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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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Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

Fighting Temptations

Mark 1.12-15

The Temptation of Jesus

During this First Sunday of Lent we hear the account of Jesus's temptation in the wilderness. Facing temptations is a part of life. St. Anthony the Great says to "Expect temptation to your last breath." Each time we face a temptation we have the choice of whether we follow Christ or turn away from Him. We should ask ourselves, how hard do we fight to resist temptations?

St. Josemaria Escriva says to fight temptations "Saint Francis of Assisi rolled in the snow, Saint Benedict threw himself into a thorn bush, Saint Bernard plunged into an icy pond ... what have you done?" When temptations come our way, we must intentionally distance ourselves from the source of temptation and pray for strength. Perhaps one practice we can start is praying a Hail Mary as we physically walk away from any potential occasions of sin.

Let us also realize that every sin is tempting us with a twisted version of something good. So instead of just running away from evil, let us run towards what is true, good and beautiful. For example, we won't fall into the temptation to gossip if we form the habit of building people up with our words. We will be less likely to get angry if we practice kind acts towards our neighbour. We won't fall into the sin of lust if we strive to sacrificially love others. This Lent, let us begin to run away from sinful temptations and fill ourselves with good things from God instead. This will allow us to become holier stewards, which will lead to the revitalization of our parishes as our holiness and charity will point others to the love of Christ.

Summary

As we read the account of Jesus' temptation in the desert, we should realize that we too have to fight temptations. When temptations come our way, we must intentionally distance ourselves from the source of temptation and pray for strength. This Lent, let us begin to run away from occasions of sin and fill ourselves with good things from God instead which will slowly help us grow in holiness.

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~



2021 OFFERTORY

ENVELOPES

Ready for pick up

Your box of offertory envelopes can be picked up on **Sundays from noon to 3 pm** in the foyer of the Church or contact the parish office prior to pick up.

Thank you for ongoing support of your parish!

Mass Intentions

Mon.	Feb. 22	12:05 pm	
Tue	Feb. 23	12:05 pm	† Lena D'Agnello on her birthday remembrance, requested by the D'Agnello family
Wed.	Feb. 24	12:05 pm	
Thu.	Feb. 25	12:05 pm	
Fri.	Feb. 26	12:05 pm	
Sat.	Feb. 27	9:00 am 5:00 pm	
Sun.	Feb. 28	9:00 am 11:00 am	For the People of the Parish † Herbert Lloyd James, requested by the Estavillo family

Note: All Mass intentions will be offered during the private daily Mass celebrated by Fr. Charles.

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Monday to Saturday

- Church is presently closed from until further notice

Livestreamed Mass in English on Sundays at 9:00 am

- Can be viewed throughout the day at www.olghtamilparish.com

Sundays from noon – 3:00 pm

[first-come, first-served basis; only 10 people in attendance]

- Private prayer
- Holy Communion Service **

** Kindly leave the church immediately once the **HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE** has ended in order to accommodate others who wish to receive Holy Communion.

We thank you for your co-operation!

PRIVATE PRAYER & ADORATION

Effective Friday, February 26th, and every Friday during Lent from 10 am to 2 pm.

[first-come, first-served basis; only 10 people in attendance and the allotted time for each person is half-an-hour]

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please be reminded of the following:

- That the dispensation from your Sunday obligation remains.
- That those who are symptomatic, have a compromised immune system **or** are at a greater risk of infection, **should remain at home.**

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION FORMATION WEBINAR The Eucharist: Food for Missionary Disciples

On Sunday, February 27, 2021 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to join a webinar to examine the important role the Eucharist has in our lives as missionary disciples. There is no cost to attend, but online registration is required. Please register at <http://bit.ly/EMHCFW-RegisterFeb2021> by Thursday, February 25, 2021. Your registration confirmation email will include details on how to join the webinar. For more information, please see the event poster: <http://bit.ly/EMHCFW-Feb2021Poster>. If you have further questions, please call Ella Okonkwo at: 416-934-3400 ext. 523 or formation@archtoronto.org.

ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX SPIRITUAL LIFE SERIES

February 22, March 8, March 22, April 12,
April 26 - 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY NEWMAN CENTRE
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All are welcome to join a new spiritual life series based on the book *The Story of a Soul* by St. Thérèse of Lisieux. The new series will begin on Monday, February 22 and will be presented in several bi-weekly segments by Fr. Peter Turrone, pastor of the Newman Centre. There will be time for group discussion. Participants will need to purchase the *Study Edition of Story of a Soul*

by Fr. Mark Foley for the class.

REGISTER: <https://thestoryofasoul.eventbrite.ca/>

CONTACT: lenita.lopes@newmantoronto.com

WEBSITE: www.newmantoronto.com

JOIN NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLIC NURSES-CANADA (NACN-Canada)

NACN-Canada's goal is to align professional practice with faith through prayer, education, service and participation in public discourse.

We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Friday, March 5 at 3 p.m. And, we will pray the Divine Mercy Presentation on Tuesday, March 23 at 6 p.m.

Contact us at the email address below to receive Zoom links to these and other events such as Bible study.

CONTACT: NACN-Canada PO Box 19525, Manulife PO, 55 Bloor St. W., Toronto ON M4W 3T9

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WEBSITE: www.catholicnurses.ca

VIRTUAL/ONLINE WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE March 5 – 7, 2021

On these stressful times, give your marriage a booster shot! Restore your loving communication with your spouse and rekindle the romance. The Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where together, you, as husband and wife, learn how to be the best couple you can be. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship!



Contact: Marge & Gerard McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925

Ways to support your parish

- Drop off or mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the **PARISH OFFICE**.
[Kindly do not leave your donation envelope in the mailbox]
- Visit our **Donate Now** page by visiting <https://community.archtoronto.org/page.aspx?pid=413> and select the region for our parish from the map. You will be taken to a page that allows you to choose your parish, amount of your gift – one-time or recurring and payment method – credit card or chequing account.
- You can contribute to the offertory **via on-line banking** – similar to how you may be paying your utility bills. To do this, we need to send you your unique account number. Please e-mail us at campaign@archtoronto.org. In the body of the email, please provide us with your name, address, parish name and municipality. We will email you your account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a payee in your on-line banking. Your gift will be forwarded to your parish. You can make a one-time or recurring gift to your offertory. This is the most cost effective way to donate electronically.

If you have any questions, please contact the Development Office at the Archdiocese of Toronto, [416-934-3400, ext. 540](tel:416-934-3400) or development@archtoronto.org.

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