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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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LEGION OF MARY 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)

Reflection

The book of Revelation uses symbolic imagery to paint a picture of heaven. It is, in fact, the record of the Apostle John's vision of heaven. While the symbolic imagery used can sound very confusing to our ears, it portrays deep meaning about salvation and eternal life.



Today we celebrate All Saints Day. This great solemnity calls us in a particular way to turn our gaze toward heaven and remember that we are all called to be saints. In doing this, we look at all the great

saints of our faith for inspiration and guidance. In John's vision of heaven, we learn a few things about saints and heaven.

First, the saints are the ones "marked with the seal." This language invokes an account found in the Old Testament in the book of Ezekiel where the holy ones were marked on their foreheads with the Hebrew letter taw. This letter is shaped like a cross (similar to the English "t"). Thus, the saints are the ones marked with the sign of the cross. This invokes many things in the Christian life, including baptism (where we are signed with the cross), confirmation (where we are sealed with the Holy Spirit through the cross being traced with holy oil on our foreheads), and the sign of the cross itself (that we regularly make in our prayer and worship).

Second, in John's vision he saw, "a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue." This evidences the universal (i.e. catholic) nature of the Church. Heaven is not exclusive to one people group. Rather, there will be people there "from every nation, race, people, and tongue." Furthermore, this gives us hope that there are many, many saints (more than anyone can count).

Third, we learn that the saints endured "great distress" on earth and have been "washed...in the Blood of the Lamb." This teaches us that to become a saint is not an easy road. It is a process of purification, which involves going against the grain of the world and sacrificing. Sanctity comes with a price. Ultimately, the price was the blood of Jesus shed on the cross to cleanse us of our sins. The price of sanctity also involves us joining ourselves to Jesus' sacrifice through selfgiving love.



PARISH RECORDS

As the year-end is quickly approaching, we encourage you to update your contact information if have any changes or additions to

the following:

- Mailing address for mailing of tax receipts, etc.
- Email address for notification, updates, bulletins, etc.
- Telephone #

Please send us an email at <u>immaculatechurch@rogers.com</u> or contact the Parish Office.

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Mon. Nov. 2 [All Souls Day]	12:05 pm	† Jose & Consolacion Salalila and Sebastian & Enerland Lenon, <i>requested by</i> <i>Jenifer & Arnel Lenon</i>			
Tue. Nov. 3	12:05 pm	† Deceased Legionaries, requested by Letty Denovan			
Wed. Nov. 4	12:05 pm	† Merle Chew on her death anniversary, <i>requested by</i> <i>Elrich Chew</i>			
Thu. Nov. 5	12:05 pm	† Josefina Tejada on the 21 st anniversary of her death, <i>requested Teresa Ayles</i>			
Fri. Nov. 6 [1 st Friday]	12:05 pm	† Precillana Ballesteros on the 4 th anniversary of her death, <i>requested by Teresa</i> <i>Ayles</i>			
Sat. Nov. 7 [1 st Saturday]	9:00 am	† Teresita Nene Santos, requested by the Santos family			
	5:00 pm	For the healing & intentons of Jane Eigo, <i>requested by</i> <i>Nereza Frias</i>			
Sun. Nov. 8	9:00 am	For the People of the Parish			
	11:00 am	† Pablo Espolas in remembrance on his birthday, <i>requested by the Esporlas</i> <i>family</i>			



This week the Sanctuary Lamp is dedicated: For the deceased members of The Kelly & Warford families by The Warford family

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

November 7 - 8	ShareLife
November 14 – 15	The Shepherds' Trust

All funds received for these collections will be sent to the Archdiocese. Thank you for your generosity!

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest"



~ Matthew 11:28 ~

Join us every Friday at 11:30 am for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Personal Adoration, Private Prayer, Blessing at 12:00 pm followed by Mass at 12:05 pm

A huge Thank You from St. Vincent de Paul Society!

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul would like to give a huge thank you to our parishioners for their support during our Thanksgiving Food Drive.

We collected a generous amount of food items for the Good Shepherd Ministries. With your donation, we were able to help those in need by providing takeaway meals. Lastly, we would like to recognize your continued



generosity through envelope donations. Thanks to your support, we are able to continue the good work of helping our neighbours who need it the most during these times. Thank you again for your

ongoing support! God Bless!

What is P.A.G.?

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan [P.A.G.] to assist you in your support of the work of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish through your regular parish offerings (*this does not include special collections*).

Advantages for the donor:

- Convenience. Your offering is received automatically on the 20th every month.
- Continual support of your parish when you are away.
- Eliminates writing cheques; or cash via your envelopes

You may stop PAG at any time by simply writing a letter with 30 days notice to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. For more info, pick up a form at the Parish office or email us at <u>immaculatechurch@rogers.com</u>.



Mass will be celebrated on Monday, November 2nd at 12:05 pm on a first come, first served basis [church doors will be opened at 11:00 am].

As we celebrate All Souls Day, we are reminded that death is not the end. We commemorate all the faithful who have passed on from this earth, and we recognize the great hope we have of resurrection. This first reading reminds us that the souls of the just are in the hand of God, and they are in peace. Those who live a righteous (i.e. just) life can, in fact, have immortality and abide with God in love forever.

We remember this reality and have hope for our loved ones who have passed away in faith. We also are reminded that heaven is the goal of all our lives. We are called to live a righteous life through trusting and obeying God. If we remain in friendship with God, we can abide with Him forever in heaven.

Death is not the end, but truly a beginning. God desires for all of us to be in union with Him for all of eternity. It is up to us to say 'yes' to this call or not.

Let us all remember that there is more to life than the here and now. Let us live with eternity in mind, so that we may be among the faithful who will spend eternity with God in heaven. God offers us everything we need to get to heaven, but how will we respond?

BLESSED MOTHER STATUE

The statue of Our Blessed Mother, which is located at the top front of this Church, has been restored by an anonymous and generous donor of our family parish, Our Lady of Good Health.

We thank them for their generosity! Jesus shows his love for us



through people just like you!

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