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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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OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH

Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544 Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

Playing our Part in the Church John 1.29-34 - The Lamb of God

Even in today's short Gospel passage, we can learn a lot about authentic stewardship through the example of St. John the Baptist. John used his gifts of prophecy and preaching to help make Christ known. He readily used his gifts for the service of Christ and His mission. We should ask ourselves, how are we using our gifts to serve Christ?



Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship says that our time, talent and treasure "are the gifts that each of us has freely received, and which we need to use responsibly in a spirit of gratitude. If we do that ... then we will experience the joyful serenity of deep stewardship."

As we are still in the month of January, it is never too late to commit to a deeper life of stewardship this year. Let us strive to be intentional and tangible in our resolve to be stewards. For starters, it is important to gratefully acknowledge that all we have in our lives is from God. Let us begin to take time each day in prayer to thank Him for all of His blessings. Secondly, by prayerfully examining our talents, let us seek groups or ministries in the parish in which we can give our gifts back to God. We don't need to be intimidated if we feel we cannot do great things for our parish, for all of us has a role to play. Let us conclude today's reflection by pondering the following words of encouragement by St. Teresa of Calcutta. "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~



This week
The Sanctuary Lamp
is dedicated

In thanksgiving & for the intentions of Roald Russel Palaya on his 30th birthday



requested by The Sevilla family



Mass Intentions



Mon.	Jan. 16	12:05 pm	For the healing & intentions of Letty Denovan, requested by Libby Tillo
Tue.	Jan. 17	12:05 pm	
Wed.	Jan. 18	12:05 pm	
Thur.	Jan. 19	12:05 pm	
Fri.	Jan. 20	12:05 pm	For the health intention of Lina Vitello, requested by Carol Morra
Sat.	Jan. 21	9:00 am 5:00 pm	For the intentions of Nereza Frias, requested by Nereza Frias
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Sun.	Jan. 22	9:00 am	† Catalino Pasquin, requested by Nereza Frias
		11:00 am	For the People of the Parish

CAN'T FIND YOUR 2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES?



For 2023, all offertory envelopes box numbers have been **reassigned**. Please pick up a **NEW** box from one of the volunteers

and follow the instructions on the box. It is mandatory that you discontinue using your 2022 envelopes and old envelopes.

If you have not yet picked up your 2023 offertory envelopes and would like to donate, VISITOR ENVELOPES are available at the front and side entrances of the church for your convenience, <u>or</u> visit our parish website and click the 'DONATE' button <u>or</u> call the parish office to pick up a NEW box of envelopes.

Thank you for supporting the parish!

TCDSB Kindergarten Registration Wednesday, January 25, 2022 – 10 a.m

Kindergarten in the Toronto Catholic District School Board provides children with a variety of learning experiences in a caring, faith-based environment. Students develop a positive attitude about themselves and others, become more independent and responsible, develop self-regulation skills and appropriate social skills, and solve problems. TCDSB looks forward to welcoming new students for the 2023-2024 school year. Children born in 2019 are eligible to attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2023.

REGISTRATION: SOAR.tcdsb.org FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.tcdsb.org/kindergartenregistration

ST. AGNES

Feast day: January 21st



What is Saint Agnes best known for?

Because of the legend around her martyrdom, Saint Agnes is **patron** saint of those seeking chastity and purity. She is also the patron saint of young girls and girl scouts. Folk custom called for them to practise rituals on Saint Agnes' Eve (20–21 January) with a view to discovering their future husbands.

What made Saint Agnes a saint?

She was believed to have been martyred at the age of 12 because she refused to marry the son of a Roman official, instead declaring herself committed to Christ during an era when Christianity was still an underground religion.

What can we learn from Saint Agnes?

From Saint Agnes, we learn just **how real Jesus is and we learn to hold only onto Him**. We may not all be called to witness to our faith in the same exact way as Saint Agnes, but we are all called to have the same faith and trust that she had in Jesus.

What was St Agnes promised to God?

However, Agnes made a promise to God **never to stain her purity**. Her love for the Lord was great and she hated sin even more than death! – Whenever a man wished to marry Agnes, she would always say, "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse."

What miracles did St Agnes do?

She kept her virginity and faith in God through it all, and had miracles surrounding her before she died. "Her hair grew during her martyrdom, which covered her body. Then, when she was thrown into a fire to die, as a result of her prayers, the flames went out

Reflection

Like that of Maria Goretti in the 20th century, the martyrdom of a virginal young girl made a deep impression on a society enslaved to a materialistic outlook. Also like Agatha, who died in similar circumstances, Agnes is a symbol that holiness does not depend on length of years, experience, or human effort. It is a gift God offers to all.

JOIN THE CAMPAIGN FOR COMPASSION

The expansion of euthanasia is threatening the lives of Canadians who don't have access to sufficient services to live. Your fellow Canadians need your help. Tell your elected officials that Canadians with life-threatening conditions, disabilities, and mental illness deserve real government investment in services and supports so they

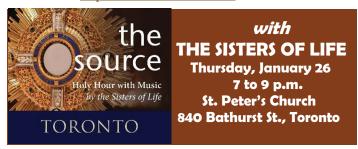
can live. Write to your provincial representative today at **www.nooptionsnochoice.com**

With your help, we can get Canadians the support they need to LIVE.



Date & Time: Sunday January 22 – 2:15 p.m. **Place:** St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica 65 Bond St., Toronto Vesnivka Choir dedicates this Christmas concert to Ukrainian refugees who will be celebrating their first Christmas in Toronto and the GTA. Featuring Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus of North America. Special guest St. Michael's Choir School. Admission is free, but donations are welcome.

REGISTER: UkrainianChristmasConcert.eventbrite.ca WEBSITE: http://www.vesnivka.com/



Oin the Sisters of Life for an evening of prayer and fellowship. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be from 7 to 8 p.m. in St. Peter's. Confessions will be available. From 8 to 9 p.m., we'll have refreshments and fellowship in the parish hall. We hope to see you there.

CONTACT: The Sisters of Life

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DATE: Saturday, February 4 - 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

PLACE: The Royalton Hospitality Inc.

8201 Weston Road, Woodbridge

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