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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 8:00pm
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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.

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Pope Francis reminds us that this is the year of mercy. How do we extend the hands of Christ to others in our daily lives? For some, it may be caring for an elderly relative, volunteering at a soup kitchen, or helping to collect food or raise funds for charity. In our busy society, many of us do not have the time to actively participate, and as such we rely on the many agencies within our community to provide love, care and support to those in need. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, our annual ShareLife appeal provides resources to over 40 agencies, bringing much needed programs and services to those both here in our communities and around the world. Collectively, through our support, we share in their success in making a positive difference in the lives of those they serve.

Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, consider your ability to help your brothers and sisters in Christ, and make a contribution to our annual appeal. You will be helping to make a difference—indeed you will be working wonders!

**Next Sunday, March 13, 2016 is ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously. You can work wonders!**

ANNUAL MASS OF ST. PATRICK

The Annual Mass of St. Patrick will be celebrated on Thursday, March 17th at 10:00AM at St. Paul's Basilica (83 Power Street, Toronto). The Celebrant and Homilist is

Bishop John A. Boissonneau, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto.

PARKING AT THE CHURCH

Please remember there is **absolutely no parking at anytime between the lanes marked "No Parking" and the driveway in front of the church. It is a fire route!**

A limited number of handicap spots are available for those with **valid permits**.

FRIDAY ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT
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HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE 2016

Sunday, March 20th

PALM SUNDAY

Masses: 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil Mass—March 19th),
8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM, & 7:00 PM

Monday, March 21st

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

Penance Service & Individual Confessions at 7:00 PM

Tuesday, March 22nd & Wednesday, March 23rd

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

Thursday, March 24th

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 25th

GOOD FRIDAY

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

Saturday, March 26th

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil Mass—8:00 PM
Parish Office Closed

Sunday, March 27th

EASTER SUNDAY

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

Monday, March 28th

EASTER MONDAY

Mass at 9:00AM ONLY
Parish Office Closed

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

**EVERY FRIDAY AT ANNUNCIATION PARISH
@ 7:00PM**



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

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS...



The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism: *Elizabeth May Ebor, Alessia Rocchina Lamanna, Aliyah Kyle Calacsan Saplan*. Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers.

A REMINDER TO CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: THIRD CONFIRMATION SESSIONS



Grade 7s Third Session:

March 7th and 8th at 7:00PM

All sessions take place in the Parish Hall. Please attend only on the day you have chosen (Monday or Tuesday). Students absent from last week's sessions are asked to attend this week.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING



A reminder to parents of children preparing to make their First Holy Communion in the spring, the third preparatory meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16th at 7:30PM in the Parish Hall.

USHERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers who are interested in Ushering at the 12:30PM mass. If interested, please stop by the welcome desk or Parish Office to pick up a volunteer form.

CONFESSIONS FOR EASTER

LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE:

Monday, March 21st at 7:00PM
*Followed by Individual Confessions.
There will be many priests available
to hear confessions on this evening.*

DAY OF CONFESSION:

Monday, March 7th
8:30AM—10AM, 2PM—4PM, & 6PM—8PM
*A priest will be available to hear confessions during
these times.*

Today's Gospel speaks of the Parable of the Prodigal Son. Let us remind ourselves of the importance of prayer and repentance during this Lenten Season.

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.

What is the effect of this sacrament?

The effects of the sacrament of Penance are: reconciliation with God and therefore forgiveness of sins; reconciliation with the Church; recovery, if it has been lost, of the state of grace; remission, at least in part, of the temporal punishment which is the consequence of sin; peace, serenity of conscience and spiritual consolation; and an increase of spiritual strength for the struggle of Christian Living.

Source: #302, 310— Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

ALTAR SERVER COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, March 9th at 7:00PM in the St. Pius X room.



Memorial Lamps & Special Intention March 6th — 12th

Our lamps are lit:

In loving memory of Michael Flaherty.
You are always with us!
Requested by: the Flaherty and Marlatt Families.

In loving memory of Harold Lin.
We love you and you are always in our hearts.
Requested by: Henrietta Lin and family.

In loving memory of Doris and Russ Rossell.
We will always remember Mom & Dad,
Grandma & Papa, with special love as we celebrate
our birthdays this week.
Requested by: Mary and Paul Houston and family.

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