

# **THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

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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](http://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)**

Alice Warford, Sacramental Coordinator

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## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

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## **OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH**

Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544

Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

## Becoming Role Models

### The Baptism of Jesus Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The Catechism says that the sacrament of "Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission." Let us reflect on how Jesus' baptism can teach us more about our own baptism.

Firstly, Jesus didn't need to get baptized because he was already without sin. However, in doing so, He became a model for how we should be baptized for the forgiveness of our sins. Similarly, as stewards we are called to be authentic models of the faith to others. When people see us, do they see what it means to be a disciple? We should be examples of how to live a holy and virtuous life so that others may be inspired by our lives of stewardship.

Moreover, not only is it important to do good, but we must also consciously try to avoid anything that may scandal others. All of the baptized, especially stewards, represent Christ and the Church. If we perform actions that are negative or hurtful, people who observe us may be turned away from the faith. Of course, we are all human and are bound to make mistakes, but we should strive to avoid anything that may significantly hinder others from accepting the faith. Let us always turn to Jesus for help, our true model of holiness and stewardship.

#### Summary

As we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we should first realize that Jesus didn't need to be baptized but rather did so in order to give us an example to imitate. Similarly, as stewards we are called to be authentic models of the faith so that others can be inspired by our witness. Moreover, it is extremely important that we avoid anything that may scandal others because this could drive them away from the Church. Let us strive to be true models of the faith.

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~



## SERRA'S 'VOCATION SEEDS'



As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If so, please contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)



**This week  
The Sanctuary Lamp  
is dedicated**  
In thanksgiving & for the intentions  
of  
**Mel and Mayeth Bitagon**  
on their wedding anniversary  
requested by the Sevilla family

*Congratulations!*



## Mass Intentions

Mon.	Jan. 10	12:05 pm	† Renato Bedana, requested by Leo & Virgie Luzano
Tue.	Jan. 11	12:05 pm	† Antonio Frias, requested by Nereza Frias
Wed.	Jan. 12	12:05 pm	† Judith, Arthur, Agnelo D'Souza, requested by Maria, David Hogg & family
Thur.	Jan. 13	12:05 pm	† Belen & Ramon Bedana, requested by Leo & Virgie Luzano
Fri.	Jan. 14	5:00 pm	† Teresa Buettner, requested by the Cabral family
Sat.	Jan. 15	9:00 am	† Desmond Alphonso, requested by Maria Rapoz
		5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sun.	Jan. 16	9:00 am	† Cristiano Medeiros, requested by Jorgina Medeiros & family
		11:00 am	† Carmen Borja, requested by Regina Borja

## 2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Your envelopes are now ready for pickup. Please ensure that the box has your correct name & number. Extra boxes are available if you wish to use envelopes – kindly ask one of the volunteers.



Thank you for supporting your parish!

## Updating Your Parish Records

Have you moved, changed your telephone # or email address and currently, not receiving our parish emails? If so, please contact the parish office or fill out a Parish Registration Form to keep your records up-to-date as year-end is fast approaching.

Thank you!

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFESSION & CONFIRMATION



Registration will begin on December 12<sup>th</sup> and will close on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Forms are now available at the church entrance



and also through the Immaculate Heart of Mary School.

Classes will begin in February. Due to Covid-19, class sizes will be limited and there will be more than one class each weekend. More information will be made available once we know how many have been registered.

For more information, please contact:

[awarford@archtoronto.org](mailto:awarford@archtoronto.org).

Thank you for your patience!

## 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](mailto: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.

## Friars' Student Writing Contest 2022 Win Great Prizes!

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 13-19 are invited to submit a 450-500-word essay for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated from January 18 to 25, 2022.

This year, the theme and the resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022 have been prepared by the Middle East Council of Churches based in Beirut, Lebanon. The theme of the contest is: "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him" (Mt. 2:2).

**The deadline for the writing contest is Monday, February 14, 2022 at 2 p.m.**

Please see the poster for more contest details:

<https://bit.ly/FriarsStudentWritingContest2022>

PARISH

Update

Due to the highly contagious Omicron variant, effective Wednesday, January 5th:

• Public office hours **are reduced**. Please contact us via telephone at 416-691-6968 or e-mail at [ImmaculateHeartofMarySC@archtoronto.org](mailto:ImmaculateHeartofMarySC@archtoronto.org) instead of in-person **wherever possible**.

- Those feeling unwell should not attend Mass at this time.
- Those attending services should not congregate in large groups before or after Mass, wherever possible.
- Livestream Masses:  
Monday – Friday at 12:05 p.m.  
Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

## Want to donate on-line?

Please visit our parish website at:

<https://immaculateheartofmarysc.archtoronto.org/>

Click the **DONATE** button and follow the instructions.

Thank you for supporting your parish!

## MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2022



Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Kasun, CSB – February 13, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

As part of Marriage Sunday 2022 celebrations, Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB, will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2022. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 13 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). Due to social distancing measures, cathedral attendance is limited to pre-registered couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries and a maximum of one guest per celebrant couple. Registration is now open. Given the limited attendance at the cathedral, we encourage milestone celebrants to register early. Those who are not able to register may join the celebration via livestream Mass here: [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live). The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.

Please visit [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage) to register and to access resources for parishes and couples.

Download the poster here: <https://bit.ly/MarriageSunday-Poster2022>

Download a letter from Cardinal Thomas Collins to married couples: <https://bit.ly/MS-LetterToCouples>

For questions, please visit the FAQ page on the Marriage Sunday website or contact us at [formation@archtoronto.org](mailto:formation@archtoronto.org)



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