ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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Parish Priests:

Fr. Jude Coyle

Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan

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# PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday-Friday Saturday, Sunday, Public Holiday

# Parish Staff:

Clarissa Adityani Brenda Parenteau

Brenda Parent

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10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-8:00pm 10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm Closed 10:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm Closed

# The Church opens 35 minutes before each Mass

**SUNDAY MASSES** Saturday Sunday

Vigil 5:00pm 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon, 7:00pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday Saturday Public Holiday 8:00am & 12:30pm 9:00am 9:00am only

FIRST FRIDAYS Mass followed by Exposition Mass

8:00am 12:30pm

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

9:30AM (at other times by appointment)

# BAPTISMS

Saturday

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.

# CARE of the SICK

Visitation and/or Communion for the sick upon request.

# SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

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

"Jesus' face shone like the sun."

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are a 14-step Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ's last day on Earth as a man. The 14 devotions, or stations, focus on specific events of His last day, beginning with His condemnation.

The stations are commonly used as a mini pilgrimage as the individual moves from station to station. At each station, the individual recalls and meditates on a specific event from Christ's last day. Specific prayers are recited, then the individual moves to the next station until all 14 are complete.

The Stations of the Cross are commonly found in churches as a series of 14 small icons or images. They can also appear in church yards arranged along paths. The stations are most commonly prayed during Lent on Wednesdays and Fridays, and especially on Good Friday, the day of the year upon which the events actually occurred.

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT



Join us as we walk with Jesus from death to new life. Make this traditional Lenten prayer part of your personal Lenten program.

Every Friday at Annunciation Parish at 7:00PM

## **NO FLOWERS PLEASE**

Please note that during Lent, there are no flowers or decorations displayed in the Church. We kindly ask you to not place flowers in the Church (i.e., by the foot of the statues). Thank you.

# COME AND SEE—WEEKEND RETREAT

Saturday, March 17th (6:30pm) until Sunday, March 19 (2:30pm) at St. Augustine's Seminary: Inviting single Catholic men 18 years of age or older to a time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.

Register online at <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee</u>

# THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

*For victim of abuse* ~ We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



The first ShareLife Sunday is March 26th. ShareLife has set our parish goal for this year's campaign at \$100,000.

Today's second reading calls us to a holy life, not according to our works, but according to God's own design and the grace bestowed on us. Our annual ShareLife campaign calls us to live according to God's will and show our love to our brothers and sisters in this season of almsgiving.

More than 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies are supported through your generosity. Without your contributions, more than 150,000 people would not receive the hope offered through the important works of these agencies.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at <u>sharelife.org/</u><u>donate</u>

## TURKEY AND SYRIA EARTHQUAKE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF

Two devastating earthquakes and hundreds of violent aftershocks in Turkey and Syria have caused great destruction in both countries. The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through Catholic partners (including Caritas Canada, Aid to the Church in Need, CNEWA, and Jesuits International) to support relief efforts underway.

# Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>
- By phone through the Development Office 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Annunciation Parish – Turkey and Syria Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief

Please continue to pray for those who have died and for those displaced because of this tragic disaster in both Turkey and Syria.

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

# DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME Sunday, March 12th, 2023



Please remember to turn your clocks forward one hour before heading off to bed next Saturday, March 11th.

# **CWL REFLECTION OF SPIRITUAL READING**

The Catholic Women's League is sponsoring a "Reflection of Spiritual Reading" group, starting Tuesday, March 14th at 1:00PM in the Pius X room. This event will be open to ten people, but priority will be given to members of the CWL.

If you are interested, please contact Helen Lewis, at *hklewis\_123@hotmail.com* 

# **CONFIRMATION SESSIONS 3**

A reminder to registered Confirmation candidates:



3rd Confirmation Session:

Monday, March 6th and Wednesday, March 8th at 7:00PM-9:15PM

All sessions will take place in the Parish Hall. Please attend only on the day you have chosen.

## **2023 SUNDAY MISSALS**



Sunday Missals for 2023 are available for purchase during office hours or from the staff during Sunday morning Masses. Missals are \$5.00 each.

# **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 Announced Masses.

# REQUESTING AN UPDATED BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE

If you wish to obtain an updated Baptismal certificate, please contact the parish office during the weekdays from Monday to Friday. Please allow up to 2 to 4 business days in obtaining the requested certificate. You must provide a valid photo ID when picking up the document, before the certificate can be released to you (i.e. Driver's License, Passport, or Birth Certificate).

# 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: **Gordon Spooner.** 

# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE SELECTION March 4/5 & 11/12

A reminder to the parents of children who are already registered for the First Holy Communion: **The First Holy Communion date selection will be on the weekend of March 4/5 and March 11/12** <u>after every Sunday obligation mass at the</u> **Welcome desk in the Parish foyer.** 

Important note: it is first come first serve basis!

# **MEMORIAL LAMPS & SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

The Sanctuary lamps that burn next to the tabernacle may be lit for one week as memorial or special intentions. Prayer requests will be listed on the bulletin. The offering is \$25 per lamp. To reserve a lamp, please contact or visit the parish office for details.



# Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

March 5 — March 11

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

> In loving memory of our parents, Jose & Felicitas Dimatera he Lord grant them peace and eterna

May the Lord grant them peace and eternal rest in God's kingdom. Both of you will always be in our heart forever.

