

# **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

## **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,  
Confirmation, RCIA)**

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## **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

Alice Warford

## **OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH**

Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544  
Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)



*Reflection*  
*Mark 8:27-35*

**Prayer for Generosity**

Lord, teach me to be generous.  
Teach me to serve you as you deserve;  
to give and not to count the cost,  
to fight and not to heed the wounds,  
to toil and not to seek for rest,  
to labor and not to ask for reward,  
save that of knowing that I do your will.

*St. Ignatius of Loyola*

**Monday September 17**  
*St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

12:05 pm † Mary Ann Webster  
*requested by Joyce & Bob Murton*

**Tuesday September 18**  
12:05 pm † Elizabeth Garcia Adante  
*requested by Rose Cruz*

**Wednesday September 19**  
*St Januarius, Bishop and Martyr*  
12:05 pm In thanksgiving and for the intentions of  
Roselyn Sevilla on her birthday  
*requested by the Sevilla family*

**Thursday September 20**  
*St Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs*  
12:05 pm † Zenaida Fulgencio  
*requested by Rose Cruz*

**Friday September 21**  
*St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*  
12:05 pm † James Richardson  
*requested by his wife, Mary & son, John*

**Saturday September 22**  
9:00 am † Jeong Byung Kwon & Silvia Jeong  
*requested by Sarah Jeong*

5 pm † Arcely Briones  
*requested by the Briones & Patacsil families*

**Sunday September 23**  
*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
9 am For the People of the Parish

11 am In thanksgiving & for the intentions of  
Mary Grace Patacsil on her birthday  
*requested by the Patacsil & Briones families*

Giving up is part of life – you give up time for your children and grandchildren. Parents say it was worth it for the joy in their face. A person goes to work for the poor and gives up a better job. You want to do more study and know you have to leave some leisure aside that you like. The Paralympics men and women sacrifice a lot to train and to do well. But something else comes through for us when we give up. If it's real and true we get back a lot. It seems strange for Jesus to say – lose your life to save it. He's talking about losing good things, to get better.

**The ME culture**

This can be a big challenge in a culture today that is very ME conscious.

We can find that personal concerns take total precedence, without much care for others, so long as it does not interfere with them. But as long as one person on this globe is hungry or homeless or seeking refuge, the work of Jesus is never done. Losing life and saving life with Jesus is a call to community, to neighbourhood and the world!

If my own life is my main concern, my circle of care extends just as far as myself, ignoring care in a sustained way for the stranger or the outcast.

*~ By Fr Donal Neary SJ ~*



As the Secretary will be on vacation, the Church office will be closed effective September 17<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on October 1st. All telephone messages will be retrieved occasionally

**OFFICE CLOSED**

## ST. MATTHEW

**Feast Day: September 21<sup>st</sup>**

Little is known about St. Matthew, except that he was the son of Alphaeus, and he was likely born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ.

According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ.

From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him. The Gospel account of Matthew tells the same story as that found in the other three Gospels, so scholars are certain of its authenticity. His book is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament.

Many years following the death of Christ, around 41 and 50 AD, Matthew wrote his gospel account. He wrote the book in Aramaic in the hope that his account would convince his fellow people that Jesus was the Messiah and that His kingdom had been fulfilled in a spiritual way. It was an important

message at a time when almost everyone was expecting the return of a militant messiah brandishing a sword.

It is thought he departed for other lands to escape persecution sometime after 42 AD. According to various legends he fled to Parthia and Persia, or Ethiopia. Nothing is recorded of Matthew's passing. We do not know how he died, if his death was natural or if he was martyred.

Saint Matthew is often depicted with one of the four living creatures of Revelation 4:7, which reads, "The first living creature was like a lion, the second like a bull, the third living creature had a human face, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle."

Matthew was a tax collector and is therefore the patron saint of bankers. The Church established St. Matthew's feast day as September 21.

### St. Matthew Prayer

○ Glorious St. Matthew, in your Gospel you portray Jesus as the longed-for Messiah who fulfilled the Prophets of the Old Covenant and as the new Lawgiver who founded a Church of the New Covenant. Obtain for us the grace to see Jesus living in his Church and to follow his teachings in our lives on earth so that we may live forever with him in heaven. Amen.

~ Taken from Saints & Angels – Catholic Online ~

## Music at the 11am Mass

*Prelude: Prélude du Deuxième Ton by Guillaume-Gabriel Nivers*

*Opening: #753 Praise and Thanksgiving*

*Offertory: #751 We Give You Thanks*

*Communion: #1040 Many and Great*

*Closing: #734 For the Beauty of the Earth*

*Postlude: Toccata in g minor by Johann Pachelbel*



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## Children's Liturgy of the Word

As the school year begins, this wonderful ministry resumes in our parish at the 11 a.m. Sunday Mass. A meeting for all volunteers will be held on Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10 a.m. in the rectory meeting room. Anyone who is interested in joining in this program is welcome to attend.

This meeting will review the materials that will be used and the proper preparation needed to lead children towards a better understanding and greater love of God. Please contact Alice Warford at the parish office or speak to Fr Peter to register for this event.

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### A Parish workshop for all LECTORS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

will take place on Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup> at 9.30 a.m. (following the 9 a.m. Mass).

This is a good opportunity for new people who are interested in participating in these ministries to learn about the different aspects of reading and serving our parish celebrations of Mass. There will be both an introduction and a complete review of procedures and changes, so all current Eucharistic ministers and lectors are required to attend. Please contact Alice Warford through the parish office or speak to Fr Peter to register.



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**FOCUS:** As the Christ, Jesus is the one that Israel has long waited for.

Scripture contains many important questions. Chief among them is the one Jesus asks today. *Who do you say that I am?* How we answer that question goes to the heart of our faith. Can we, like Peter, say *You are the Christ?* And how deep is our commitment to this confession of faith?

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