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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

EUCHARISTIC 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

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Joining the Celestial Battle

All of us love a good story that involves a fierce battle

between two opposing sides where goodness ultimately triumphs over evil. We get exactly this story in the first reading from the Book of Revelation, in which the war between St. Michael and the angels and the devil and his



army is depicted. Often in our lives as disciples, we too seek to take up arms and fight the good fight to overcome the evilness that pervades our society.

This desire is inherently good, but how can we live this out practically. A good, albeit unexpected, way in which we can join the heavenly armies is by taking up the consistent, daily practice of prayer. The

Catechism of the Catholic Church states that prayer "always presupposes effort ... prayer is a battle. Against whom? Against ourselves and against the wiles of the tempter who does all he can to turn man away from prayer, away from union with God" (CCC 2725).

The Church herself describes prayer inherently as a battle. We can thus channel our desire for a celestial combat into our taking up the arms of prayer. How often do we fight to make time for prayer each day? How often do we recognize how efficacious prayer is for the good of our soul and the Church as a whole? Perhaps one practice we can adopt as stewards is to offer God the first and last thoughts of our day. Let us strive to commit to praying daily, safeguarding this practice from all competing distractions for our time and in doing so, enrich our parish community with the foundation of prayer.

Summary

As we contemplate the celestial battle between the angels and demons we should ask ourselves, how can we join the fight? A good, albeit unexpected, way in which we can join the heavenly armies is by taking up the consistent, daily practice of prayer, which the catechism describes as a battle. Let us strive to commit to praying daily and in doing so, enrich our parish community with the foundation of prayer.

 ${\color{red} \sim \textit{Stewardship Bulletin Reflection} - Archdiocese \ of \ Toronto} \sim$



Monday, September 29th

12:05 pm † Urania Mota

requested by the Cabral family

Tuesday, September 30th

12:05 pm † Samuel Hufana

requested by the Hufana & Abubo families

Wednesday, October 1st

12:05 pm † Fidelina Frias on her birthday remembrance requested by Nereza Frias

Thursday, October 2nd

12:05 pm † Urania Mota

requested by Angela Cabral

1st Friday, October 3rd

12:05 pm For the healing intentions of Kathlyn Ramones requested by Bernadette Limasa

1st Saturday, October 4th

9:00 am † Memoria Estanislao
requested by the Sevilla family

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, October 5th

9:00 am † Syd & Sylvia Warford requested by Alice & Brian Warford

11:00 am † Michaelangelo Drago requested by Leonarda Drago



HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS



This weekend of September 27th/28th, we welcome our special guest Paul, representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

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Oin us as we meet together and watch the Alpha Film Series and discuss life's big questions as we deepen our faith and support each other. We will meet in a relaxed and non-judgmental atmosphere so any comments or questions are welcome.

Alpha is for everyone so come and bring a friend! It's FREE and snacks will be provided. Come & join us on Thursdays from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the church hall!

Register by email at <u>alphamgsfo@gmail.com</u> or use QR code that is on flyer on the parish website or call Monica at 647-939-4098.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is organizing a food drive to prepare for Thanksgiving weekend. With the help of your donation, we can help our neighbours in need access food and other needed items. Items most needed are tomato sauce, soup/ramen, condiments, cereals, spreads, baking items, instant coffee and baby food. Please see our *'Thanksgiving Poster'* for more details on items that can be donated. Our donation bins will be available in the church foyer for the duration of the drive. Collection dates for the weekend of September 20th/21st, 27th/28th and October 4th/5th.

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING



Join us on Tuesday, September 30th at 6 pm in rectory basement.

New members are welcome!



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ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Feast Day: Monday, September 29th

Who Is St. Michael the Archangel?

St. Michael the Archangel is one of the most powerful and revered saints in the Catholic Church. His name, quis ut deus in Latin, means, "Who is like God?" This is a rhetorical challenge to the pride of Satan, and a reminder that our strength is not in ourselves, but in being childlike disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ (see Matt. 18:1-4); and thus that we can do everything our Lord calls us to do, provided we remain in communion with him (see Phil. 4:13). In the Old Testament, St. Michael is presented as a prince or angelic patron of Israel (Dan. 10:1; 12:1). In the New Testament, he is also recognized as the leader of the angelic army that casts Satan and his followers out of heaven (Rev. 12:7–9).

St. Michael, known for his victorious battles against Satan. In addition, St. Michael is a non-bodily being, a pure spirit or angel whom God created, and one who belongs to the angelic choir or division known as archangels. Michael holds a special place in salvation history and in Catholic devotion, as he is often invoked for protection against evil spirits, including during exorcisms.

St. Michael's Roles: Warrior, Guardian, Weigher of Souls, & Angel of Death

- 1.Defender of the Church Protector of the faithful and warrior against evil.
- 2.Leader of the Heavenly Army Goes ahead of all the angels in leading the war against evil, especially Satan and his demonic minions.
- 3. Weigher of Souls Present at and assisting the Lord during our particular judgment, and the Final Judgment (see CCC 1021-1022; 1038-1041).
- 4.Angel of Death Specifically at the hour of our death, serving to protect and, as needed, offering to reconcile people to God before they die.

These roles illustrate his power under God's command and his place as a guardian of the Church and her members.

What is the St. Michael the Archangel Prayer?

One of the most beloved devotions in the Church is the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel, written by Pope Leo XIII in 1886. After celebrating the holy sacrifice of the Mass, Pope Leo XIII had a terrifying vision of demonic forces attacking the Church. In response, he wrote the famous prayer, which was once recited after the end of every Tridentine Low Mass, and which continues to be prayed today after Masses in many parishes throughout the world:

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

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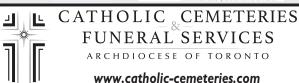


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