

# **THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

Saturday at 9 am & 5 pm (Vigil)

Sunday at 9 am & 11 am

## **LIVESTREAM MASS [English]**

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Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

Sunday at 11 am

## **CONFESSIONS**

Monday to Friday at 11.30 am

Saturday at 4.30 pm

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday 10 am to 4 pm

Susan Lee, Parish Secretary

## **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

**(Baptism, First Communion,  
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## Building a Community of Stewardship

Jesus Appears to the Disciples  
John 20:19-31

As we continue along in this season of Easter, we are invited to reflect on the lives of the early Christians. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we hear the wonderful account of them living in great unity and joy as they were “of one heart and soul.” It says that, “*there was not a needy person among them*” because everyone shared of their gifts for the good of the entire community.

This is the perfect model of a community where stewardship reigns. A parish community built on stewardship is one in which every member is welcomed, involved and nourished. The parish should be seen as our second home. It is where we join together with our brothers and sisters in Christ so that we can love and serve God side by side.

**How well are we contributing to the building up of our community of stewardship?** We must all play our own role in building up the Church. In the same way, the early Christians offered all of themselves for the sake of the mission, we too should offer all of our gifts to the parish. We should spend time praying in the church and journeying with fellow parishioners through the joys and trials of their lives. Moreover, all of our talents and gifts should be offered up to the service of various ministries and apostolates within the parish. In this way, we will be able to echo the words from the first reading and joyfully proclaim: “*There was not a needy person among them.*”

### Summary

In the first reading, we hear the wonderful account of the early Christians living a beautiful community of stewardship in which they were all “of one heart and soul.” Likewise, in the same way the early Christians offered all of themselves for the sake of the Church, we too should offer the gifts of our time and talent to our parish community. In this way, we will be able to echo the words from the first reading and joyfully proclaim: “*There was not a needy person among them.*”

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~



**This week  
The Sanctuary Lamp  
is dedicated  
For the intentions of  
Balakumar Anthony**  
requested by  
His Family



### Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm †** Gill Thomas on his 1st death anniversary  
*requested by Sheryl Ambrose & family*

### Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm †** Ena Espinosa  
*requested by the Bohorquez family*

### Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm †** Patricia Sanchez on her birthday remembrance  
*requested by Lito & Tess*

### Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm** In thanksgiving to St. Philomena  
*requested by Veronica Ferreira*

### Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm †** Fr. Peter Tammearu  
*requested by Alice & Brian Warford*

### Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am †** Vincenta & Lorenzo Flores  
*requested by Josephine & family*

**5:00 pm** Intentions of the Confirmandi

### Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am †** Morgan Leithwood  
*requested by Alice & Brian Warford*

**11:00 am** For the People of the Parish  
*requested by Thelma Potal & family*



**Date:** Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### Agenda:

9:00 am & 11:00 am - Mass

3:00 pm to 3:45 to 3:45 pm,

- Confession,
- Exposition,
- Benediction,
- Blessing of candles & rosaries

## SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

*Feast day: Monday April 8, 2024*

The feast of the Annunciation, now recognized as a solemnity, was first celebrated in the fourth or fifth century. Its central focus is the Incarnation: God has become one of us. From all eternity, God had decided that the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity should become human. Now, as Luke 1:26-38 tells us, the decision is being realized. The God-Man embraces all humanity, indeed all creation, to bring it to God in one great act of love. Because human beings have rejected God, Jesus will accept a life of suffering and an agonizing death: “No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (John 15:13).



Mary has an important role to play in God’s plan. From all eternity, God destined her to be the mother of Jesus and closely related to him in the creation and redemption of the world. We could say that God’s decrees of creation and redemption are joined in the decree of Incarnation. Because Mary is God’s instrument in the Incarnation, she has a role to play with Jesus in creation and redemption. It is a God-given role. It is God’s grace from beginning to end. Mary becomes the eminent figure she is only by God’s grace. She is the empty space where God could act. Everything she is she owes to the Trinity.

Mary is the virgin-mother who fulfills Isaiah 7:14 in a way that Isaiah could not have imagined. She is united with her son in carrying out the will of God (Psalm 40:8-9; Hebrews 10:7-9; Luke 1:38).

Together with Jesus, the privileged and graced Mary is the link between heaven and earth. She is the human being who best, after Jesus, exemplifies the possibilities of human existence. She received into her lowliness the infinite love of God. She shows how an ordinary human being can reflect God in the ordinary circumstances of life. She exemplifies what the Church and every member of the Church is meant to become. She is the ultimate product of the creative and redemptive power of God. She manifests what the Incarnation is meant to accomplish for all of us. <https://www.franciscanmedia.org>



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## CONSECRATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

This will take place on **Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** at our parish.

**Agenda is as follows:**

11:00 am      Rosary  
 11:30 am      Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the Consecration of the Faithful to the Blessed Virgin Mary and concluding with Benediction followed by Mass.

**What does it mean to consecrate?**

To consecrate means to “set apart as holy”, to designate an object or person for a sacred purpose. Consecration suggests a mission for the object or person who has been consecrated and implies a relationship between God and man, an intimate connection.

**How have we already been consecrated to God?**

We have been consecrated to God through the gift of Baptism. In Baptism, we receive God’s free gift of Himself and become His adopted children. Baptism sets us apart – consecrates us – as God’s chosen people. Through the other Sacraments of Initiation, Confirmation and the Eucharist, we are strengthened and nourished for the mission of building the Kingdom of God.

**Why do we consecrate ourselves?**

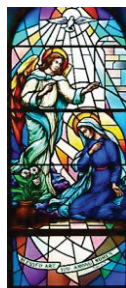
We consecrate ourselves to God because we want to grow closer to Him. Consecration is a response to the Lord’s invitation to live in holiness and self-giving. When we consecrate ourselves to God, we are making a commitment to live very intentionally for Him in all aspects of our daily lives, giving ourselves fully to God out of love.

**What is a Marian consecration?**

Mary is the disciple par excellence, the model of holiness, the supreme example of what it means to devote one’s life to God – to love God. She is the ultimate mother, and a mom always wants the very best for her children. Mary wants all people to have a deep and loving relationship with her Son, our Lord, and will do everything to make it happen. This is why we ask her to take all of our being and offer it to God the Father, through Christ, her Son, in unity with the Holy Spirit. There is a rich tradition in the Church with respect to Marian Consecration. The most popular and beneficial form is that of St. Louis de Montfort.

## Stained Glass Preservation

We are in great need of donations for the preservation of the Stained Glass windows which has been completed.



Special envelopes are available at the front & side entrances of the church.

Kindly contact the parish office if you are interested in donating to one of the windows for a special intention **or** in memory of a loved one. Families or individual ministries are also invited to take part in this fundraising project.

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