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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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*"God will grant justice to his chosen ones
who call out to him ."*

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



Monday, October 17th is *Memorial of St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr*

Tuesday, October 18th is *Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist*

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.

Faith — What is it?

Faith is knowledge and trust. It has seven characteristics:

- Faith is a *sheer gift* of God, which we receive when we fervently ask for it.
- Faith is the supernatural power that is absolutely *necessary* if we are to attain salvation
- Faith requires the *free will and clear understanding of a person* when he accepts the divine invitation
- Faith is *absolutely certain*, because Jesus guarantees it
- Faith is incomplete unless it leads to active love
- Faith *grows* when we listen more and more carefully to God's Word and enter a lively exchange with him in prayer
- Faith gives us even now a foretaste of the joy of heaven

Many people say that to believe is not enough for them; they want to know. The word "believe", however, has two completely different meanings. If a parachutist asks the clerk at the airport, "Is the parachute packed safely?" and the other man answers casually, "Hmm, I believe so", then that will not be enough for him; he would like to know it for sure. But if he has asked a friend to pack the parachute, then the friend will answer the same question by saying, "Yes I did it personally. You can trust me!" And to that the parachutist will reply, "Yes, I believe you." This belief is much more than knowing; it means assurance. And that is the kind of belief that prompted Abraham to travel to the Promise Land; that is the faith that caused the martyrs to stand fast till death; that is the faith that still today upholds Christians in persecution. A faith that encompasses the whole person.

- Source: Youcat



The Church — instituted by Christ Jesus

763 It was the Son's task to accomplish the Father's plan of salvation in the fullness of time. Its accomplishment was the reason for his being sent. "The Lord Jesus inaugurated his Church by preaching the Good News, that is, the coming of the Reign of God, promised over the ages in the scriptures." To fulfill the Father's will, Christ ushered in the Kingdom of heaven on earth. The Church "is the Reign of Christ already present in mystery."

764 "This Kingdom shines out before men in the word, in the works and in the presence of Christ." To welcome Jesus' word is to welcome "the Kingdom itself." The seed and beginning of the Kingdom are the "little flock" of those whom Jesus came to gather around him, the flock whose shepherd he is. They form Jesus' true family. To those whom he thus gathered around him, he taught a new "way of acting" and a prayer of their own.

780 The Church in this world is the sacrament of salvation, the sign and the instrument of the communion of God and men

- Source: Catechism of the Catholic Church

ANNUNCIATION SENIORS CLUB

Our first meeting in September was enjoyed by all in attendance and we are happy to invite you to our next meeting:

Date: **Tuesday, October 18th**

Time: **10:00AM to 12:00PM**

Place: **Parish Hall**

Some students from Senator O'Connor College School along with their teacher Ms. Szumilas will be sharing some new ideas for Cyberseniors with a Multimedia Presentation.

After this presentation we will enjoy some coffee and Thanksgiving cup-cakes.

We will also be taking registration for our visit to Queen's Park in December.

A reminder that Annual dues will be accepted at this meeting ... **\$10.00 for the whole year.**

New members are welcome — 55 years and up.

**THIRD ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE HEAD COUNT
Archdiocese of Toronto**

This year, parishes are asked to conduct a parishioner attendance count on the weekends of October 15/16 and October 22/23. The count includes all Sunday Vigil and Sunday Masses, and Holy Communion visits to house bound parishioners or those in retirement or care facilities.

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ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Love, Laughter, Moments of Grace.

There is a Mother's Group meeting on **Thursday, October 20 at 7:00PM to 9:00PM** in the Parish Hall. This will be an opportunity for mothers with young children or children still in education to form relationships with one another and grow in their faith. Those interested in joining the group are welcomed.



We thank you those who are already a part of this group.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CWL General Meeting

Thursday, October 20 at 1:00PM in the Parish Hall.

St. Vincent De Paul Meeting

Thursday, October 20 at 7:00-9:00PM in the St. Pius X room.

Catholic Mother's Group

Thursday, October 20 at 7:00-9:00PM in the Parish Hall.

Altar Servers Seniors Meeting

Saturday, October 22 at 11:00AM-2:00PM in the Parish Hall.

31st ANNUAL ALTAR SERVERS AWARDS CEREMONY

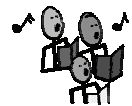
This Saturday October 15, 2016 four altar servers from Annunciation Parish received the "**Bishop's Altar Server Award for Service**" from the Most Reverend Vincent Nguyen, Auxiliary Bishop — Eastern Pastoral Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto during the 31st Annual Bishop's Altar Servers Awards Ceremony. We offer our sincere thanks and congratulations to the following altar servers:

Lara D., Mari D., Nicholas Z., and Mikaela J.

The parish is truly grateful to all of its altar servers for their participation at the celebration of the Eucharist and ceremonies throughout the Church year.

CALLING ALL CHOIR MEMBERS

We have always had an outstanding music program at Annunciation Parish. **New members are most welcome!** No prior musical training required. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in joining one of our choirs.



The **Children's Choir** rehearses on Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:30PM

The **Adult Choir** rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00PM

The **Evening Choir** rehearses on Sundays at 6:00-7:00PM.

THE COME AND SEE WEEKEND NOVEMBER 4TH TO 6TH AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.

Please contact the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997; or email: vocations@archtoronto.org

OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH



Next Sunday is *World Mission Sunday*.

Every parish across the world will celebrate this unique Sunday. It is a global sign of the Universal Church and Mission. Your prayers and donations will help support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is beginning, where it is new. Please be as generous as possible to the collection for the Propagation of the Faith for more than 1200 dioceses in Asia, Africa, Latin American, the Pacific Islands and some of our Canadian dioceses that depend on the *World Mission* collection.

RCIA

Interested in becoming a Catholic? Come and walk the faith journey with us. We meet weekly from October to Eastertide. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2017 and supports the bulletin service. Call Liturgical Publications at (905) 624 4422

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