the day you have chosen only (Monday or Tuesday).

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION



The Grade 2 students of our parish will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the following dates:

St. Isaac Jogues: Wednesday February 4th at 7:00PM.

Our Lady of Wisdom: Tuesday, February 10th at 7:00PM

Annunciation: Tuesday, February 11th at 7:00PM

Public/Sunday School Children: are to come to First Confession on any of the dates and times listed above (Wednesday February 4th, Tuesday February 10th or Wednesday February 11th) at whichever evening is most convenient for the children and their family.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION



This weekend we will take up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your continuous support of the needs of Annunciation Parish.

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