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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

Saturday at 9:00 am & 5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday at 11:00 am

FATIMA DEVOTION

Every 1st Saturday of the month
following the 9:00 am Mass

LIVESTREAM MASS [English]

www.olghtamilparish.com

Sunday at 11:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday at 11.30 am | Saturday at 4.30 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Susan Lee, Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

(Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA)

Alice Warford, Sacramental Coordinator

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Selva S. 647-656-0846

LEGION OF MARY

Br. Wally Gubuan 416.267.3900

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)

Becoming Role Models

The Baptism of Jesus

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The Catechism says that the sacrament of “baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission.” Let us reflect on how Jesus’ baptism can teach us more about our own baptism.

Firstly, Jesus didn’t need to get baptized because he was already without sin. However, in doing so, He became a



model for how we should be baptized for the forgiveness of our sins. Similarly, as stewards we are called to be authentic models of the faith to others. When people see us, do they see what it means to be a disciple? We should be examples of how to live a holy and virtuous life so that others may be

inspired by our lives of stewardship.

Moreover, not only is it important to do good, but we must also consciously try to avoid anything that may scandal others. All of the baptized, especially stewards, represent Christ and the Church. If we perform actions that are negative or hurtful, people who observe us may be turned away from the faith. Of course, we are all human and are bound to make mistakes, but we should strive to avoid anything that may significantly hinder others from accepting the faith. Let us always turn to Jesus for help, our true model of holiness and stewardship,

Summary

As we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we should first realize that Jesus didn’t need to be baptized but rather did so in order to give us an example to imitate. Similarly, as stewards we are called to be authentic models of the faith so that others can be inspired by our witness.

Moreover, it is extremely important that we avoid anything that may scandal others because this could drive them away from the Church. Let us strive to be true models of the faith.

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 13th

12:05 pm † Belen & Ramon Bedana
requested by Virgie & Leo Luzano

Tuesday, January 14th

12:05 pm

Wednesday, January 15th

12:05 pm

Thursday, January 16th

12:05 pm

Friday, January 17th

12:05 pm In thanksgiving & in honour of St. Jude
requested by the Ferreira family

Saturday, January 18th

9:00 am † Francisco & Philomena Cardoz
requested by Dominic Cardoz

5:00 pm

Sunday, January 19th – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary time

9:00 am In thanksgiving for Jace Castiel Delgado
Requested by the Delgado family

11:00 am For the People of the Parish



Registration

Kindergarten Registration opens in January 22nd, 2025 for children born in 2020.

Please note: Children baptized in a recognized Christian Orthodox Church affiliated with the See of Constantinople or Alexandria are welcome to apply

For further assistance or clarification, please contact the Immaculate Heart of Mary School at 416-393-5272.

PERSONAL PRAYER



Personal prayer is important in the promotion of our living relationship as children of God with our Father who is goodness itself, with Jesus Christ his Son and our Redeemer, and with the Holy Spirit our Sanctifier. A life of

prayer is the habit of being in the presence of the thrice-holy God and in communion with him (cf. CCC, n. 2565).

The Church will be opened from 5pm - 7 pm, Monday to Friday for personal prayer.

LOCAL EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

As communicated by Archbishop Leo, there will be a series of local events to celebrate this significant moment for the Archdiocese of Toronto. In addition to the celebration noted below at St. Michael's Cathedral (electronic invitations to follow in the coming weeks), Regional Masses will celebrate our new cardinal as well as the blessed Jubilee Year which opens on December 29.

Please take note of the events for your own calendar, all of which will start at 7:00 p.m.:

- ◆ **St. Michael's Cathedral** (*Mass to celebrate elevation to the College of Cardinals - by invitation only*)
Wednesday, January 15, 2025 (*Mass only, no reception following Mass*)
- ◆ **Western Region** - Wednesday, January 29, 2025
St. Mary's Parish, Brampton
- ◆ **Northern Region** – Tuesday, February 4, 2025
St. Padre Pio Parish, Kleinburg
- ◆ **Eastern Region** – Wednesday, February 19, 2025
St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough
- ◆ **Central Region** – Tuesday, February 25, 2025
St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York

YEAR OF JUBILEE

Pilgrimage for Young Adults

The Archdiocese of Toronto's Office of Catholic Youth is excited to announce that the Jubilee for Youth is filling up fast, with 60 per cent of our 100 spots already taken! The pilgrimage to Rome will take place from July 23 to August 5.

Registrations are open to all young adults ages 19 to 39 until the end of February 2025, so there's still time to secure a spot. Don't miss out—register today at

<https://form.jotform.com/242754342056253!>

Warm Thank You from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul!



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul would like to give a huge thank you to our parishioners for their support this past year.

This past holiday season, we were able to bring the Christmas spirit to those in need through your donations, collection from the poor box and the parishioners who volunteered for the Adopt-a-Family initiative. We were able to help a total of 7 families and 69 individuals (a total of 83 adults and 16 children). All this would not be possible without you. Thank you so much for your generosity and support!

Wishing you a very Happy New Year!

CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY

When: Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Where: St. Roch's Parish,
2889 Islington Ave., North York

Catholic in Recovery is a non-profit organization seeking to serve those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments (including alcoholism, drug addiction, pornography addiction, sex and relationship addiction, compulsive overeating and food addictions, gambling addiction).

Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join others in recovery as we overlap scripture from Sunday's Mass readings, liturgical themes and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer. Confidentiality is protected.

Contact: Catholic in Recovery

Phone: 289-541-8188

Email: cirstroch@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.catholicinrecovery.com>

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Your envelopes can still be picked up at all Sunday Masses or contact the parish office.

◆ Before using the envelopes, please ensure that your name & address is correct on the label.

◆ **Discard all 2024 envelopes** prior to using the new 2025 ones & follow the instructions labelled on the box.

◆ If you are new to the parish, please fill out a parish registration form – one of the volunteers will be able to assist you. Completed forms can be placed in the offertory basket or dropped off at the parish office.



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