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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]

https://www.youtube.com/@olghtamilparish/streams Sunday at 11:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday at 11:30 am | Saturday at 4:30 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 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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Alice Warford: 416.453.3965

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SCHOOL

416.393.5272

OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH PARISH

Rev. Fr. Charles Collins, Pastor: 416.264.6544 Sunday Masses at 12:30 & 4:30 pm (in Tamil)

Preparing Ourselves for Christ



This Sunday marks the beginning of the beautiful season of Advent, a time to deepen our relationship with Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus exhorts us to "keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." This exhortation doesn't imply that we are expected to never sleep, or sin, again, but that we must consistently strive to move from a

life of running towards sin, to a life of running away from sin

One tremendous way we can do this is to receive God's merciful love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is important to remember that the Lord eagerly and lovingly awaits to forgive us. The whole purpose of the Incarnation was for this reason, as St. John says in his first letter, "in this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins." Jesus became man for our salvation. In going to confession, we are enabling the Lord to fulfill His salvific mission in our lives which brings Him boundless joy.

This cleansing of our sins will greatly help us live out our lives as stewards by infusing all of our actions with the grace that flows from the sacrament. In order to receive the graces well, let us foster a sense of contrition for our sins, a firm purpose of amendment for our lives and a commitment to penance. All parishes in the Archdiocese will be hosting an Advent Day of Confessions to make it easier for us to avail ourselves to this sacrament. Let us take this season of preparation to become better stewards by properly preparing our own souls for the coming of Christ in our lives.

Summary

Jesus exhorts us to "keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." One tremendous way we can keep awake is to receive God's merciful love in the sacrament of reconciliation especially this Advent. Let us take this season of preparation to become better stewards by properly preparing our own souls for the coming of Christ in our lives.

 ${\tt \sim Stewardship~Bulletin~Reflection-Archdiocese~of~Toronto} \sim$



Monday December 1st

12:05 pm † Deceased members of the Cabral family requested by the Cabral family

Tuesday, December 2nd

12:05 pm † For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory requested by Bernadetta Limasa

Wednesday, December 3rd

12:05 † Guido, Elisabetta & Luciano Mariani requested by Vince, Anida, Marcello, Larry & Adel Mariani and Luisa Lupo

Thursday, December 4th

12:05 pm In thanksgiving & intentions of Frederico & Libby Tillo on their 45th wedding anniversary requested by Libby

FIRST Friday, December 5th

12:05 pm In thanksgiving & birthday blessings for Idith Uy *requested by Beth*

FIRST Saturday, December 6th

9:00 am In thanksgiving & good health of Conchita Laranang on her birthday requested by the Laranang family

5:00 pm † Estela Lorenzo requested by Jeanette & Grace

Sunday, December 7th

9:00 am For the People of the Parish

11:00 am For the Protection of the Unborn requested by the Mass for Life Project

Adopt A Family 2025

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is inviting parishioners to participate in the "Adopt a Family" program. The program aims to bring the Christmas experience to families in our community. If you choose to adopt, you will be given a short description of a family

in need and we ask you to purchase a gift and/or gift cards for the family. The gift cards will help families prepare for the Christmas season by giving them a chance to purchase presents and food for the holidays.

If you are interested in adopting a family this Christmas, please email Society of SVdP at ihmscarborough.svdp@gmail.com or call us at 647-428-2880 by December 1st.

Thank you for supporting our families and SVdP. God bless!

CHRISTMAS SALE OF RELIGIOUS ITEMS Friday, December 5th

There will be a sale of religious items in the church foyer <u>before</u> and <u>after</u> the 12:05 p.m. Mass on Friday, December 5th.

Rosaries, chaplets, scapulars, statues, books, artwork, and so much more!
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All proceeds will go to support the parish.

SVDP Christmas Assistance

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a Catholic organization whose mission is to live the Gospel message by serving Christ through our neighbours in need with love, respect, justice and joy. Our Society is hoping to bring the love and joy this Christmas season to individuals and families who may find themselves in challenging circumstances this season. If you or your family are interested in receiving assistance during the Christmas season, please contact SVDP for more information, call us at 647-428-2880 by December 5th (families) and December 8th (individuals).



There will be a SOCK DRIVE sponsored by the CWL ladies of the parish, to help the St.

Vincent de Paul Society with their neighbours in need. Warm socks are the number one item needed by homeless people this time of year. Socks can be dropped off in the basket provided at the entrance of the church continuing this weekend until December 8th. Please be generous to those in need. Thank you for your generosity to those in need!

CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE



St. Vincent e Paul will be hosting a food drive to help those in need of food over the holidays. Beginning the first weekend of advent, November 29th & 30th to December 22nd, 2025. The food will be donated to the Good Shepherd.

Please make an effort to help the less fortunate. A drop off bin will be available at the entrance of the church. Most needed items are peanut butter, canned meats and vegetables, rice coffee, cereal, juice boxes and granola bars.

Thank you!

REJOICE!

Saturday, December 13 at 7 PM

St. Michael's Choir School presents REJOICE! Jubilee Celebration - 60 Years at Massey Hall!



This year's Christmas concert, **REJOICE!**:

Jubliee Celebration - 60 Years at Massey Hall, marks a sacred milestone in the life of St. Michael's Choir School and our wider community. As we celebrate six decades of music in this historic space, we embrace the spirit of the Jubliee Year - a time of hope, renewal, and joy in Christ's birth. Let this evening be a song of gratitude for the past, a proclamation of joy in the present, and a prayerful step into the future.

Tickets are now available at www. masseyhall.com. Please use Promo Code: STARLIGHT.

For ticket information, please call the Massey Hall Box Office at 416-872-4255.



The Catholic Women's League will be having their annual Christmas Raffle. Tickets go on sale starting this weekend and will be available at all the Masses every weekend until the fourth week of Advent December 22. The Draw will take place immediately following the 11 am Mass on that same day. Tickets will be 3 for \$5.00 10 for \$10.00 or two arms for \$20.00. Please support these ladies and all they do for the parish.

Calling Out All Young Actors



We are currently looking for children to participate in the acting out the Gospel reading at the Children's Mass at 5 pm on Christmas Eve.

Anyone interested should contact Alice Warford at the parish office, 416-691-6968, before December 1st so we can arrange a few practices.





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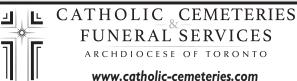
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