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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
Senator O'Connor College School	416-393-5505

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH,
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*"All authority in heaven and on earth
has been given to me."*

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



Wednesday, May 31st is *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Thursday, June 1st is *Memorial of St. Justin, Martyr*

Saturday, June 3rd is *Memorial of St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs*

Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints and all the saints in Heaven at the 8:00AM and 12:30PM Masses on weekdays, and 9:00AM Mass on Saturday.

543 Everyone is called to enter the kingdom. First announced to the children of Israel, this messianic kingdom is intended to accept men of all nations. To enter it, one must first accept Jesus' word:

The word of the Lord is compared to a seed which is sown in a field; those who hear it with faith and are numbered among the little flock of Christ have truly received the kingdom. Then by its own power, the seed sprouts and grows until the harvest.

544 The kingdom belongs to the poor and lowly, which means those who have accepted it with humble hearts. Jesus is sent to "preach good news to the poor"; he declares them blessed, for "theirs is the kingdom of heaven." To them — the "little ones" — the Father is pleased to reveal what remains hidden from the wise and the learned. Jesus shares the life of the poor, from the cradle to the cross; he experiences hunger, thirst, and privation. Jesus identifies himself with the poor of every kind and makes active love toward them the condition for entering his kingdom.

545 Jesus invites sinners to the table of the kingdom: "I can not call the righteous, but sinners." He invites them to that conversion without which one cannot enter the kingdom, but shows them in word and deed his Father's boundless mercy for them and the vast "joy in heaven over one sinner who repents." The supreme proof of his love will be the sacrifice of his own life "for the forgiveness of sins"

547 Jesus accompanies his words with many "mighty works and wonders and signs," which manifest that the kingdom is presented in him and attest that he was the promised Messiah.

- Source Catechism of the Catholic Church

ASCENSION SUNDAY

Living the Gospel by providing a summer camp experience for young boys...

During his years as a young camper at Camp Ozanam, Niro experienced significant moments of personal growth in his life, which had a lasting impact on him. Later on, he became a staff counselor at Camp Ozanam, where he now has the opportunity to become involved in and positively influence the lives of current camp participants. "When you are with your brothers at camp, it is okay to show your feelings. These memories become important, because these kids really get to know each other and stand by each other. Thank you, ShareLife, for all the world you do to make this possible at Camp Ozanam!" says Niro.

Last year, ShareLife-supported Camp Ozanam provided a unique camping experience for 600 boys from underprivileged homes in the GTA.

OUR PARISH TOTAL TO DATE:

\$73,566.95

Thank you for your generosity

Next ShareLife Sunday is next weekend

June 4, 2017.

Please give generously.

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

MAY 28

Today Catholics are invited to reflect upon the media of social communication (films, radio, television, newspapers, 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 help promote the Gospel. At the same time, as receivers of the materials presented by the media, the faithful have a duty to support and promote worthwhile presentations on media and reject those which promote values contrary to spiritual growth.

REQUESTING A REFERENCE LETTER

If you would like to have a Pastoral Reference Letter, please note: a pastoral reference letter may only be issued to parishioners of Annunciation Parish known personally to the Pastor. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor six months in advance by booking an appointment through the parish office.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

50TH ANNIVERSARY — ST. ISAAC JOGUES SCHOOL

Attention past and present students, staff members and families:
St. Isaac Jogues C.S is marking it's 50th Anniversary on **Saturday June 3, 2017**. All are welcome to attend the celebration which will begin with mass at 10:00AM at **Annunciation of the BVM**, and continue afterwards with a **reception and BBQ at St. Isaac Jogues C.S.** Connect with us on Facebook or call the school at 416 393 5315 for more about this event.

CWL NEWS — 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**

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: Michael Joseph Ennis.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION



This weekend we will be taking up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

MASS CARDS AND MORE

You may arrange to have a mass celebrated for a living and deceased person or for a special intention by visiting the parish office. The stipend is \$10.00. Please note Annunciation Parish does not provide announced masses.

UPCOMING MEETING

Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday, May 29th at 7:30PM in the Parish Hall

Property Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 31st at 7:30PM in the St. Pius X Room

CWL Executive Meeting

Thursday, June 1st at 1:00PM in the St. Pius X Room

FATHER STEPHEN GILBERT'S FAREWELL

On June 15th, as he celebrates his twenty-fifth year of priesthood and three and a half years of priestly ministry at Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Fr. Stephen Gilbert will be leaving us. There will be a reception for Fr. Gilbert in the Parish Hall on Sunday, June 11th at 1:30PM (after the 12:30PM mass). Parishioners are invited to come to this reception to show their appreciation and thank Fr. Gilbert for his service to the parish community. We pray that the Good Lord will keep Fr. Gilbert in His care and continue to bless his future ministry.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Did you know that Development and Peace (D&P) responded to the call of Pope Francis in his encyclical 'Laudato Si: On the Care for Our Common Home' by launching a campaign on climate change and its impact on the poor — as a result the Canadian Government signed the 2015 Paris agreement, and thousands of Canadians pledged to reduce their Carbon footprint. To find out more about the work of D&P or to become a member or donor, visit the website at: <http://www.dev.org/en/get-involved>

UNCLAIMED 2017 SUNDAY ENVELOPES

There are still a number of unclaimed 2017 Sunday Envelope boxes in the parish office. If yours is among them, please visit us during office hours or from the Welcome Desk before or after Sunday Masses. Unclaimed boxes will be recycled and numbers will be reassigned. Thank you for your continuing support. (If you are not an envelope user and wish to have your own box, visit the parish office during office hours or from the Welcome Desk before or after Sunday Masses.)

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