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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.

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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 gate for the sheep."

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Evangelization: *Christians in Africa* ~ That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice and peace.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
MAY 7

The Fourth Sunday of Easter, Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations. Christ, the Good Shepherd, continues to lead his people through His Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and calls many to follow Him in this way. Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's people.

RELIGIOUS LIFE

925 Religious life was born in the East during the first centuries of Christianity. Lived within institutes canonically erected by the Church, it is distinguished from other forms of consecrated life by its liturgical character, public profession of the evangelical counsels, fraternal life led in common, and witness given to the union of Christ with the Church,

926 Religious life derives from the mystery of the Church. It is a gift she has received from her Lord, a gift she offers as a stable way of life to the faithful called by God to profess the counsels. Thus, the Church can both show forth Christ and acknowledge herself to be the Savior's bride. Religious life in its various forms is called to signify the very charity of God in the language of our time.

927 All religious, whether exempt or not, take their place among the collaborators of the diocesan bishop in his pastoral duty. From the outset of the work of evangelization, the missionary "planting" and expansion of the Church require the presence of the religious life in all its forms. "History witnesses to the outstanding service rendered by religious families in the propagation of the faith in the formation of new Churches; from the ancient monastic institutions to the medieval orders, all the way to more recent congregations."

928 "A secular institute is an institute of consecrated life in which the Christian faithful living in the world strive for the perfection of charity and work for the sanctification of the world especially from within."

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Living the Gospel by providing for those in need...

"One of the core components of our Pastoral Plan is Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love. As a Catholic community we are called to be the hands and face of Jesus in our communities. One of the ways that we do this is through our annual ShareLife appeal, which provides resources to agencies serving the poor and marginalized not only in our archdiocese, but also around the world. ShareLife is a tangible way that we can put the Gospel value to love one another as I have loved you into action, and I invite all parishioners to support the mission work of the Catholic church by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife..." - Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

OUR PARISH TOTAL TO DATE:

\$45, 917.20

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Today is ShareLife Sunday — May 7, 2017.

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ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER
MAY 12TH

On this day, Cardinal Collins has asked that we all take the time, as a community, to pray for all vocations; priesthood, religious and consecrated life. During this time, we also ask that you pray for our five soon-to-be priests along with all those who are currently discerning or are currently in formation. For more information, please contact your parish office, call the Office of Vocations at 416 968 0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org.

Friday, May 12th is the Archdiocese Day of Prayer. 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.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Have Mercy on us!



*I am
with you always*

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

May 7th to May 13th

*In loving memory of May Elizabeth Reyes.
Happy Birthday!*

Love, Willie, Rachelle, and Ron.

Requested by: Willie, Rachelle and Ron.

*In loving memory of Anna Tsang,
Parents Tsang Sum Fook and Ip Wai Fong,
Brother Yiu Wing Tsang, Auntie Yu,
and Wong Wong.*

Requested by Yiu Lam Tsang.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

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 DATE CHANGE

Please note the following change on your calendars: the date for the closing brunch has been changed to **June 4th at 12:30PM**. Further details to follow.

GIFT OF SECURITIES

Do you have securities that have gone up in value? You can now make your Parish offertory and special collections gifts using securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds). You will not have to pay any capital gains on your gift and you will get a tax receipt for the full amount. For more information please contact the Parish office or the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416 934 3411 or email development@archtoronto.org, website: www.archtoronto.org/development.

A REMINDER TO CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: CONFIRMATION CEREMONY



A reminder that the confirmation rehearsal will be this **Tuesday, May 9th at 9:00AM**, and the confirmation celebration will be that evening: **May 9th at 7:30PM**.

MOTHER'S DAY APPRECIATION



There will be a Mother's Day reception held at the Parish Hall next **Saturday, May 13th at 6:00PM** — following the 5PM mass.

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.

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.

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



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