

# 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,  
TORONTO, ONTARIO.

*"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."*

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

**Evangelization:** *Formation in Spiritual Discernment* ~  
That the Church may appreciate the urgency of  
formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal  
and communitarian levels.

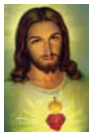
**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER  
MARCH 2**

The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first  
Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause  
and pray together ecumenically. This recalls our Christian  
responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so  
that we might bring a more authentically Christian  
dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, and  
our community.

*"Pray without expecting an answer and you won't likely be  
disappointed. We must actively, expectantly, persistently  
count on God to do all He has promised: to meet our needs  
(Phil. 4:19), to give us wisdom (James. 1:5), to never leave  
us nor forsake us (Heb. 13:5) and so much more. But far  
too often the seeming impossibility of a situation causes us  
to doubt. God cannot lie (Titus 1:2), and we must learn to  
count on Him to be true to His word"*

- Source: Bulletin Inserts by James McAlister

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS**



Friday, March 9th is the First Friday of the month.  
Masses will be celebrated at 8:00AM and 12:30PM.  
The church will be open all morning for adoration  
of the Blessed Sacrament and personal prayer. Our  
period of adoration ends with Benediction at 12:15PM in  
honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Come and spend time  
in the presence of the Lord.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REMINDER  
March 10th/11th and 17th/18th**

A reminder to the parents whose children are receiving  
their *First Holy Communion* this year. The card must be  
signed by a parent/guardian and returned to the Parish  
Welcome Desk at least 30 minutes prior to the beginning  
of Mass that the child is schedule to receive his/her First  
Holy Communion. First Holy Communion cards are  
available **for the next two weekends** at the welcome desk.

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER  
SCHEDULE 2017**

**Sunday, March 25th  
PALM SUNDAY**

Masses: 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil Mass—April 24th),  
8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM, & 7:00 PM

**Monday, March 26th**

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

***Penance Service & Individual Confessions at 7:00 PM***

**Tuesday, March 27th & Wednesday, March 28th**

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

**Thursday, March 29th**

**HOLY THURSDAY**

Mass of the Lord's Supper—8:00 PM  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight  
Parish Office Hours: 8:30 AM—12:00 Noon

**Friday, March 30th**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

Celebration of the Lord's Passion—  
1:00 PM and 3:00 PM  
Stations of the Cross—7:00 PM  
Parish Office Closed

**Saturday, March 31st**

**HOLY SATURDAY**

Easter Vigil Mass—8:00 PM  
Parish Office Closed

**Sunday, April 1st**

**EASTER SUNDAY**

Masses at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM  
(No 7:00PM Mass)

**Monday, April 2nd**

**EASTER MONDAY**

Mass at 9:00AM ONLY.  
Parish Office Closed

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT  
EVERY FRIDAY AT 7:00 PM**



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

**God links us together with Love.**

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### REFUGEE COMMITTEE REQUEST

Our sponsored Syrian Christian refugee family of four adults will arrive in Canada on March 12. Please help us give them a good start by donating new or used (in good condition) household items (example: furniture, kitchen items, linens and etc.) and we will arrange to collect them from you.

**Please do not bring the items to the church.**

See the yellow poster on the bulletin board for more details.

Email us at: [refugee.committee2018@gmail.com](mailto:refugee.committee2018@gmail.com) or call Heather (416-948-3653) or Clare (416-444-6075) to let us know how you can help. Thank you!

### CALL FOR CONSCIENCE CAMPAIGN—SUNDAY SIGN-UP March 3rd/4th

Cardinal Collins is requesting for email addresses from Catholic members so that he may contact you directly on important matters regarding freedom of conscience. We are asking our elected MPPs and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide. Please visit: <http://bit.ly/>

**SignUpSundayRegistration** to register yourself for this initiative. Thank you for living a faith that acts!

## Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions



*March 4th to  
March 10th*

*In loving memory of Michael Flaherty.*

*March 4, 2012.*

*We think of you everyday and  
you are always with us.*



*I am  
with you always*

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### Altar Server's Committee Meeting

Monday, March 5th at 7:00PM in the St. Pius X Room.

#### Women's Spirituality Group

Tuesday, March 6th at 1:00-4:00PM in the St. Pius X Room.

### MOTHERS GROUP MEETING

**Thursday, March 8th at 7:00PM**

On Thursday, March 8th at 7:00PM we will be having a meeting in the St. Pius X Room. Please join us for prayer, tea and conversation. We would love to meet you!

### SENIOR MEN'S HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT (GRADES 11 & 12)

**Saturday March, 17 2018 at 9:00AM to 5:00PM**

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto on Saturday March, 17 from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. This retreat will provide time to pray, interact and socialize with other young Catholic men. Seminarians will deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. The day includes Holy Mass, Adoration and Confession.

Registration for the retreat is to be done online at: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca) (under Programs).

For more information, please call the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997 or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

### COME AND SEE WEEKEND

**Friday, March 23 at 6:30PM to  
Sunday, March 25 at 1:30PM**

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). Registrants 17 years old require parental consent. For more information, please contact (the Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997; email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).



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