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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]

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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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Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

THE CROSS OF CHRIST

Today marks the beginning of Holy Week, the most important and solemn week of the Church's liturgical calendar. In the Gospel this Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. The cross is the most recognizable symbol of our Christian faith. We see crucifixes hanging in Churches, schools, homes and even worn around many people's necks. However, we can become so used to this constant presence of the crucifix that we become indifferent to what it signifies. Let us take a moment to grasp the beauty and truth found in the cross.



God became man and was willing to be crucified for the forgiveness of our sins. It is through the cross that Christ defeats Satan and triumphantly attains our salvation, allowing us to enter our heavenly home. The entire course of human history was dramatically altered because of the cross of Christ. As stewards, we should always view the salvation won through the cross as the greatest gift that God has bestowed on us.

As we approach the Holy Triduum, let us take some time each day this week to reflect on the passion of Christ. Many great saints strongly promoted this practice of calling to mind the sufferings of Christ. We can do this in many ways such as praying the Stations of the Cross or the Sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary, reading the passion narratives in the Bible or simply gazing upon a crucifix. Let us never fail to appreciate the sublime beauty of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

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~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

Mass Intentions

FOR HOLY WEEK

Monday, April 14th

12:05 pm Birthday intentions of Ezra Dinitz on his 2nd birthday
requested by Libby Tillo

Tuesday, April 15th

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

Wednesday, April 16th

12:05 pm † Albert & Celine Gaudette
requested by L & F West

Holy Thursday, April 17th

7:00 pm [no intentions]

Good Friday, April 18th

1:00 pm [no intentions]

Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil, April 19th

7:00 pm † Cora Lorenzo
requested by Grace & Jeanette

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20th

9:00 am For the People of the Parish

11:00 am † Marie Gabriel Milton
requested by Lucienne Nelson

SVPD LENTEN FOOD DRIVE



Help feed our neighbours in need this Lenten season. 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 foyer for the duration of the drive. Most needed items are: tuna & canned meat, soup & stews, canned tomatoes & vegetables, mayonnaise & ketchup, pancake mix, tea bags & coffee beans, chickpeas, tomato sauce, jams, mustard, granola bars and bagged rice. This is the last weekend for collection of food items.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!



The office will be **CLOSED** on Thursday, April 17th, and will **REOPEN** on Thursday, April 24th.



This HOLY WEEK will show us the value of the most important things in our lives - provided we keep our eyes focused on the One [JESUS] who gives meaning to everything.

Palm Sunday connects us with the enthusiasm of the people of Israel for their salvation. In Jesus, they saw, at least for a moment, their Messiah. They welcomed their humble Savior riding a donkey into Jerusalem but they did not recognize that humility was the only doorway to His Kingdom. We must admit that we are like them: fickle, quick to follow a fad and then just as quick to drop it, shouting praises one week and then murderous threats the next. This is where the journey of Holy Week has to start: we must examine our lack of constancy in the practice of the faith and ask Christ to strengthen us for worship.

MONDAY of Holy Week we read in the daily Mass readings that the Pharisees deliberately plot to kill Him. Imagine how this attempt to wipe out their Savior must have pierced the Sacred Heart!

TUESDAY, the Church announces the sad reality that members of the Lord's own inner circle betrayed and denied Him

WEDNESDAY, Judas is shown negotiating our Blessed Lord's life for a few pieces of rotten silver. Will we despair of our weaknesses like Judas and die OR conquer them like Peter and become holy?

HOLY THURSDAY - Lent ends on this day. It is on this day that Our Lord made his firm desire to establish two perpetual gifts for us: one is the sacred priesthood and the other is the Eucharist.

1. It is at this special celebration that we remember and celebrate Jesus' gift of the Eucharist.

2. It is the night when we, including priests, renew our mandate to serve one another in the washing of the feet, which first took place at the Last Supper.

Holy Thursday evening through Easter Sunday is the three day period called the TRIDUUM where we remember Christ's passion, death and resurrection.

GOOD FRIDAY - On Calvary, we notice that He is now accompanied in His suffering by His Mother. She was not at the Last Supper because She was not given the gift of the priesthood, but She walked with Him to another Altar of Sacrifice and stood there in perfect union with His redemptive suffering.

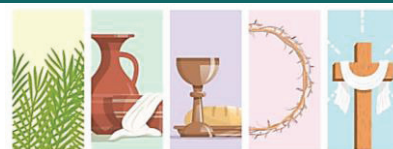
Let us walk with the Mother of Sorrows on this sorrowful day to derive the deepest possible graces from the Cross that

She so perfectly shared in. Then, when He is put in the tomb, let us stay by Her side.

HOLY SATURDAY, Commemorates the period where Jesus' body lay in the tomb. Easter begins with the Easter Vigil. In this Easter Vigil we contemplate, and grieve for the sins that put Him there. We wait in "joyful hope" for the Day that will never end.

EASTER SUNDAY dawns with new and radiant meaning when we experience the full richness of the week called Holy. Easter season commemorates the triumph of our Savior over sin and death. **The Church reminds us that we should rise with Him to a new life of greater fervor and holiness, seeking only to the things of God.**

HOLY WEEK & EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE



| DATE | TIME |
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| PALM SUNDAY – April 13th | Sat. Vigil – 5 pm & Sun. 9 am & 11 am |
| MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY April 14th – 16th | 12:05 pm [Confession: 11:30 – 11:55 am] |
| HOLY THURSDAY April 17th | 7:00 pm followed by adoration until midnight |
| GOOD FRIDAY – April 18th | 1:00 pm Service |
| EASTER VIGIL – Sat. April 19th | 7:00 pm [no weekday 9 am Mass] |
| EASTER SUNDAY – April 20th | 9:00 am & 11:00 am |

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

The Divine Mercy Novena, led by the Legion of Mary, will begin on Good Friday. Schedule is as follows:

GOOD FRIDAY

Apr. 18th at 11:30 am

HOLY SATURDAY

Apr. 19th at 3:00 pm

EASTER SUNDAY

Apr. 20th at 10:15 am

MONDAY – FRIDAY

Apr. 21st to 25th at 12:30 pm

SATURDAY

Apr. 26th - 9:30 am

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Apr. 27th at 3:00 – 3:45 pm

Confession | Exposition & Benediction | Blessings of candles & rosaries

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