

# 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
Annunciation School	416-393-5299
St. Isaac Jogues School	416-393-5315
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*"I am the way, and the truth, and the life."*

**WISHING ALL OUR MOTHERS A  
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

**PRAYER TO THE MOTHER OF THE LORD  
FOR ALL MOTHERS — MAY 14TH**

Father God, we thank you for each and every women you have blessed with the privilege of motherhood. We thank you that each mother is a Godly steward of each of their children, and that they raise them in ways of the Lord. Father, we pray and ask that You continue to give them grace to walk out being a single parent with kindness and generosity. We pray that each mother has a relationship with You, and worships You in spirit and truth.

Help each of your precious daughters to remember that although they are not parenting alone, we pray you give each mom strength. Help her to see in every mundane task the eternal, cosmic significance that you place on motherhood.

Lord, give each mother a worshipful reverence of you the Creator and Sustainer of life. Help each mother rest in the knowledge that they are but stewards of your children and that only your Spirit can produce change into the hearts of each boy and girl. May each mother find rest in you.

We pray and ask these things in your name.  
Amen.



**1733** The more one does what is good, the freer one becomes. There is no true freedom except in the service of what is good and just. The choice to disobey and do evil is an abuse of freedom and leads to "the slavery of sin."

**1732** As long as freedom has not bound itself definitively to its ultimate good which is God, there is possibility of *choosing between good and evil*, and thus of growing in perfection or of failing and sinning. This freedom characterizes properly human acts. It is the basis of praise or blame, merit or reproach.

- Source Catechism of the Catholic Church

**Living the Gospel by welcoming refugee families to Canada...**

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**Last year, the ShareLife-supported Office For Refugees assisted 6,000 people with their resettlement needs.**

**OUR PARISH TOTAL TO DATE:**

**\$69,287.85**

Thank you for your generosity

**Next ShareLife Sunday is June 4, 2017.  
Please give generously.**

**The Pope's Pastoral Works  
May 21**

This collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One-third of the donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need. Two-thirds of the collection is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church (see Canon 1271). Information about how Peter's Pence is used, as well as donations in response to Canon 1271, is available in the Holy See's yearly financial report.

"Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully a part of society. This demands that we be docile and attentive to the cry of the poor and to come to their aid. ... The old question always returns: 'How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods, and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?' (1 Jn 3.17)." - Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, 187



## ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CWL NEWS

#### GENERAL MEETING

On Thursday May 18th, at 7:00PM the CWL General Meeting. We will be hosting a casual supper in the Church Hall. This event is for CWL Members only. Come out and join with us.

#### CLOSING BRUNCH

On Sunday June 4th marks the final event for our current year. As usual, we will hold the closing catered Brunch in the Parish Hall. Our Guest Speak will be PFC MacDonald who will give us a brief resume of a Policeman's duties and responsibilities while serving in the Toronto Police Force.

Constable MacDonald has expressed a willingness to answer questions but they must be left in the booth at the time of payment in order for them to be cleared with his Superior Officer.

This event is open to all Parishioners (male and female). Tickets for this event must be purchased in advance. **No tickets will be sold at the door.**

Date: **Sunday, June 4th**

Time: **12:30PM**

Place: **Parish Hall**

Cost: **\$25.00 per person**

### SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL — ANNUNCIATION CONFERENCE

For over 180 years volunteer members of the Society around the world, called Vincentians have chosen to respond to Christ's call to know Him and serve Him by serving the most vulnerable in our communities. The Society is for people who feel a need to improve their Christian life and view the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul as a means to accomplish this end. It requires a compassionate person who sees this service as a way to act on their faith. We do this by using the money collected in the poor box to provide food, clothing and basic furniture to those in need sometimes on an emergency basis and sometimes for longer periods. We meet once a month and make home visits as required. If you are interested in giving back to the community and joining our Conference, please call the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul number on our Church Bulletin 416 657 2989. Also check out the website for more information: [www.ssvptoronto.ca](http://www.ssvptoronto.ca).

### ANNUNCIATION'S SENIORS GROUP



A reminder... seats are still available for our trip to **Niagara Falls on May 16th**.  
\$20.00 per person.  
Contact Chuck Gouett: 416 491 5844.

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE FALL 2017

The Marriage Preparation Course will take place on Wednesday evenings from **September 27, 2017—November 15, 2017** from 7:30PM to 9:30PM in Annunciation Parish Hall. The completion of this course is a necessity for all couples who wish to be married at a Catholic Church. Please call or visit the Parish Office to register.

### PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently: Sheila McMaster.

### GIFT OF SECURITIES — A NEW WAY TO HELP

Do you have securities that have gone up in value? Do you already give to your parish and the Catholic community? Consider the potential tax savings of donating securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds). For more information please contact the Parish office or the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416 934 3411 or email [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org), website: [www.archtoronto.org/development](http://www.archtoronto.org/development).



## Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

*May 14th to May 20th*

*In loving memory of my parents  
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Always in my heart and prayers  
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Requested by daughter Alina.*

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