# 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

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 awarford@archtoronto.org

#### 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)

# Love until it Hurts

## The Greatest Commandment Matthew 22.34-40

One of the most commonly used words in today's culture is "love." It has become so familiar in

our regular language that people use the same word to describe their sentiments towards pizza, their pets and their children. Clearly a different level of love exists between those three things but this common usage of the word can slowly lead us to lose the meaning of love in its truest sense.

In the Gospel today, Jesus boils down all of the commandments into loving God with all our being and



loving our neighbour as ourselves. In order to fully love God and our neighbour, we need to remind ourselves what the true definition and expression of love is. Love is ultimately a sacrifice. It is willing the

good of the other, which involves us foregoing our own interests for theirs.

St. Teresa of Calcutta beautifully says that for "love to be real, it must cost—it must hurt—it must empty us of self." As stewards, we should always keep this understanding of love in our minds because stewardship is essentially a life of love. With this true understanding, we will not be surprised when we face difficulties or suffering in our ministry. Likewise, it helps us ask ourselves

if we're being too comfortable in our generosity and challenges us to give even more of ourselves. Let us seek to constantly serve God and our neighbour in our parish community out of a deep love for them.

#### Summary

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~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~



Our parish Children's Liturgy has resumed during the 11am Mass on Sundays. The Sunday readings are portrayed in a video format so that the children are able to view, understand; and

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also, participate in the Liturgy of the Word at a level better suited for them.

All children ages 4 to 8 years old are welcome to attend!



| onday     | Oct. 30 | 12:05 pm | <b>†</b> Lorenza Torres on her 8th<br>year death anniversary,<br>requested by Tess<br>Fernandez & family                        |
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| Tuesday   | Oct. 31 | 12:05 pm | In thanksgiving & intentions<br>of Shamal Wanigasinghe on<br>his birthday, <i>requested by</i><br><i>Shaline</i>                |
| Wednesday | Nov. 1  | 12:05 pm | <ul> <li>Aniano, Ana, Jose, Celso</li> <li>&amp; Rogelio Recinto,</li> <li>requested by the San Juan</li> <li>family</li> </ul> |
| Thursday  | Nov. 2  | 12:05 pm | Rosario Frias, requested<br>by Nereza Frias   |
| Friday    | Nov. 3  | 12:05 pm | Michal Tkaczyk, requested<br>by Mary  |
| Saturday  | Nov. 4  | 9:00 am  | Amos Dumpit on his<br>birthday remembrance,<br>requested Ed & Caroline<br>Banez   |
|           |         | 5:00 pm  | Intentions of the Nilo family, requested Nilo family  |
| Sunday    | Nov. 5  | 9:00 am  | For the People of the Parish  |
|           |         | 11:00 am | Hanuel Potal, requested<br>by Thelma Potal & family   |

## Stained Glass Preservation

We are in great need of donations for the preservation of the Stained Glass windows which have been completed.

Special envelopes are available at the front & side entrances of the church.

Kindly contact the parish office:

If you are interested in donating to one of the windows for a special intention <u>or</u> in memory of a loved one.

Families or individual ministries are invited to take part in this fund raising project.



Cost: Top - \$5,500; Bottom - \$1,700

## Your support is greatly appreciated!

## SUNDAY MISSALS



Sunday Missals 2023 -2024 are now available for \$5 each. They can be purchased in the foyer of the church before and after all Sunday Masses or at the parish office during the week on Thursdays.

## THE CHURCH Triumphant, Suffering, & Militant

The term **"Church Triumphant"** underlines the truth that in the glory of Heaven, all human sin will have been transformed, death and suffering will be no more, and the glory of God will have triumphed over all the imperfections of human history.

When the Church canonizes a saint, She confirms they are in Heaven. The Pope does this based on the supplied evidence of a holy Catholic life and the evidence of miracles credibly attributed to the prayers of the saint. Canonization says they are in Heaven now and that any purification they might have needed is complete. The



Church is not thereby indicating that the saint required no time in Purgatory, only that their purgation is now complete and they are in Heaven, as seen by the evidence of the miracles wrought by God through their prayers.

Though, we cannot know if or for how long a canonized saint might have needed purification in Purgatory, it seems

likely that even most canonized saints would need some purgation after death. Even very holy people probably need some final cleansing for the Lord to finish and perfect this awesome promise in us.

The **Church Suffering** refers to the Church in Purgatory. Purgatory is not a kind of temporary Hell but rather the threshold, the antechamber of Heaven. In Purgatory, all those, whether Christian or not who have entered the gates of death without reaching the full perfection of life. This perfection is represented in Christ, and so they are cleansed in a kind of ongoing baptism and purified by the Holy Spirit's enlightening fire. The suffering of Purgatory is not one of destruction but the suffering that comes from leaving the old self behind and taking on the new. In November, we pray especially for the Poor or Suffering Souls in Purgatory.

The **Church Militant** refers to the Church on earth. The term "militant" can suggest an antagonistic relationship between the Church and the world. However, it refers to an authentic reality: that the Church on earth works to

overcome the imperfect and sinful dimensions of human existence. The Church's mission is not to oppose the world and society. Rather it is to work for the transformation of the world by the effective preaching of the Gospel, by the instructive power of good works, and the bold witness of the baptized into Christ. Thus, in faith, we ask the Church Triumphant to intercede for us, in hope we pray for the Church Suffering, and in charity, we are the Church Militant!

## REMEMBERING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



 $\mathcal{D}$ uring the entire month of November, a book of remembrance will be on display at the front of the Church sanctuary. You are invited to record the names of the deceased you wish to remember.

Special 'All Souls Day Remembrance' offering envelopes will be available for your convenience, and your offering

can be placed in the donation box located near the statue of Our Blessed Mother.

On **Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.,** a bilingual *[English & Tamil]* Mass will be offered for the repose of their souls.

# ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO Serra's 'Vocation Seeds'

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind."

∠ive in that love in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

## MASS INTENTION BOOKING

 $\mathcal{O}$ n order to serve you better, we kindly ask that you book your Mass intention through any one of the following ways:

- Contact the parish office on Thursdays
- Send an email to <u>immaculatechurch@rogers.com</u>
- Visit the parish office on Thursdays

Thank you for your co-operation!



Daylight saving time ends at 2:00 A.M. Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422

