ANNUNCIATION OFTHE 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

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

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."



PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Friday, May 26th the Memorial of St. Philip Neri, Priest

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.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Ascension is the ascent of Jesus Christ into heaven on the 40th day after his Resurrection. The feast has been celebrated 40 days after Easter in both Eastern and Western Christianity since the 4th century. Prior to that time, the Ascension was commemorated as a part of the celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

The meaning of the Ascension for Christians is derived from their belief in the glorification and exaltation of Jesus following his death and Resurrection, as well as from the theme of his return to God the Father. Thus, the Gospel According to John uses both the sayings of Jesus and his post-Resurrection appearances to indicate a new relationship between Jesus and his Father and between him and his followers, rather than a simple physical relocation from earth to heaven.

"Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into Heaven; let our hearts ascend with Him." - St. Augustine

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH IN CHINA May 24

In May 2007, Pope Benedict XVI asked that May 24 be observed as a Day of Prayer for the church in China. He chose this day since it is the traditional Feast of Our Lady of Help of Christians, venerated at the Shrine of Sheshan in Shanghai.

WELCOME TO THE PRIESTHOOD

On Saturday, May 13, 2023, Archbishop Francis Leo ordained seven transitional deacons with the Sacrament of Holy Orders as priests who will serve in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

As a faith community, we invite you to pray for all those who continue to serve and, in a special way, our newly ordained priests: Rev. Sávio Bruto da Costa, Rev. Sean Jacob, Rev. Mirko Ljuba, Rev. Carlos Marquez, Rev. Cole Powers, Rev. John Wang and Rev. Matthew Wang.

Let us also pray for those who are currently in formation to the priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary and at the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

We give thanks to God for all those who have answered the call to serve the Church through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life.



2023 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN Ascension of the Lord—May 21, 2023

ShareLife and World Communications Day

On this World Communications Day, your support of ShareLife is improving the lives of Deaf people in our community.

More than 60% of families with a Deaf child do not know or use a signing language. Silent Voice, a ShareLife agency, is able to provide an array of accessible programs and services, responding to the needs of Deaf adults, youth, children, infants, and their families in American Sign Language (ASL). This is because of you. The help and support you give brings hope and changes many lives. Thank you for your generosity.

> To date our parish has raised: <u>\$44,015.6</u> Thank you for your support to ShareLife!

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY May 21

Today Catholics are invited to reflect upon the media of social communication (films, radio, television, newspaper, audiovisuals) and how these influence our lives.

The media can promote values that lead to a more fully human society. The Church's ministry is twofold. The media can be used to promote the Gospel. At the same time, as receivers of the materials presented by the media, the faithful have duty to support and promote worthwhile presentations on media and reject those which promote values contrary to spiritual growth. MAY 21, 2023

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



VICTORIA DAY LONG WEEKEND

Monday, May 22th is Victoria Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9AM only. The parish office is closed. Voicemail messages and email correspondences will be returned in the following work days. Have a wonderful and safe long weekend!



CWL MOTHER'S DAY TEA Sunday, May 28th

The Catholic Women's League invites members of the parish to the Mother's Day Tea on Sunday, May 28th at 1:30PM in the Parish Hall.

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: **Arnold Bravo**



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

May 21—May 27

In loving memory of **Juanita Espinoza**

on her birthday in heaven. Loving wife, mother, grandmother. You may be gone but never forgotten. Forever missed.

Requested by Rosito and Arturo Espinoza, Mary, Alyssa, Abigail, Karissa

In loving memory of Hing Kwok Chung, Elizabeth Chuong, Jean Chung, Yie Hok, Tjia Yuk Lam.

Requested by Peter Chung & Jenny Chung



THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY – May 27/28

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will be collecting used clothing and household linens, to support the needy of our residential programs. The truck will be open on:

Saturday, May 27th, from 4:30PM to 6:00PM; Sunday, May 28th, from 7:30AM to 2:00PM; Sunday, May 28th, from 6:30PM to 8:00PM

Volunteers will be there to assist with loading before and after each Mass. Please bring your donation and help others in your community.

Thank you for your clothing, shoes and linen donation **only**!

CWL BUS TRIP TO OUR LADY OF GRACE SHRINE AT MARYLAKE

Annunciation CWL is pleased to announce a bus trip to Our Lady of Grace Shrine at Mary Lake. Inviting all parishioners to join us on **Saturday, June 10th from 9:00AM to 4:00PM**, the cost is \$40 per person. Father Joseph will celebrate the Mass. Please bring your own lunch. For more information, contact Marguerite at 416-391-5715. Come say the Rosary with us.

2023 SUNDAY MISSALS

Sunday Missals for 2023 are available for purchase during office hours, from the staff or the Religious Article Booth during Sunday morning Masses. It is \$5.00 each.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2023 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product of service. Call Liturgical Publication at 905-624-4422.



