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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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Alice Warford 416.453.3965

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Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544

Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

A New Season of Stewardship
The Coming of the Son of Man
 Luke 21.25-28, 34-36

We have arrived at the beautiful and powerful season of Advent. It is a season to prepare in awe and wonder for the coming of Christ at Christmas, His coming as a tiny babe wrapped in swaddling clothes. It is also a period to prepare for the final coming of Christ as well as our own individual day of judgement at the end of our lives. We will all be called to give an account of how we used the gifts God gave us to better serve Him and the Church. Essentially, Advent is a season of stewardship.

The readings this Sunday quickly call our attention to the need to be aware of our judgement. The Gospel boldly warns, *“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighted down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life.”* It is so easy for us to lose focus of our heavenly destination by excessive preoccupation with the pleasures and worries of this life. To avoid this pitfall Jesus says to *“be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength.”*

During Advent, we stewards must ask ourselves some difficult reflective questions. Are we staying faithful to our prayer life? Are we using all of our energy to offer our time and talents to our parish community? Are we seeking reconciliation and forgiveness in the sacrament of Confession for the times we’ve failed? Are we living for the present moment or for our heavenly home? Let us get ready for the Lord’s coming and prepare with awe and wonder.

Summary

The readings this Sunday quickly call our attention to the final coming of Christ as well as our own individual day of judgement at the end of our lives. It is so easy for us to lose focus of our heavenly destination by excessive preoccupation with the pleasures and worries of this life. This Advent season, let us heed the advice of Jesus to “be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength.”

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

PERSONAL RELIGIOUS ITEMS

As we strive to keep our place of worship tidy and safe for everyone at all times, we kindly ask that you refrain from disposing of your personal religious items in the church, such as missals, rosaries, booklets, pictures, etc. just to name a few.



Thank you for your co-operation in this matter!



This week
The Sanctuary Lamp
is dedicated
 In thanksgiving & for the intentions
 of
Alice & Brian Warford
 on their 25th wedding anniversary
requested by
The Warford family
Congratulations!



Mass Intentions

Mon.	Nov. 29	12:05 pm	† Rita Cabato Todinez, <i>requested by the Garcia & Francisco families</i>
Tue.	Nov. 30	12:05 pm	† Marcos & Maria Sumagui, <i>requested the Galsim-Nilo family</i>
Wed.	Dec. 1	12:05 pm	Intentions of Eric Nilo & family, <i>requested by the Nilo family</i>
Thur.	Dec.2	12:05 pm	In thanksgiving for the good health of Alfred Ku, <i>requested by the Che family</i>
Fri.	Dec. 3	12:05 pm	In thanksgiving & for the intentions of Louisa Lopez, <i>requested by Jane & William Rocha</i>
Sat.	Dec. 4	9:00 am	† Chita Gaddi & deceased members of the Gaddi family, <i>requested by Leo & Virgie Luzano</i>
		5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sun.	Dec. 5	9:00 am	† Barry Barron on the 1 st anniversary of his death, <i>requested by Darlene & David Barron</i>
		11:00 am	For the Protection of Unborn Children, <i>requested by the Masses for Life Project</i>

THE PERPETUAL FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION

This devotion is held every 1st Saturday of the month following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.
 Join us!



ST. CATHERINE LABOURÉ

Feast day: November 28th

St. Catherine Labouré was born in France on May 2, 1806 as the ninth of 11 children to Pierre and Madeleine Labouré.



In 1815, Catherine's mother passed away, leaving her 9-year-old daughter with the responsibility of caring for the household. After her mother's funeral, Catherine returned home and picked up a statue of the Blessed Virgin. Holding it close, she said, *"Now you will be my mother."*

Growing up, Catherine was known for being a quiet and practical child, though she was extremely devout. A couple of years after her mother's death, Catherine experienced a dream of an old priest motioning her to a room of sick people. *"It is a good deed to look after the sick. God has designs on you. Do not forget it."*

Years later, during a visit to the Daughters of Charity hospital, Catherine saw a picture of the old priest on the wall. She discovered it was of their founder, St. Vincent de Paul. Catherine immediately knew she would become a member of St. Vincent's order. In January 1830, Catherine Labouré entered the novitiate of the Daughters of Charity.

Months later, on July 19, 1830, Catherine woke from her sleep after hearing a child's voice calling her to the chapel as the Blessed Virgin Mary was waiting for her. As Catherine approached the chapel, the door swung open revealing a brilliant light. The Blessed Virgin told Catherine she would be given a mission with all the graces necessary to complete it. Our Lady said, *"God wishes to charge you with a mission. You will be contradicted, but do not fear; you will have the grace to do what is necessary. Tell your spiritual director all that passes within you. Times are evil in France and in the world."*

In November 1830, the Blessed Mother visited Catherine a second time during evening meditations. She showed herself inside an oval frame, standing upon a globe with rays of light coming from her hands toward the globe. Around the frame were the words, *"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."* Mary asked Catherine to take these images to her father confessor, Father Jean Marie Aladel, telling him they should be placed on medallions. **"All who wear them will receive great graces."**

At first, the priest did not believe Catherine, but after two years, he brought her story to the Archbishop. The Archbishop ordered 2,000 medals struck. The medals were dispersed so rapidly and effectively it was said to be miraculous.

Catherine Labouré spent the next 40 years of her life caring for the elderly, sick and disabled. On December 31, 1876, Catherine passed away at 70-years-old. Her body was encased in glass beneath the side altar in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Paris. Her body was discovered to be incorrupt after being exhumed in 1933. She

was beatified by Pope Pius XI on May 28, 1933 and canonized by Pope Pius XII on July 27, 1947. St. Catherine Labouré is often shown with the Daughters of Charity habit and the Miraculous Medal.

St. Catherine Labouré is the patron saint of the elderly, infirmed people and the Miraculous Medal.

~taken from 'Saints & Angels'~

ADOPT A FAMILY 2021

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is inviting parishioners to participate in the **"Adopt a Family"** program. The program aims to bring the Christmas experience to families in our community. As part of the *"Adopt a Family"* program, you will be given a short description of a family in need and we ask you to purchase a gift and/or gift cards for the family. The gift cards will help families prepare for the Christmas season by giving them a chance to purchase presents and food for the holidays.



If you are interested in adopting a family this Christmas, please email Society of SVDP at ihmscarborough.svdp@gmail.com or call us at 647-428-2880 by November 30th.

Thank you for supporting our families and SVDP.
God bless!

ADVENT RETREAT

Topic: A Journey with Mary

Date: December 4, 2021

Time: 9:00a.m. -3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40.00 per person

Location: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre,
1617 Blythe Road

Tel. : 905-278-5229

Email: office@qoa.ca

REMEMBERING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



During the entire month of November, special *'All Souls Day Remembrance'* offering envelopes will be available for your convenience at the side entrance of the church.

All are invited to record the names of the deceased you wish to remember along with your offering and place it in the donation box located near the statue of Our Blessed Mother.

A Mass will be offered for the repose of their souls on **Tuesday, November 30th at 7:00 pm and the donation box will be placed at the altar during the duration of the Mass.**

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