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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

LIVESTREAM MASS [English]

www.olghtamilparish.com

Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

Sunday at 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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Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544

Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

Raising our Hearts in Prayer
The Healing of Blind Bartimaeus
 Mark 10.46-52

As stewards, we are called to devote a portion of time every day to prayer. Prayer is what allows us to foster and deepen our relationship with God. However, we may sometimes be intimidated by prayer because we are unsure of what words to say or how to say them. We may seek to use complicated and inorganic formulas instead of simply praying in our own natural way.

Today's Gospel shows us that we don't really need to have our "act together" before we begin to pray. In the passage from Mark, we see the blind man Bartimaeus simply sitting on the roadside, yelling at Jesus in pure desperation. His posture probably wasn't reverent, his words not exactly eloquent, yet it was the most earnest prayer that he could have possibly made.

St. Therese of Lisieux says, "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." This simple look towards Heaven is what Bartimaeus fully embodied and is what we too are called to imitate as stewards. Whenever we are in a difficult moment and feel that we cannot pray, let our prayer simply be to raise our minds to God and contemplate His goodness. In times of joy, perhaps our prayer is just to sit before the tabernacle with a spirit of genuine gratitude for all of our blessings. Let us strive to turn to prayer in all circumstance for these moments are very pleasing to God.

Summary

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~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

SERRA'S 'VOCATION SEEDS'



The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org



Mon.	Oct. 25	12:05 pm	† Florentino Sumabat in remembrance on his 96 th birthday, requested by Amy Costales
Tue.	Oct. 26	12:05 pm	† Armindo Evaristo Estrella, requested by the Cabral family
Wed.	Oct. 27	12:05 pm	† Gertrudes, Marciano, Melitona Quial, requested by Erlinda Quial
Thur.	Oct. 28	12:05 pm	† Lorenza Torres on the 6 th anniversary of his death, requested by Tess Fernandez & family
Fri.	Oct. 29	12:05 pm	Birthday thanksgiving, requested by Lito Sanchez
Sat.	Oct. 30	9:00 am	† Consolacion & Jose Salalila, requested by the Lenon family
		5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sun.	Oct. 31	9:00 am	† Sebastian & Enerland Lenon, requested by the Lenon family
		11:00 am	For the Protection of Unborn Children, requested by the Masses for Life Project

A TIP FOR BOOKING A MASS INTENTION



Kindly book your Mass intention prior to issuing payment. Thank you for your co-operation!

We are in great need of volunteers to count the collections on Sundays after the 11am Mass.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- The following are the requirements:
- Counters must be registered in the Parish for at least five years
 - Spouses are not able to count with their spouse or siblings.

Anyone, who is interested in helping out, should fill out a volunteer form. Please contact the Parish Office. We need a minimum of four groups so that each group - consisting of two people, will only have to count just once a month. Training will be provided. Please consider your gift of time in helping out your parish.



4TH ANNUAL PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE

WITH BURNING HEARTS

OCTOBER 26-30, 2021

Don't miss our three main live sessions. All pastors, parish ministry leaders, coordinators and volunteers are welcome!

● **Cultivating the Right Kind of Heartburn: Setting Hearts on Fire through Evangelizing Catechesis** with Joe Paprocki, DMin.

Today, more than ever, we need to set hearts on fire for Jesus Christ. We will explore how we go about cultivating the "right kind of heartburn" through catechesis that is evangelizing.

● **How the New Directory for Catechesis Calls Us to Think, Talk, and Go About Catechesis Differently** with Joe Paprocki, DMin and the Office of Formation for Discipleship staff.

This session will bring together the Church's vision of catechesis and evangelization and how we can adapt the timeless message of Jesus Christ to our present day reality within our parish ministries of stewardship and parish vitality, liturgy, ministries of care, catechesis, family life and ministry with maturing adults.

● **Lectio Divina:** In this session, Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will lead us in reflection through the ancient prayer method of Lectio Divina.

Visit www.archtoronto.org/conference to register and learn more about each session.

Catholic Family Services of Toronto's Online Counselling Sessions

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. Single-session counselling is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. To arrange for a session, please contact: info@cfstoronto.com or 416-921-1163 or 416-222-0048. Leave us a message with your name, email and phone number, and a staff person will contact you. Clients who are interested in pursuing other or additional services in the agency have the option to access our ongoing counselling, wellness or group programs. Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of their inability to pay fees.

POSTER: <http://bit.ly/CFSTorontoOnline>

ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION FOR MEN: ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, November 20 – 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A VIRTUAL EVENT

HOSTED BY ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

St. John Paul II wrote in *Familiaris Consortio*, "St. Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care."

As we celebrate the Year of St. Joseph, we will reflect on his life as a man of strong moral character, contemplation and action. In difficult and challenging times, he teaches us how to humbly surrender to divine providence.

Join us as we reflect on St. Joseph's life, which serves as a model for all men today.

Presenter: Rev. Edwin Gonsalves.

COST: \$25

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POSTER: <https://bit.ly/ReflectionForMen>



SEEKING SPIRITUAL HEALING THE IGNATIAN WAY

Date: Friday, Nov. 5 – 7 p.m. to Sunday, Nov. 7 – 1 p.m.

Place: Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men. This weekend retreat is based on the Ignatian way of "Contemplation in Action," that is, to find God in all things. The retreat is designed to assist each retreatant to come to a higher understanding of their own vocation (God's calling) in the context of their personal contemporary life journey. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ. A suggested offering of \$235 per person. Includes two-nights' accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

REGISTER: www.manresa-canada.ca

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