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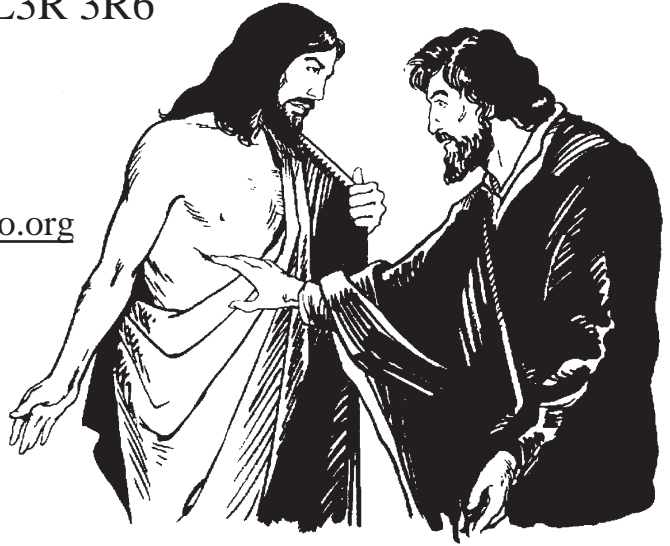
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Pastor - Fr. Allyn Rose (ext. 222)

Associate Pastor - Father Patrick Gnanapragasam (ext 224)

Deacon - Everis Munroe (ext. 223)

Deacon - Sarfaraz Pinto (ext. 226)

Youth Minister - Hill Roshan Arulnesam (ext 225)

Secretary - Jackie Mackenzie (ext. 221)

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00 noon

Ask ushers for listening - aid devices

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Friday 12:10 and 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. (at Convent)

Thurs. evening Mass is in Latin - *forma ordinaria*

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursdays and Fridays after noon Mass until

Benediction at 6:45 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00 and 15 minutes before all Sunday Masses

Monday through Friday from 11:45-12:00 and 6:30 to 6:45

DEVOTIONS TO

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

Will be the Second and Fourth Saturdays
of each month at 9:30 a.m.

An information package should be picked up
at the Parish Office before meeting with the deacon.

MARRIAGES

An information package should be picked up at the Parish
Office before meeting with the priest.

One year advanced planning is required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Families should notify the Parish Office
in the event of serious illness.

“Dominus meus et Deus meus”

SCHOOLS

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PARISH MUSICIANS

Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku 416-298-2541

DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca 90-475-2536

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**All Weekend and weekday
Masses have been cancelled until
further notice.**

**The Church and Offices are closed
until further notice.**

**The phone and email are checked
each day.**

**Father Allyn Rose and Father
Patrick will be available for
confession by appointment.
Leave your Name and number and
they will get back to you.**

**They are also available for
anointing of the sick**

**The Masses each day are said for
the People of the parish. No one
can attend these but they are
offered for this intention.**

**No other Mass intentions will be
accepted at this time.**

**Church Secretary cell phone
number if you need to get in
touch. Jackie Mackenzie
647-530-8872**

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD **SUNDAY MAY 24, 2020**

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Bob Hustins, Elizabeth Wong, Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Michael Ramoutar, Anna Starkiewicz, Fitzroy James, Joyce D'Souza, Esther Cholakian, Lawrence Lee, Maribel Monje, William Lee Ah-Chong, Antonio Tiongson, Alban Munroe, Nancy Lyn Arsenault, Vartouhi Kapandjian, Ardemis Moushian, Josephine Pereira, Chuba Asad, Margaret Carter, Rita Yu, Louis Ma, Erlinda Tiongson, Belen Alcalde, Clemente Magnayi, Bettina Isabel Andal, Angelo Drago, Lilia Tiongson, Marian Pereira, Gene Chong, Maris-Stella Ram-Kumar, Ancilla Campo, Bernard Ho, Loretta Ho Agnes Yuen, William Liu, Helen Dvorak, Edilberto Claveria and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD Father Francis X. Johnson, Father Norman Dodge, for all those who have died from the Covid – 19 Virus and for those who have no one to pray for them.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

1st Reading: Acts 1.1-11

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1.17-23

Gospel: Mathew 28.16-20 – *The Commissioning of the Disciples*

Being the Hands and Feet of Christ

This Sunday we celebrate the great Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord which is ripe with spiritual importance and depth. Let us examine how the Lord's ascension affects us as stewards. Firstly, when the apostles watch the Lord ascend into heaven, two angels appeared and asked them "why do you stand looking up toward heaven?" The apostles were not meant to stay there constantly gazing heavenward. Instead, they, like us, are called to live firmly on this earth with our whole purpose set on reaching heaven and leading as many people with us as possible.

We see this at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel when Jesus gives the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action. A call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and Church. We do this through the strength of Christ within us who says "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

It is now up to us to co-operate with the Spirit and make disciples of the whole world. Let us end by pondering the beautiful saying of St. Teresa of Avila. "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His Body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

PARISH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

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**If you feel you need help with groceries please
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email: stthomastheapostle@bellnet.ca

Our weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)

we received \$3,321.62 May 17, 2020 includes what people have mailed in, dropped off and Pag.

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