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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

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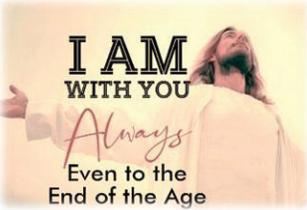
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Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

Being the Hands & Feet of Christ The Commissioning of the Disciples Matthew 28.16-20

This Sunday we celebrate the great feast of the Ascension of the Lord which is ripe with spiritual importance and depth. Let us examine how the Lord's ascension affects us as stewards. Firstly, when the apostles watched the Lord



ascend into heaven, two angels appeared and asked them "why do you stand looking up toward heaven?" The apostles were not meant to stay there constantly gazing heavenward. Instead, they, like us, are called to live firmly on this earth with

our whole purpose set on reaching heaven and leading as many people with us as possible.

We see this at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel when Jesus gives the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action. A call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. We do this through the strength of Christ within us who says "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

It is now up to us to cooperate with the Spirit and make disciples of the whole world. Let us end by pondering the beautiful saying of St. Teresa of Avila. "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His Body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

Summary

Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action for at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel He gives us the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." This is a call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. Let us strive to do this through the strength of Christ within us who says "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

NEED TO USE or TO PICK UP YOUR 2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



Kindly ask one of the volunteers when you attend Mass or contact the parish office to pick up your NEW box of envelopes. For new parishioners, please pick a parish registration form to be completed as well.

Thank you for supporting the parish!

Mass Intentions for the week

Monday	May 22	12:05 pm	† Sylvina Estrella, requested by Fatima Cabral
Tuesday	May 23	12:05 pm	
Wednesday	May 24	12:05 pm	
Thursday	May 25	12:05 pm	Moon Chirenia & Jeong Myung Geon, requested by Sarah Jeong
Friday	May 26	12:05 pm	
Saturday	May 27	9:00 am 5:00 pm	† Deceased members of the Catholic Women's League, requested by the Catholic Women's League
Sunday	May 28	9:00 am 11:00 am	For the People of the Parish † Edward Diogo, requested by the Diogo family

A Day of Retreat for Seniors

When: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 , 9:00am to 3:00pm
Where: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga
Facilitated by Father Daniel and Anne hales
Cost: \$45.00 lunch included
Contact: Jean 905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca

Stained Glass Preservation

We are still accepting donations for the preservation of the Stained Glass windows which has now been completed. Kindly contact the parish office for more information:

- If you are interested in donating to one of the windows for a special intention or in memory of a loved one.
- If you would like to make a donation.

To those have already donated, thank you.

Please support the parish in this project!



Victoria Day



The parish office will be closed in recognition of this public holiday. **Mass will be celebrated as usual at 12:05 pm.**

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO'S NEWEST PRIESTS



On Saturday, May 13, 2023, Archbishop Francis Leo ordained seven transitional deacons with the Sacrament of Holy Orders as priests who will serve in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

As a faith community, we invite you to pray for all those who continue to serve and, in a special way, our newly ordained priests: Rev. Sávio Bruto da Costa, Rev. Sean Jacob, Rev. Mirko Ljuba, Rev. Carlos Marquez, Rev. Cole Powers, Rev. John Wang and Rev. Matthew Wang.

Let us also pray for those who are currently in formation to the priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary and at the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

We give thanks to God for all those who have answered the call to serve the Church through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life.

Q&A: The Ascension of the Lord

By Fr. Rick Poblocki

What is the Ascension of the Lord?

The Ascension of the Lord refers to "the entry of Jesus' humanity into Divine Glory in God's heavenly domain, forty days after Easter" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, Glossary, p. 867; Cf. 659, 665).

What does the Church mean by speaking of Jesus' "humanity" or of His "human nature"?

By Jesus' humanity we mean the human body and soul the Son of God united to His Nature as God at the moment He took flesh in the womb of the Holy Virgin Mary. That moment when "*the word became flesh*" (John 1:14) is called the Incarnation. By Nature, the Church means "*what something is.*" Our human nature consists of a human body and a soul that is capable of thought (called intellect or "reason") and of making choices (called "will" or love). The Son of God added both a soul and body to Himself at His Incarnation, and it is this "human nature" that was exalted at Jesus' Ascension into glory.

When the Lord Jesus appeared to His disciples over this 40 day period, how did they see and experience Him?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Jesus' heavenly glory was "veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity" (Catechism, 659). This means that although "Christ's Body was glorified at the moment of His Resurrection, as proved by the new and supernatural properties it subsequently and permanently enjoys" (Luke 24:31; John 20:19, 26) – the disciples saw Him and experienced Him in such a way that even though He was risen from the dead and glorified, He looked like He did when he lived with them on earth.

Was Jesus' Risen Body different from his His Body was before His Death and Resurrection?

Our Lord's Risen Body is the very same body He took from the Blessed Virgin Mary at the moment He became Man; it is the

same Body He had throughout His earthly life; but, in the Resurrection, this earthly Body of His was wonderfully transformed into the glorified state It now possesses. After Jesus' Resurrection and the glorification of His Body, we now speak of His glorified Body.

Will all people rise from the dead?

All people will rise from the dead when Jesus Christ Our Lord returns in glory "to judge the living and the dead." It must be made clear that only those who have been faithful to Christ will share in His glory. Like Christ, we too will rise from the dead by Jesus' power at work in us. We will rise to glory on the Last Day, when our bodies will be reunited with our souls. Those pitiable souls who were unfaithful to God or who rejected His offer of salvation will be damned – separated from Him forever! This eternal separation is called Hell or damnation.

How can a God who is supposed to be so "kind" and "loving" send anyone to hell for all eternity?

God doesn't "send" anyone to hell! People "send themselves" to Hell by deliberately choosing to do what is wrong, refusing or failing to repent of their sins and turn to God, and by their rejection of God.

How is the Lord Jesus able to "raise" us up from the dead and brings us into heaven?

When we die, our body and soul separate from one another – and we do not have the power to reunite them – which is why those who die stay dead. In Baptism we receive the Holy Spirit, Who joins our body and soul to His Being as God. Because in Baptism our bodies and souls are joined to the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit has power and control over them – so even if our body and soul separate, both of them are still united to the Holy Spirit. On the Last Day, the Holy Spirit will reunite our bodies and souls, and we will come back to life in a resurrected state. That's why it's so important to be baptized.

If Jesus is God and His Body was glorified in the Resurrection, why is His Ascension into Heaven so necessary?

It is true that Our Lord was "glorified" at the moment of His Resurrection. But in reciting these words of the Lord Jesus to Saint Mary Magdalene: "I have not yet ascended to the Father, but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to My Father and your Father, to My God and your God" (John 20:17), the Catechism of the Catholic Church points out: "This indicates a difference in manifestation between the glory of the Risen Christ and that of the Christ exalted to the Father's right hand, a transition marked by the historical and transcendent event of the Ascension" (Catechism, 660). In other words, as the Lord Jesus appears to His Apostles and disciples after His Resurrection, they experience Him in a risen and glorious state. In the Ascension and exaltation of the Lord Jesus in glory at the Father's right hand, the disciples are also able to experience Jesus' risen glory as one of triumph and exaltation.

How does the Ascension of Jesus complete God's saving plan?

Jesus' Ascension into heaven accomplished four things:

1. He entered in to the exalted glory He merited.
2. He ascended into Heaven in order to send down upon us the promised Gift of the Holy Spirit.
3. He ascended into heaven in order to be our Intercessor before the Eternal Father.
4. He ascended into heaven in order to prepare a place for us.



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