

# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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## Parish Priests:

Fr. Jude Coyle  
Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan  
Fr. Xavier Raj Sam Michael

## Parish Staff:

Clarissa Adityani

## 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](mailto:parish@bvmtoronto.com)  
Monday-Friday 10AM-12PM and 1PM-3PM

## Please book your seat for Mass online at [bvmtoronto.com](http://bvmtoronto.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.

## SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

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TORONTO, ONTARIO

*“When Jesus had been baptized and was praying,  
the heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit  
descended upon him.”*

**PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



**Saturday, January 12th** is the Memorial of  
St. Maguerite Bourgeoys, Virgin

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.

**BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**



On the 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 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.*

**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](http://www.archtoronto.org/synodality)

**UNCLAIMED 2022 SUNDAY ENVELOPES**

There are still a number of unclaimed 2022 Sunday  
Envelope boxes in the parish office. If yours is among  
them, please contact the parish office or one of the  
ushers after the Mass. Thank you for your continuing  
support!

If you are not an envelope user and wish to have your  
own box, please contact the parish office by phone or  
email.



*baptism*

**WHY DOES THE CHURCH BAPTIZE INFANTS?**

The Church baptizes infants because they are born with  
original sin. They need to be freed from the power of the  
Evil One and brought into the realm of freedom which  
belongs to the Children of God. (# 258, *Compendium of  
the Catechism of the Catholic Church*).

**WHAT IS REQUIRED OF ONE WHO IS TO BE  
BAPTIZED?**

Everyone who is to be baptized is required to make a  
profession of faith. This is done personally in the case of  
an adult or by the parents and by the Church in the case  
of infants. Also the godfather or godmother and the  
whole ecclesial community share the responsibility for  
baptismal preparation (catechumenate) as well as for the  
development and safeguarding of the faith and grace  
given at baptism. (# 259, *Compendium of the Catechism of  
the Catholic Church*).

**IS BAPTISM NECESSARY FOR SALVATION?**

Baptism is necessary for salvation for all those to whom  
the Gospel has been proclaimed and who have had the  
possibility of asking for this sacrament. (# 261,  
*Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*).

**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: **Norma Orian**

**FRIAR’S STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2022**

It is time once again for the Friars’ Student Writing  
Award. Students aged 13-19 are invited to submit a 450-  
500-word essay for the Week of Prayer for Christian  
Unity, celebrated from January 18 to 25, 2022.

This year, the theme and the resources for the Week of  
Prayer for Christian Unity 2022 have been prepared by  
the Middle East Council of Churches based in Beirut,  
Lebanon. The theme of the contest is: “We saw the star in  
the East, and we came to worship him” (Mt.2:2). The  
deadline for the writing contest is Monday, February 14,  
2022 at 2 p.m.



## 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](http://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.

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- Type in **[www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)** on your browser.
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- Once you find our parish name, click next. You will be prompted to the next page to create an account. Enter your name and email address.
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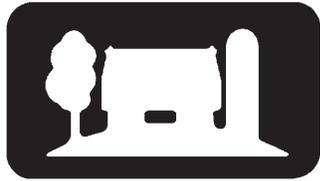
January 8 —January 15

Our lamp(s) are lit:

**In loving memory of my parents  
Mr and Mrs S. F. George Tsang,  
brother Arthur Yiu Wing Tsang,  
sister Anna Tsang and Helper Ah Yue.**

Requested by Mr Y. L. Tsang and his wife Tammy Tam, Agnes Tsang and her husband Bryan Lee, Alan Tsang and his wife Jasmine Kwan





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