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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

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Monday to Thursday 10 am to 4 pm Susan Lee, Parish Secretary

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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)

Reflection Matthew 17: 1-9

his Sunday we climb Mount Tabor with Jesus. Here, we get a glimpse of the glory of Jesus, whose divine



love is always transforming us. Saint Francis de Sales notes: Jesus, through His Transfiguration, shows us a little spark of the eternal bliss that is awaiting us. Our Lord is transfigured to make us desire eternal happiness in its entirety.

Our gentle Savior wishes to make use of His divine attractions and inspirations to draw us to His most pure love. When God gives us faith, God speaks to our mind through inspirations. These first perceptions of God's love are poured into us through the Holy Spirit. In hearts that give their consent. God, little by little, gently strengthens the holy love that comes from these inspirations.

The disciples experienced such delight on Mount Tabor that they wanted to stay there. Let us also place all our affections on Our Savior and aspire to the happiness that God has prepared for us. God has given us all the necessary means to attain the happiness of eternal glory. We too are climbing Mount Tabor, since we are firmly resolved to serve Our Savior well and to love His divine Goodness. Yet, as it often happens when we begin to grow in holiness, we find our affections are still entangled with useless loves. Don't be upset. It is an opportunity to practice virtue. You have a great desire for holiness. Nourish this desire and let it grow each day. If you stumble, cry out to Our Lord who desires your love, and will hold you by the hand. Without growing weary, let us climb Mount Tabor toward the heavenly vision our Savior gave us.

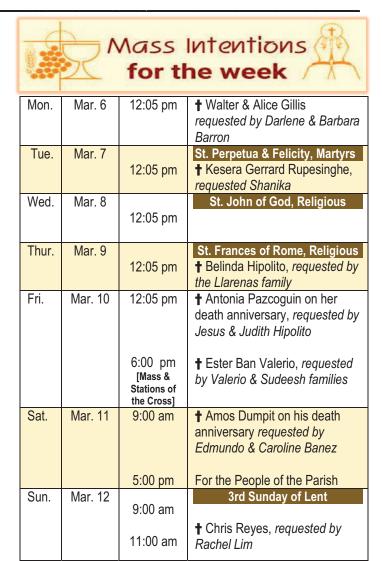
Walk joyously, then, among the difficulties of this passing life. Embrace all the challenges that you encounter along the path that God has marked out for you and be at peace. Transformation is the true mark of a divine visitation. May you always desire it!

(Adapted from the writings of Saint Francis de Sales) ~ taken form the https://oblates.squarespace.com/salesian ~

2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



 \mathcal{F} or 2023, all offertory envelopes box numbers will be **reassigned**. Please contact the parish office to pick up your NEW box of envelopes. Thank you for supporting the parish!



CWL MEETING

 \mathcal{P} lease join the Catholic Women's League for their upcoming meeting. Details are as follows: Date: Sunday, March 5th

Time: After the 9 am Mass Place: Counting Room in the rectory basement



New Members are welcome!

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND NOV. 26 - DEC 4 2023



 \mathcal{O} f you're interested or need more information, you are invited to an orientation on Thursday, March 30th @ 7 pm in the parish hall.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Every Friday throughout Lent, there will be Mass & Stations of the Cross at 6:00 pm. Join us!



Lent is a perfect time to examine what goes on in our minds: to reflect on the way we think and ask whether our thoughts (and the actions which flow from them) are pleasing to the Lord. Our minds are one of the greatest

gifts that God has given to us. When they are focused on Jesus, they have the capacity to receive "every spiritual blessing in the heavens" – to the point where we actually take on the "mind of Christ" (Ephesians 1:3; 1 Corinthians 2:16). However, our minds also have the capacity to reject Jesus. Isn't it ironic how this magnificent gift can be either one of our greatest assets or one of our greatest hindrances in the spiritual life? This is why we need a season like Lent to focus on examining our inner lives.

Life is not only about our striving to do good and resist temptation. It is also about quietly letting the free gift of God's grace do its own work in renewing our minds.

When we seek Jesus, we will find him. We will find a power working in us – moving us to be like Him – that we know is not of us. We know that this power comes from God because it makes us more loving, more peaceful, and more able to resist temptation. These are all signs of a renewed mind, and they are all transformations that you can experience during these next forty days.

God wants to give his children – YOU - many great gifts; all we have to do is ask, seek, and knock (*Matthew* 7:7-12). Place your trust in Jesus this Lent. He wants to renew you. **All you have to do is open the door and let him in** (*Revelation. 3:20*)!!

LENTEN RETREAT

Facilitated by our Centre Team

When: Saturday, March 18,2023 Time: 9:00AM -3:00PM Cost: \$45.00 includes lunch Where: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre 1617 Blythe Road Contact: JEAN 905-278-5229 OR Email: OFFICE@QOA.CA

Society of St. Vincent de Paul LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

Help feed our neighbours in need this Easter. The Society of St. Vincent De Paul is collecting non-perishable 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 fover for the duration of the drive. Most

needed items are: mayonnaise, mustard, cereal, granola bars, individual juice boxes, peanut butter and jam. Collection dates for the weekends of March 18 & 19, 25 & 26 April 1 & 2.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

 \mathcal{P} lease join us on Monday March 20th for Mass at 12:05pm, followed by a light luncheon in the hall to celebrate the Principal Patron of Canada and the Patron of the Universal Church.



We will be sure to have some zeppole, a traditional Italian treat, for this feast. Donation of food for the luncheon would be greatly appreciated.

Contact the parish office either by phone [416-691-6968] or via email [<u>immaculateheartofmarysc@archtoronto.org</u>] to let us know what you could bring before March 15th. We look forward to celebrating this day with you!

COME & SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND RETREAT

March 17, 2023 - March 19, 2023 at St. Augustine's Seminary

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, March 17 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, March 19 (2:30 p.m.).

This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.

Registration must be done online at: www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee

For more information: vocations@archtoronto.org.

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