

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

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*We Have Seen His Star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.*

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

TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL-BOARD WELCOMES NEW STUDENTS



STAR OF WONDER

Today we celebrate the **Feast of the Epiphany** that brings the Christmas season to a close. Scripture testifies that God set a star in the sky to proclaim the birth of his Son. The Wise Men or Kings who followed that star to the stable of Bethlehem represent all the nations of the world. With them we come to worship Jesus, our new-born king! *O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright, Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to the perfect Light!*

Children born in 2006 are eligible for a school this September. Registration will begin January 4, 2010. Registration is also being accepted for all other grades. *Our Lady of Wisdom offers Early French Emersion beginning in Senior Kindergarten.*

- Evening Open House Registration will be Wednesday, January 12, 2010 from 7-9pm. Please provide the following documents upon registration: Baptismal Certificate (if child is Non-Catholic a parental copy is acceptable), birth certificate, immunization record, health card, proof of residency (two pieces required), landed immigration papers (if applicable), work telephone #'s for parent(s), telephone # of a person in case of an emergency, doctor's telephone #.

WIN GREAT PRIZES!

It is time once again for the Friar's Student Writing Award. Student aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 24-31, 2010. The Theme for this coming year is "You are witnesses to these things" (Luke 24:48). First prize is an iPod touch (32GB memory), second prize is an iPod nano (16GB memory) and third to sixth prizes are a one-year subscription to The Catholic Register and other prizes. Essays will be published in the Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is January 11th, 2010. E-mail your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or FAX it to 416-934-2409. For further information call 46-934-3400, ext. 344 or 416-934-2410, ext. 407. Don't miss this opportunity.

Please call your nearest school for a registration appointment.

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Our Lady of Wisdom	416-393-5273

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid their homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park. 416-968-0997.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A Special Gift for married family, friends, or yourself this holiday season might be an inspiring, peaceful weekend at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre. The Centre offers privacy, comfort, excellent cuisine and a program that will enrich a marriage relationship. The next marriage enrichment program will be January 15th-17th, 2010. For information telephone: 905-278-8879 or 416-694-1742.

NEW YEAR FAMILY BLESSING

God in Heaven, look upon our family and keep us close to you. Grant that we may be like Jesus and support, comfort and help one another. Give us love like Mary's that we may nurture the presence of Jesus in each other and in all your people. Give us faith like Joseph's that we may care for one another and help those in need. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen!





**PRAYER FOR THE FAITHFUL
DEPARTED**

Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to rest in Christ, particularly: *Ernesto Ciarlariello*.

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

THE SHEPHERD'S CUP



The Church needs priests! A gold chalice, to be called the **Shepherd's Cup**, will circulate in the parish as a focus of prayer for vocations to the priesthood and prayer for our parish priests. Families and individuals are invited to host this chalice for one week. Suggested daily prayers will be provided. The Shepherd's Cup will be passed on after Communion at the 9:30 a.m. Mass each Sunday. Interested? Sign up at the Welcome Desk.

**THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION
FOR JANUARY :**



That young people may learn to use modern means of social communication for their personal growth and to better prepare themselves to serve society.



**Memorial Lamps
Special Intentions**

January 3rd—January 9th

Our lamps are lit:

- In loving memory of our daughter Rhea Christy De Juan. Requested by Dan and Rocelli De Juan.
- In loving memory of Lucina Trballo. Deeply loved & missed. Requested by daughters, sons, daughter in laws, son in laws, grandchildren.

**INSIDE
Annunciation Parish:**

**GRADE 8 CONFIRMATION FACILITATORS
& VOLUNTEERS MEETING**



A reminder to all Grade 8 Confirmation Facilitators and Volunteers. Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 6th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

**GRADE 8 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES
CONFIRMATION SESSIONS Begin!**



The first confirmation session begins next 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

RCIA TEAM MEETING



There will be a RCIA Meeting on Tuesday, January 5th, 2010 at 7:30PM in the Parish Hall.

OFFICE BACK TO NORMAL



The Christmas/New Year holiday season is officially over and our faithful secretary, Grace Hong, has returned to her post. We resume regular parish office hours this Monday, January 4th. Monday to Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturdays 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



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