

# THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

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Rev Fr Peter Tammearu, Pastor



## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

Saturday at 9 am & 5 pm (Vigil)

Sunday at 9 am & 11 am

## CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday at 11.45 am

Saturday at 4.30 pm

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

(First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA)

Alice Warford, Sacramental Coordinator

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## SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE

Please make an appointment to see the pastor

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Please call 647.428.2880

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Darlene Barron, President 416.264.6407

## LEGION OF MARY

Letty Denovan 416.755.9569

## OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH

Rev Fr Peter Gitendran, Pastor 416.264.6544

Sunday Mass at 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 10 am to 4 pm

Susan Lee, Parish Secretary

**THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**

*Reflection*

Think for a minute what living in the desert would mean. If



that's where you had spent most of your early years, as John the Baptist apparently did, you would become a rather tough character. And that's exactly the picture we have of John: a man who ate locusts and wild honey and who wore coarse clothing (Matthew 3:4). At the same time, John's message seemed to be in keeping with his

appearance: *Repent! The time of judgment is at hand!*

The desert must have shaped John in another way. Seeing its vast expanse of wilderness, gazing at the night sky, and being immersed in a place of silence and solitude must have brought him closer to God. Here was the ideal landscape for someone called to hear the word of God and then proclaim it to the people God would lead to him. So when John did start preaching, he wasn't just conveying empty words. They meant something because he had lived them!

We also need to go into the "desert" to seek God. In fact, we should go there every day! Most of us make time for prayer daily, and that is extremely important. But however we choose to pray, we should include some time where we sit in silence and listen. God loves to hear from us, but we need to hear from him too. And for that we need to be free from distractions. We need to learn how to let God speak into the deepest recesses of our hearts.

Waiting for God to speak may feel like a real desert experience for some of us. It can feel as if we're wasting our time if we're not actively doing something in prayer. But prayer is not about what we do as much as it's about what God does. He knows your needs. He knows your heart. He wants to speak his word to you. So choose silence. Choose the desert. Listen. Wait. And you will be refreshed!

**PRAYER:** "Lord, I come to you in the quiet. I want to get closer to you. Help me to lay aside everything so that I can hear you, for your words are spirit and life!"

~ Taken from 'The Word Among Us' ~

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**Deadline for contribution is July 31st, 2018.**

**We thank all those who have donated.**



*Mass Intentions*

**Monday June 25**

12:05 pm † Asuncion de Castro  
*requested by Letty Denovan*

**Tuesday June 26**

12:05 pm

**Wednesday June 27**

**St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**  
12:05 pm

**Thursday June 28**

**St Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr**  
12:05 pm

**Friday June 29**

**Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles**  
12:05 pm Intentions of Rev. Greg Carruthers, S.J.  
*requested by Rev. Peter Tammearu*

**Saturday June 30**

**The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**  
9:00 am

5 pm For the People of the Parish

**Sunday July 1**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9 am † Marcelino Pazcoguin Sr.  
*requested by the Hipolito family*

11 am † Pablo Esporlas  
*requested by the Esporlas family*

***A Blessing for Seniors***

Most loving God,

We thank you for the gift of years granted in our time to so many men and women in the second half of life. We thank you for their presence in our parish community; for their life experience, their courage and wisdom, their witness of faith.

We ask your blessing (†) upon them as they live the many transitions that are part of maturing years. Be with them, keep them in your care, grant them peace and enable them to become beacons of hope in our world.



## BENEFIT CONCERT

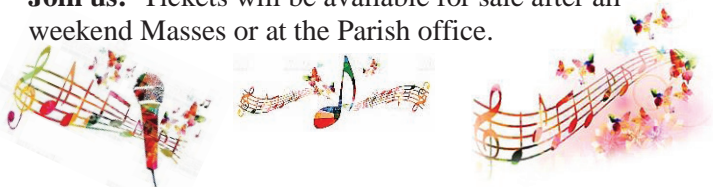
FRIDAY, JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:30 PM

The Music Ministry will be having a benefit concert at our Parish to raise money, to rescue and restore our beautiful stained glass windows.



Our Children and Senior Choir will be performing along with special guests and maybe some priests too .....

**Join us!** Tickets will be available for sale after all weekend Masses or at the Parish office.



## MATURING ADULT MINISTRY

Our last Monthly Social before we break for the summer. **DON'T MISS IT!**

**MONDAY, JUNE 25TH**  
after the 12:05 Mass in the Church Hall.

Please join us for our **JUNE SOCIAL** which will be our last Social until September. Invite a friend to join you for Mass and then the Social in the Church Hall. **All are welcome.** Let the celebration of our feast day continue as we share stories and memories of our experience of life at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. June is Seniors Month. Invite a Senior to join you for light refreshments and story-telling.



## SAVE SUMMER JOBS & REACH OUT TO YOUR MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

Thousands of charitable organizations are being denied funding through the Canada Summer Jobs program. The federal government has introduced a litmus test. To qualify for funding, organizations must agree with the Liberal Government on issues such as abortion, euthanasia and gender expression. This has impacted more than 150 jobs and more than \$1 million in funding in the Archdiocese of Toronto alone. Across Canada 1,500 groups had their applications rejected this year vs. 126 in 2017.

Cardinal Collins invites you to write to your federal Member of Parliament to respectfully express your concerns. Visit [www.savesummerjobs.ca](http://www.savesummerjobs.ca) to send a message to your MP, a process that will take less than 3 minutes. You can also donate at the same site to support those organizations impacted by the new application guidelines.

**There will be a second collection for 'Save the Summer Jobs' at all Masses this weekend.**  
**Please give generously.**

## STAINED GLASS WINDOWS



For your convenience, special envelopes are provided for your donation to the stained glass windows. They can be found in the racks at the front and side entrances of the Church. We thank you for your contribution.



We are many but there are so few! We are in need of readers at all the weekend Masses, especially the 5pm Vigil Mass.

Currently, we have only TWO readers for Saturday night Mass; and with summer vacation almost upon us, we could potentially have no readers for some of the Masses. What better way to share the time God gives us by proclaiming his word at Mass.

If you are already here attending Mass, why not participate as a reader. If you could read even one Saturday or Sunday a month, it would be of great help. We need you! Yes you... Please come forward and help in your parish. All ages (must be a confirmed Catholic) are welcome! For more information, please contact the parish office.

**YOUR Talent**  
IS GOD'S GIFT TO YOU.  
WHAT YOU DO WITH IT  
IS YOUR GIFT BACK TO GOD.

## NEW COUNCIL FOR KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS

Members of the parishes of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and Our Lady of Good Health are gathering to form a new combined council to serve the needs of our parish communities.



For more than a century, the Knights of Columbus have provided important help to Catholic parishes and parishioners through their many charitable works not only in North America but also internationally. Knights are committed to building a community of faith, and membership offers a good opportunity to serve the Church and develop spiritually through service and leadership. As a Knight, you are backed by a band of brothers in the quest of becoming a better Catholic man.

If you are currently a member of another council, we ask you seriously to consider transferring your membership to our new council in order to give your support to future of our community.

You can find more information about the Knights at [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and <https://ontariokofc.ca>. For more information regarding this venture please contact: *Jude Aloysius* at 416-569-5833 or *Hamilton Wiltshire* at 647-228-4810.



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