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.

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
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"You have heard what was said to those of ancient times; but I say to you..."

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Saturday, February 22nd is the *Chair* of St. Peter, the Apostle



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.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Annunciation Conference – HELP WANTED

Do you have a great desire to serve the community? Have you some time to offer to help others in need? Do you have skills such as tax filing, record keeping, taking minutes, phone and email experience, finance or accounting knowledge or any other administration skills?

Do you belong to Annunciation parish and wish to help feed, clothe and help our "Neighbours in Need?" Are you prepared to volunteer 3-6 hours a month to improve the lives of people less fortunate than yourself?

If you have any of these qualities and would like to volunteer your time please call 416-657-2989 for more information.

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING AWARD

Students aged 14 to 18 are invited to write a 500-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2020. The theme is

"They showed us unusual kindness" (cf. Acts 28:2)

Welcoming strangers-whether they are from other cultures or beliefs, immigrants or refugees—is both to love Christ and to love as God loves. Hospitality should be a hallmark of every Christian. How can Catholics and Christians of all denominations collaborate to be examples of Christ's love and extend the same kindness to people in need that St. Paul encountered in Malta?

For more details about the contest, please visit: http://bit.ly/FriarsStudentWritingContest

Deadline: Monday, February 17, 2020

FLU SEASON/ CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS

We have received medical advice on the precautionary measures we in the parish should take:

- Cover mouth and nose completely when coughing or sneezing
- Do not shake hands
- Receive Holy Communion on the palm of outstretched hand
- Do not receive Holy Communion on the tongue
- Wash hands often
- Do not touch eyes, nose, or mouth before washing



Prevention is better than cure!

REFUGEE SPONSOR PROGRAM FOR PARISHIONERS

The Office for Refugees is launching a program to assist parishioners who would like to sponsor a family member overseas who is a refugee. This program is intended to assist parishioners only. Interested parishioners of Annunciation of the BVM Parish, who would like to sponsor a family member, are asked to contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor prior to March 31. Please note that the Office for Refugees will look to the sponsoring family to provide the necessary funds for sponsorship.

A separate program is available to assist non-parishioners. Further information on the program to assist non-parishioners can be obtained by contacting the Office for Refugees directly.

OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel Jesus boldly says "You have heard what was said to those of ancient times...but I say to you..." He challenges his followers to go above and beyond their limits of charity and to not settle for their old previous notions of what it meant to love. As stewards we should not just offer our gifts of our time and talents to our parish community in a mediocre way but to strive to do so as generously as possible.



"Faith grows when we invoke the Lord with confidence, bringing to Jesus who we are, with open hearts, without hiding our sufferings."

-Pope Francis (@Pontifex)

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 26, 2020



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

8:00AM, 12:30PM, 7:30PM. 9:45AM (Schools Mass).

Ashes will be Blessed and Distributed at all Masses.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT.

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Join us as we walk with Jesus from death to new life. Make this traditional Lenten prayer part of your personal Lenten program.

FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY



Monday, February 17th is Family Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM only. There will be no 8:00AM or 12:30PM Masses. The Parish Office will be closed.

"Happy Family Day!"

FINANCIAL REPORT 2019

A copy of Annunciation Parish's financial statement for the year 2019 is inserted in this weekend's bulletin.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS

First Reconciliation Dates (at 7:00PM)

Our Lady of Wisdom: Tuesday, February 18th St. Isaac Jogues: Wednesday, February 19th Annunciation: Thursday February 20th

Annunciation Senior's Club

Tuesday, February 18th at 10AM in the Parish Hall

CWL General Meeting—Valentine Potluck

Thursday, February 20th at 2PM in the Parish Hall

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Thursday, February 20th at 7PM in St. Pius X Room.

Rayoak Mass

Tuesday, February 25th at 10AM at Rayoak Place

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Grade 2 students of our parish will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the following dates:

Our Lady of Wisdom:

Tuesday, February 18th at 7:00PM.

St. Isaac Jogues:

Wednesday, February 19th at 7:00PM.

Annunciation:

Thursday, February 20th at 7:00PM.

Public/Sunday School Children:

are to come to First Reconciliation on any of the dates and times listed above (Tuesday February 18th, Wednesday February 19th or Thursday February 20th)

Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions



February 17—February 22

In loving memory of Dianne Joanne Allison Cowan,

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