# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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Clarissa Adityani

Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan

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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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# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH, TORONTO, ONTARIO.

"From what is it in the heart, the mouth speaks."

#### **SEASON OF LENT**



Lent is the yearly celebration by the Church of its corporate conversion in Jesus Christ. During Lent, the liturgy prepares catechumens to celebrate the Paschal Mystery by the various stages of Christian Initiation. It also prepares the faithful for Easter as they recall their Baptism and do penance in preparation for the greatest Feast of the year.

Lent has two major purposes: it recalls or prepares Baptism, and emphasizes a spirit of penance. Through forty days of closer attention to God's Word of more fervent prayer, believers are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Lenten instructions stress these baptismal and penitential themes.

During Lent, it is important to teach the social consequences of sin as well as the fact that the heart of the virtue of penance is hatred of sin as an offence against God.

The Church encourages penitential practices that are external and social, reflecting the circumstances of individuals and communities, as we pray and do penance for sinners.

#### **GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLES**

Did you know that Annunciation parishioners provide nourishing, home cooked meals for the Good Shepherd Centre? If you are willing to make a frozen casserole dish, please contact the parish office. We will provide aluminum

pans and recipes to follow. Just deliver your frozen dish to the parish office and we will store it until pick-up.

#### **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.



"Lord, deliver us from the temptation to want to save ourselves, and our reputations; help us to acknowledge our guilt and to seek humble and concrete answers together, and in communion with all the People of God." - Pope Francis

### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

March 6, 2019



#### **SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

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

Ashes will be Blessed and Distributed at all Masses.

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

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

# EVERY FRIDAY AT ANNUNCIATION PARISH AT 7:00PM BEGINNING MARCH 8th



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

#### -A ONE YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO "FORMED.ORG"-

Our parish has taken a subscription to the Website, **formed.org** for each of our parishioners.

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#### **NEW TO OUR PARISH?**

If you are a new parishioner of Annunciation Parish we offer you a warm welcome. Please take the time to register and receive your personal box of Sunday Offering Envelopes. You can register by visiting the parish office during normal business hours. We're glad you're here!

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

# DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS Sunday, March 10th, 2019



Please remember to turn your clocks forward one hour before heading off to bed next Saturday, March 9th.

# SENIORS CLUB Tuesday, March 12 at 10:00AM in the Parish Hall

Our March Meeting will be one week earlier than usual due to Church Hall availability.

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019

<u>Time:</u> 10:00 a.m. <u>Place</u>: Parish Hall

A Toronto Police Officer will speak to us about Seniors Safety — with particular emphasis on 'Identity Theft'. This will be followed by our usual socializing. Registration for our annual visit to Niagara Falls in May will commence. Looking forward to seeing you there!

# ST. AGUSTINE'S SEMINARY COME AND SEE WEEKEND



Come and See Weekend – Friday, March 15 (begins at 7:00 p.m.) to Sunday, March 17 (ends at 1:30 p.m.), 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.

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Registrants 17 years old require parental consent.
For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at: 416 968 0997; email: vocations@archtoronto.org

#### **REQUESTING AN UPDATED BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE**

If you wish to obtain an updated Baptismal certificate, please contact the parish office during the weekdays from Monday to Friday. Please allow up to 2 to 4 business days in obtaining the requested certificate. You must provide a valid photo ID when picking up the document, before the certificate can be released to you (i.e. Driver's License, Passport, or Birth Certificate).

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

#### **Pastoral Council Meeting**

Monday, March 4th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall

#### **Women's Spirituality Group**

Tuesday, March 5th at 1:00PM-3:00PM in St. Pius X Room

#### **Monthly Family of Schools Mass**

Wednesday, March 6th at 9:45AM

#### **Mother's Group Meeting**

Thursday, March 7th at 7:00PM - 9:00PM in St. Pius X Room

#### **Annunciation Senior Club**

Tuesday, March 12th at 9:00AM-12:00PM in the Parish Hall

#### St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Thursday, March 14th at 7:00PM-9:00PM in the St. Pius X Room

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE SELECTION

A reminder to parents of children who are already registered for the First Holy Communion: please call the office to select the date and time when your child will be receiving First Holy Communion.

Important note: it is first come first serve basis!

#### **NO FLOWERS PLEASE!**

Please note that during Lent, there are no flowers or decorations displayed in the Church. We kindly ask you to not place flowers in the Church (i.e., by the foot of the statues



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