# 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

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 Exposition8:00amBenediction of the Blessed Sacrament12:15pmMass12:30pm

#### 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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Our Lady of Wisdom School 416-393-5273
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"Keep awake, you must be ready."

#### **PRAY WITH THE SAINTS**



**Wednesday, November 30th** is *Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle* 

**Saturday, December 3rd** is *Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest* 

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.

## THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

**Universal:** *End to Child-Soldiers* ~ That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

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**Evangelization:** *Europe*~ That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel

which gives joy and hope to life.

#### FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

**Friday, December 2nd,** is the First Friday of the month. Join us as we worship the Sacred Heart of Jesus at the 8:00AM and 12:30PM masses. 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 honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Come and spend some time in the presence of the Lord.

#### **FLOWER COLLECTION**



The Annual Christmas Flower Collection will be taken up on the weekend of December 3rd and 4th. Thank you for your generosity.

#### FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING AWARD

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundredword essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2017. The Theme for this coming year is "Reconciliation — The love of Christ compels us" (cf. 2 Corinthians: 5:14-20). First prize is an iPad Air 2 (64GB).

Deadline for entries is January 13, 2017.

For more information call: 416 934 3400 ext. 344 or

416 934 3410 ext. 403

# CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

#### Monday Dec. 19th — Friday Dec. 23rd 2016

Daily Masses at 8:00AM & 12:30PM

# Saturday, Dec. 24th, 2016 CHRISTMAS EVE

Masses at 6:00PM, 9:00PM, & 12:00 Midnight (No 9:00AM Daily Mass or Confessions)

Parish Office Closed

#### Sunday, Dec. 25th, 2016 CHRISTMAS DAY

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

#### Monday, Dec. 26th — Thursday, Dec. 29th, 2016

Daily Mass at 9:00AM Parish Office Closed

# Friday, Dec. 30th, 2016 Feast of the Holy Family

Daily Mass at 9:00AM Parish Office Closed

#### NEW YEAR'S EVE : Saturday, Dec. 31st, 2016 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Masses at 5:00PM & 7:00PM Daily Mass at 9:00AM Parish Office Closed

# NEW YEAR'S DAY: Sunday, January 1st, 2017 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

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

#### Monday, January 2, 2017

Daily Mass at 9:00AM Parish Office Closed

Regular Mass Schedule and Office Hours resume on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017

#### **CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS**

## Advent Penitential Service: Mon. Dec. 19th at 7:00 PM

There will be many priests available to hear individual confessions on this evening following the service.

Day of Confession: Mon. Dec. 12th 8:30AM—10AM, 2PM—4PM & 6PM—8PM A priest will be available to hear confessions

during these times.

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **CWL ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE**

The CWL of our Parish is asking all Parishioners to assist with the Annual drive for the Good Shepherd Refugee. We are asking for men's' socks, underwear, etc. These articles are in short supply and, if you can help leave your donation in the Religious Articles Booth when you come to Sunday Mass December 4th, 11th and 18th. We will deliver them in time for the Christmas Season. Your generosity is always appreciated.

#### **CWL CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE**

The CWL committee is having their Annual Christmas Bake Sale. The sale takes place on December 3rd/4th after all masses, except for the 7:00PM Mass. All proceeds are used to fund our charitable endeavors. Thank you for your support.

#### **ALTAR SERVERS CHRISTMAS SOCIAL**

The Altar servers will be having a Christmas Potluck Social event on **Saturday**, **December 3rd**. We will begin with a Community Mass at 10:00AM followed by a potluck social in the Parish Hall.

Please refer to the bulletin board in the St. Pius X room for details.

#### **EUTHANASIA/ASSISTED SUICIDE** — Did you know?

Since Canada legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide in June 2016, 374 people across the country have already died by lethal injection. Meanwhile, only 30% of Canadians have access to quality palliative (end of life) care. Please visit www.Canadians for Conscience.ca to learn more and write directly to the Ontario government.

#### 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: Marion Smith & Steve Browne



#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

#### **RCIA Meeting**

Tuesday, November 29th at 7:00PM in the St. Cecilia Room.

#### **CWL Executive Meeting**

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

#### PARISH SCHOOLS' ADVENT FAMILY MASS

Our parish's elementary schools (Our Lady of Wisdom, St. Isaac Jogues and Annunciation) will gather together to prepare for Advent with a Mass on **Thursday**, **December 1st at 7:00PM** at Annunciation Church.

#### **CAMPAIGN LIFE CHRISTMAS CAKES**

Campaign Life Christmas Fruit Cakes are available after all Masses on December 3rd-4th and December 10th-11th. All proceeds go to support the Pro-Life Cause. Thank you for your support.

#### **BUILDING FUND COLLECTION**



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



# Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

November 27th to December 3rd

In loving memory of Antonio Furia.
Requested by Iolanda Furia (wife), Dino and Gabe (sons), Angela and Fotini (daughters-in-law),
Daniella, Antonio, Gabriele, Bicolas, Mia and Luca (grandchildren).

To the memory of Wilfred MacDonald who died on November 29, 2008. Remembered with love by his wife, children and grandchildren.

> Special intention for Thomas Jansz in thanksgiving Requested by: Thomas Jansz

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