

# THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

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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](http://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)  
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## 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)

## Blessed is the One Who Trusts

### Blessings and Woes

In the first reading this Sunday we learn all about the importance of trust. The Lord says to the prophet Jeremiah, “Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord ... That person shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green.” Let us take some time to reflect on the role of trust in our lives as stewards.



Being a steward involves the total gift of our time and talents to our parish community for the good of the Church. However, despite all our good deeds, we may not always see the fruit of our labours. The parish vitality may still seem bleak or people may still seem to lack interior conversion. However, this is where the need for trust comes in.

We must trust that God will surely bless our stewardship and bring about great graces, even though we do not see them. Whenever we begin to lose hope because of the slow progress in our ministry, we can look to our own lives for reassurance. We ourselves probably didn't have a conversion experience the first time we heard the Gospel. All of those moments were instead slow and gradual movements the Lord used to bring us to where we are now. Let us trust that God is silently doing great things through the gift of ourselves and strive to work ever more ardently.

#### Summary

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~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

## Mass Intentions

### FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm** In thanksgiving & in honour of St. Philomena  
*requested by Angela De Ga*

#### Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm** Healing intentions of Venilde Ferreira  
*requested by Angela Cabral*

#### Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm †** Jose Torres Sr. on his birthday remembrance  
*requested by Tess & family*

#### Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>

**12:05 pm** Physical & spiritual healing of Bill & Joan Bailey  
*requested by Lucienne Nelson*

#### Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

**12:05 pm †** Michael Higgins  
*requested by Don Smith*

#### Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>

**9:00 am †** Mariquinha Antao  
*requested by The Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Praesidium*

**5:00 pm** For the People of the Parish

#### Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time

**9:00 am** In thanksgiving & in honour of St. Anthony of Padua  
*requested by Bernadette Limasa*

**11:00 am †** Emil Zarris, Jr. on his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday remembrance  
*requested by Tess & Lito*



### 2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you have not yet picked up your 2025 offertory envelopes, kindly ask one of the volunteers to assist you or contact the parish office. Please discard all OLD envelopes. We thank you for your co-operation.



### TAX RECEIPTS

You will receive them in the mail on or before Monday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.



## FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER

*“You are Peter; and on this Rock I will build my Church; and never will the powers of death overcome it.” (Matthew 16:18)*

The Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, commemorates the authority that Jesus gave to Peter, appointing the Apostle to be the head of the Church.

Originally, the feast was celebrated twice annually on January 18 (Saint Peter’s first sermon in Rome) and on February 22 (his first teaching in Antioch). In 1960, Pope John XXIII tried to establish the celebration of the feast on a single date with many traditionalist Catholics objecting to the change. Nine years later, after speculations, February 22 was marked in the Roman Calendar as the feast’s official date.

Since the 4<sup>th</sup> century, the feast has been celebrated in Rome to signify

the unity of the Church that Christ built upon Peter. In celebration of the feast, the Catholic Church also acknowledges Saint Peter as the Church’s first Pope with his mission continuing through the current Holy See. In addition, the Church also proclaims that the authority given to Peter has been entrusted to the succeeding Popes in the past 2000 years.

The Chair of Saint Peter symbolizes the ecclesiastical authority of Peter as the first Pope, an authority not meant to conquer but to unite; a continuous authority but is not transmitted personally like an inherited authority given from a father to a son or from a family to another. This ecclesiastical authority attaches to the Office of Saint Peter and is entrusted to the office’s succeeding occupant with the charisms promised by Jesus to Saint Peter.

In the apse of Saint Peter’s Basilica, the Cathedra Petri, a sculptured monument enclosing the original wooden chair of Saint Peter is enshrined. Surrounding the Chair are the statues of the four Doctors of the Church namely Saint Ambrose, Saint Anthonasius, Saint John Chrysostom, and Saint Augustine. Above the Cathedra is an alabaster window that shows a dove symbolizing the Holy Spirit.

~ taken from <https://catholink.ph/feast-of-the-chair-of-saint-peter/>

## 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 – see poster for more details.

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!>

## DISPOSAL OF RELIGIOUS ITEMS

### Option 1

As Catholics, we are accustomed to having religious objects "blessed," which signifies the permanent sanctification and dedication of an object for some sacred purpose. Once a religious object is blessed and dedicated for divine worship or veneration, it must be treated with reverence and must not be used in either an improper or profane way (cf. Code of Canon Law, #1171).

What happens when the rosary or statue breaks and is irreparable? Or, when the palm dries out, and the following Palm Sunday provides us with new palm? The basic rule for the disposition of these items is to burn or to bury them.

Therefore, the normal "rule of thumb" is that anything that has been blessed should be burned (and then the ashes buried) or simply buried.

### Option 2

As a Catholic, collecting sacramentals such as votive candles, religious pictures, rosaries (which sometimes break), medals, palm branches and other misc. religious items is fairly common. What do you do if you are unsure if they are blessed?

One option, if they are still useable, is to give them away to other people who could use them. \*\*

### Respectful disposal

The proper disposal of votive candles and other devotionals, if they have been blessed, is to burn or to bury them, most preferably the former in the case of candles. Letting candles burn down entirely, or, if this presents a hazard should the glass candle holders break, burn them by themselves.

It is not a sin to throw away blessed items, but out of proper respect, one should dispose of them in this way. If devotionals have not been blessed, such as some of the holy cards, and such that come through the mail, those are simply pictures and can be thrown away. If you feel uncomfortable throwing them away, you can burn or bury them as well.

~ <https://catholicdos.org/disposal-of-religious-items>

**\*\* Kindly, do not dispose of them by bringing them to the church. We ask that you keep the church tidy at all times. Thank you for your co-operation!**

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR

The Catholic Women’s League will be hosting a ‘Pancake Breakfast’ on Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 after the 9 am & 11 am Masses. More details to follow!



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