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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 8:30AM to 12:00 Noon, 1:00PM to 8:00PM Friday 8:30AM to 12:00 Noon, 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 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 the 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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Call 416-657-2989 for assistance.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Wisdom School 416-393-5273
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"The Son of Man came to seek out and save the lost."



PRAY WITH THE SAINTS

Monday, November 4th is the *Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo,* bishop.

Saturday, November 9th is the *Feast of The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*.

Join us in prayer in communion with St. Charles and the all saints in Heaven at the 8:00AM & 12:30PM Masses on weekdays, and 9:00AM on Saturday.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF CATHOLIC TRIVIA



1) What are three theological virtues?

2) Which of these virtues has the Catholic church been celebrating over the past year?

"What are the theological virtues?"

The theological virtues have God himself as their origin, motive and direct object. Infused with sanctifying grace, they bestow on one the capacity to live in a relationship with the Trinity. There are the foundation and the energizing force of the Christian's moral activity and they give life to the human virtues. They are the pledge of the presence and action of the Holy Spirit in the faculties of the human being. (# 384, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

"What is the virtue of faith?"

Faith is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and all that he has revealed to us and that the Church proposes for our belief because God is Truth itself. By faith the human person freely commits himself to God. Therefore, the believer seeks to know and do the will of God because "faith works through charity" (Galatians 5:6). (# 386, Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Act of Faith

O my God, I firmly believe that you are one God in three divine Persons; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
I believe that your divine Son became man, died for our sins, and that he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe these and all the truths which the holy Catholic Church teaches, because you have revealed them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived. AMEN.

2014 Student Writing Award



It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18, and currently enrolled in an Ontario secondary school or equivalent program are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on

the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25 2014. The Theme for this coming year is "Has Christ been divided?" (cf. 1 Corinthian 1:10-13). The essay should:

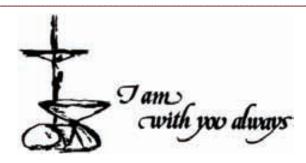
- A. relate the Scripture passage to the issue of disunity among Christian churches; and
- B. Propose three ways to build full and visible unity among Christian faiths.

First prize is an iPad mini (32GB), second prize is a Kobo Arc (64GB) and third to sixth prize are a one-year subscription to The Catholic Register and other prizes. Essays will be edited and published in the Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is January 10th, 2014. Fax your essay to 416-934-3409 or e-mail it to editor@catholicregister.org (please include your full name, e-mail address, phone number, and the name of your school on the front page of the essay). Don't miss this opportunity!

CONFESSION BEFORE COMMUNION

Catholics who are conscious of mortal sin must go to sacramental Confession before receiving Holy Communion. It is not strictly necessary to confess lesser or venial sins each time we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, but regular Confession is recommended by the Church and by the practice of the Saints. We encourage parents to take their children to confession, as a part of practicing of the faith.

Confessions at Annunciation: Every Saturday, 9:30AM & 4:00PM (at other times by appointment)



INSIDE Annunciation Church:



REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

The Book of Life is available in the Parish foyer.

Parishioners may add the names of deceased family members and friends to be remembered in our prayers. This book will be placed on the altar at all weekend Masses during November in memory of our loved ones and those parishioners who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. May they rest in peace!

Philippines Earthquake—Humanitarian Relief

The Archdiocese of Toronto is now accepting financial contributions for humanitarian relief as the death toll continues to rise following an earthquake that struck the central Philippines on October 15th.

There is an estimated 160 deaths so far, with hundreds of people injured and dozens still missing. More than 158,000 people of have displaced with 100,000 of them living in evacuation centers.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org.
- By phone through the Development office: (416)934-3411.
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Annunciation Parish—Philippines Earthquake — Humanitarian Relief.

ANSWERS:



- 1) Faith, hope and charity.
- 2) We are coming to the end of the Year of Faith.

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FALL FOOD DRIVE

This year's Fall Food Drive to benefit Good Shepherd Ministries will take place on the **next weekend**, **Saturday Nov. 9th—Sunday Nov. 10th**. Please bring your non-perishable food items to the Parish foyer. Some much needed items are:

Peanut Butter	Jam	Canned Fish
Oil	Tea	Sugar
Ground & Instant Coffee	Powered Fruit Juice	Ketchup, Relish, Mustard
Breakfast Cereals	Pasta & Sauces	Rice
Garlic Powder	Paprika	Black Pepper
Canned Milk	Canned Meats	Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables	Canned Soups & Stews	Cookies & Crackers

Thank you for your support!

18-35 SOCIAL GROUP

This newly created group is for 18-35 year olds in the parish and is an opportunity to meet up and participate in fun activities together. This is your chance to interact with people of similar values and interests and to get to know others in our parish.

Any parishioners between the ages of 18 –35 are invited to drop by the Parish Hall on **Sunday, Nov. 10th after the 7:00PM mass**. Simply bring your food drive donation and ideas for future activities. Light refreshments will be provided.

MEETINGS

Altar Server Committee: Monday, November 4th, at 7:00PM in the St. Pius X room.

CWL Executives Meeting: Thursday, November 7th, 1:00PM—2:30PM in the St. Pius X room.

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Thursday, November 7th, at 7:15PM in the St. Pius X room.



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