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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)**

Alice Warford, Sacramental Coordinator

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

GK Jude Aloysius 416.569.5833

LEGION OF MARY

Letty Denovan 416.755.9569

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Alice Warford 416.453.3965

OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH

Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544

Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

Approaching the Mercy of God
The Parable of the Prodigal Son
Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

This Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the beautiful parable of the prodigal son. This parable offers us an insight into the unfathomable depths of God’s mercy. We are also given an example of the prodigal son to imitate. He teaches us that whenever we fall, we too need to recognize our sin, get up and approach our merciful and loving Father.

However, we may at times find it difficult to accept just how generously God bestows His mercy on those who seek Him. We may have the notion that God is out to punish those who commit sin. However, there is one particularly beautiful line in the parable this Sunday that can help us ease those fears. It says *that “while [the son] was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him.”*



The beauty in this passage is that the father saw the son “while he was still far off.” This means that he must’ve spent time each day looking out at the horizon, eagerly and lovingly waiting for his son to return. Not only does he see him, he then runs and embraces his son even though he was dirty and smelled like pigs. As stewards, we shouldn’t fear approaching God for His mercy and forgiveness for He longs to grant it to us. Across the Archdiocese, every parish will host a Lenten Day of Reconciliation in which many priests will be available for the sacrament of Confession. Let us take advantage of this beautiful opportunity for healing and prepare ourselves for the Risen Lord at Easter.

Summary

This Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the beautiful parable of the prodigal son which offers us an insight into the unfathomable depths of God’s mercy. We are shown that whenever we fall, we too need to recognize our sin, get up and approach our merciful and loving Father. God longs to forgive us, so let us strive to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent to prepare ourselves for the Risen Lord at Easter.

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~



Mass Intentions

Mon.	Mar. 28	12:05 pm	† Leon S.A., Angeles, & Vincent Aureus, requested by Eufemia Calce & family
Tue.	Mar. 29	12:05 pm	† Cecelio de Castro, Sr., requested by Letty Denovan
Wed.	Mar. 30	12:05 pm	† Patricia McCormick, requested by Fatima Cabral
Thur.	Mar. 31	12:05 pm	† Teresa Buettner, requested by Fatima Cabral
1st Fri.	Apr. 1	12:05 pm	† Teresa Buettner, requested by Clergy, Staff & Parish Community
		7:00 pm	For the healing & intention of Thushy Balan, requested by her mother, Kanavaratnam
1st Sat.	Apr. 2	9:00 am	Living & deceased members of the Catholic Women’s League, requested by Catholic Women’s League – Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
		5:00 pm	
Sun.	Apr. 3	9:00 am	For the People of the Parish
		11:00 am	† Tedora Esporlas on her birthday remembrance, requested by the Esporlas family

HEALING AFTER ABORTION
DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING FOR WOMEN
 Saturday, April 2 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Sisters of Life are hosting a Day of Prayer and Healing for women seeking healing after abortion. The day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided.

Please contact The Sisters of Life for more information about the location.

CONTACT: The Sisters of Life

PHONE: 416-463-2722

EMAIL: toronto@sistersoflife.org

WEBSITE: <https://bit.ly/HopeAndHealingSOL>

SVDP LENTEN FOOD DRIVE



Help feed our neighbours in need this Easter. The Society of St. Vincent De Paul is collecting food items to support the Good Shepherd Ministries food bank. "A small donation can go a long way for a family or neighbour in need."

Donation bins will be available in the church foyer for the duration of the drive. Most needed items are:

mayonnaise, mustard, cereal, granola bars, canned soup, peanut butter and jam.

Collection dates for the weekend of April 2nd and 3rd & April 9th and 10th.



Thank you in advance for your generosity!

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE 2022

Fr. Joshua Roldan, Director of Office of Catholic Youth

Steubenville Toronto group registration is now open! This year Steubenville is happening at Canada Christian College, 300 Water St., in Whitby, **from July 15 to 17, 2022.**

Steubenville Youth Conferences provide opportunities for our high school teens to encounter Christ and experience the Church in a whole new way! This year's theme is:

FEARLESS (Jn 16:33).

A group can be a parish high school youth ministry, high school altar servers, a high school chaplaincy or even simply a group of friends with parent chaperones. If you'd like to bring a group to Steubenville for the first time, but don't know where to start, feel free to reach out to us – we'd be happy to help

Steubenville Youth Conferences bring together some of the best Catholic speakers and musicians in North America and provide opportunities for our high school teens to encounter Christ and experience the Church in a whole new way!

For more information and to register, visit:

www.steubenvilletoronto.com

EMAIL: youth@ocytoronto.org

WEBSITE: www.steubenvilletoronto.com

SUPPORT OUR LENTEN SHARELIFE APPEAL

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday. "Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal of \$13.8 million. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part." – Cardinal Thomas Collins



Please give generously on ShareLife Sunday during the special collection or at sharelife.org.

DAYS OF CONFESSION FOR LENT

"So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion.

Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes to heal the sick. And, one of his first acts after the Resurrection was to entrust to the Church the power to forgive sins in his name.

Thus, in order to undergo an authentic and renewed conversion, and to encounter the Love of God, a focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation – this most powerful encounter with divine mercy – is essential." - Thomas Cardinal Collins.

Confessions at our parish will be available on Friday, April 8th

TIME

- 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm &
- 4:00 pm -6:30 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- 6:30 pm followed by Mass in English
- 7:30 pm followed by Mass in Tamil



SPIRITUALLY DIRECTED LENTEN RETREAT FOR STUDENTS

Date: Friday, April 1 – 4:30 p.m. to Saturday, April 2 – 4:30 p.m.

Place: Newman Centre Catholic Mission
89 St. George St., Toronto

Join us for our Spiritually Directed Lenten Retreat for Students. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations. Retreats remove us from noise and distraction, and into a place of spiritual refreshment and renewal. This is a free retreat. Refreshments will be served.

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REGISTER: www.newmanlentstudents.eventbrite.ca

UPDATING YOUR INFO ON THE PARISH DATABASE



Not receiving our emails? Change in your mailing address or telephone #?

How to update: Pick up a parish registration form in the foyer of the church; and upon completion, please submit in the offertory basket or at the parish office. Thank you for your co-operation!



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