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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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Letty Denovan 416.755.9569

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)



God is always doing something new – he is mercy and forgiveness for those who seek him. Today’s psalm speaks of the *great things* that God has done. Among them is his giving us the promise to

forgive all who come before him with true contrition and who seek his mercy. Through and in Jesus we have the ability to do this, and when we do, we allow God to “re-create” in us – to do something new in us.

Monday April 8

12:05 pm † John Richardson
requested by Anne & family

Tuesday April 9

12:05 pm

Wednesday April 10

12:05 pm † Patricia Sanchez
requested by Fidelito Sanchez

Thursday April 11

St Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr

12:05 pm

Friday April 12

12:05 pm † Rita Shrubsole
requested by the Thome family

6:30 pm *Stations of the Cross & Mass*

Saturday April 13

St Martin I, Pope & Martyr

9:00 am

5 pm † Domenico & Rocchina Castagnozzi
requested by the MacNeil family

Sunday April 14

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9 am † Patricia Puddister
requested by Karl & Eileen Fortney

11 am † Thomas Garvin on his 1st death anniversary
requested by his sister-in-law, Annie D’Cunha & family



Our last session of our Lenten Series will be held on **Monday, April 8**, from 10.15 to 11.15 am, in the Parish Hall.

The topic is ‘*A Place to call Home*’. Alice Warford will speak on a spirituality of homelessness. Please join us before the 12.05 pm. Mass.

Everyone is invited!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & MASS

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT AT 6:30 PM

The Stations of the Cross provide us with great material for prayer and meditation. Tracing Jesus’s journey from condemnation to crucifixion increases both our sorrow for our sins and our desire for His help in avoiding temptations and in bearing our own crosses.

Meditating on Christ’s passion can help us become more like Him in imitating His virtues of obedience, humility, charity, patience and perseverance.



Join us every Friday during Lent!

Upcoming Events

Mon. Apr. 8	10:15 – 11:15 am	Lenten Series
Wed. Apr. 10	7:30 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thur. Apr. 11	7:30 – 9 pm	Legion of Mary Meeting
Fri. Apr. 12	3:45 – 5 pm	Children's Choir Practice
Sat. Apr. 13	8:30 am – 4:30 pm	CWL Diocesan Meeting
Sat. Apr. 13	3:45 – 5 pm	Confirmation Class
Sun. Apr 14	9 am – 1:30 pm	Legion of Mary Book Barrow

SHARELIFE

Living the Gospel by supporting those with disabilities

Ben, a 66-year-old with a developmental disability, lives with his 90-year-old mother. Without any other family, she didn’t have a plan to take care of him after she no longer was able to do so. She turned to Mary Centre, a ShareLife agency, which matched Ben with a respite worker. This worker gradually introduced Ben to residents of one of Mary Centre’s group homes. Now that he has befriended its residents and staff, Ben will find the eventual transition less overwhelming. He has already developed a sense of belonging to his future community.



May 5th is ShareLife Sunday
Please give generously



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

MONDAY to WEDNESDAY

11:45 a.m. Confession & 12.05 p.m. Mass

HOLY THURSDAY

7 p.m. Mass followed by adoration till midnight

GOOD FRIDAY

10 a.m. Divine Mercy Novena

1 p.m. Good Friday Service [English]

HOLY SATURDAY

3 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena

7 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY

10 a.m. Mass

11 a.m. Divine Mercy Novena



Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified. Holy Week is not just any week of the year: it is the hinge upon which our Christian

faith and life hangs. If we wish to benefit spiritually from the week, we must decide to get under the surface of the ceremonies that Church offers for our edification, and experience the true meaning of these events. We must commit ourselves to walk through the great mysteries of our salvation *with Jesus* this week and discover how good God has been to us in calling us out of the darkness of our sin into the light of His Life.

Palm Sunday connects us with the enthusiasm of the people of Israel for their salvation. In Jesus, they saw, at least for a moment, their Messiah. They welcomed their humble Savior riding a donkey into Jerusalem but they did not recognize that humility was the only doorway to His Kingdom. We must admit that we are like them: fickle, quick to follow a fad and then just as quick to drop it, shouting praises one week and then murderous threats the next. This is where the journey of Holy Week has to start: we must examine our lack of constancy in the practice of the faith and ask Christ to strengthen us for worship.



Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm leaves which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war.

A week later, Christ would rise from the dead on the first Easter.

During Palm Sunday Mass, palms are distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession into church. The palms are blessed and many people will fashion them into small crosses or other items of personal devotion. These may be returned to the church, or kept for the year.

Because the palms are blessed, they may not be discarded as trash. Instead, they are appropriately gathered at the church and incinerated to create the ashes that will be used in the follow year's Ash Wednesday observance.

The colors of the Mass on Palm Sunday are red and white, symbolizing the redemption in blood that Christ paid for the world.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

GOOD FRIDAY at 10 am

HOLY SATURDAY at 3 pm

EASTER SUNDAY

(following the 10 am Mass)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

April 22nd to April 26th

(following the 12.05 pm Mass)

SATURDAY

April 27th

(following the 9 am Mass)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 28th at 2:45 pm

(followed by light refreshments in the Church Hall)



Jesus, I trust in You

**CATHOLIC MOTHERS SUMMIT
- MIRACLES DO HAPPEN -**

Date: Saturday, April 27 – 2 p.m.

Place: St. Augustine's Seminary (mail chapel below the dome)
2261 Kingston Rd., Toronto

Registration: 1:30 p.m.; **Summit:** 2 p.m.; **Mass:** 5 p.m.

Special Speaker: Sister Briega McKenna, OSC
(flying in from the USA)

Speakers and Topics:

- Sister Briega McKenna – What Must a Mother Teach Her Children?
- Father Terrence McKenna – What Should a Mother Do?
- Dorothy Pilarski – What Three Secrets Must Every Mom Know?

REGISTRATION: <http://www.catholicmomsgroup.com/>

EARLY BIRD: \$25 (before April 9)

REGULAR REGISTRATION: \$30

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