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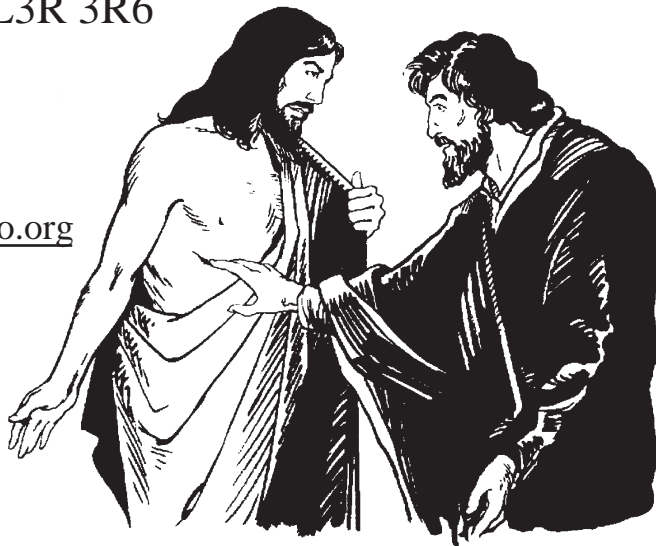
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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 11:45-12:00 and 6:45-7:15

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

St. Benedict 905-475-9646

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PARISH GROUPS

Altar Boys	Father Allyn Rose	Parish Office
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Screening Coordinator	Liz Pinto	905-889-5755
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Legion of Mary Sr.	Amy Rebeiz	647-643-2232
Legion of Mary Jr.	Juliette Huang	416-495-1067
Prayer Group	Al Jacob	416-697-7179
Society of St. Vincent de Paul		905-474-1224 ext. 230
Knights of Columbus	Philip Lee	905-475-6776
Youth Group	Hill Arulnesam	647-281-0062

PARISH MUSICIANS

Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku 416-298-2541

DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca 905-475-2536

St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT 905-475-2350



Monday	12:10 p.m.	+Vincenzo, Vincenza, Frank, Tony and Luciano Gisonni (Melina Del Medico)
Monday	7:30 p.m.	+Francis Dias (Family)
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.	+Mary Kamala Nicholas and Family +Rosaline Thirchelvam and Family (Family)
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of the Rohan Family
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.	+Joseph & Mary Cheung (Josie Woo)
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	12:10 p.m.	Intentions of William Lee Ah Chong (Paul Chong Ah Yan)
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Friday	12:10 p.m.	+Wing Pak Seto (Family)
Friday:	7:30 p.m.	For Vocations to the Priesthood
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	For the living and deceased members of the Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and for their living and deceased families. (Jackie Mackenzie)
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Cassidy Chiu (John and Teresa Chiu)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Virginia and JP Chan (Chit and Josephine Szeto)
Sunday	12:00 p.m.	+Conchita Asuncion (Family)

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY DECEMBER 1, 2019

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Bob Hustins, Elizabeth Wong, Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Michael Ramoutar, Anna Starkiewicz, Fitzroy James, Andrew Carb, Joyce D'Souza, Esther Cholakian, Lawrence Lee, Maribel Monje, William Lee Ah-Chong, Jonrick Carlo Bautista, 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, Andrew, Junny and Afonso Hung, Bettina Isabel Andal, Angelo Drago, Lilia Tiongson, Marian Pereira, Patricia Chong Ah Yan, Gonzalo San Luis, Gene Chong and Gillian Castleford.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

For those who have no one to pray for them.



THE SEASON OF ADVENT

Is a time to prepare reflectively on our Celebration of the Nativity of our Lord. It should be characterized by an attitude of "watch and pray" as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

*THE FIRST FRIDAY OF DECEMBER
OCCURS THIS WEEK*

*ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL
TAKE PLACE UNTIL BENEDICTION AT 11:45*

OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP
WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

if you could write out your requests for particular intentions and place them in the box located near the statue of our patron, St. Thomas the Apostle.

THE MONTHLY TRADITIONAL (LOW MASS) WILL
Will be held this Saturday at 12:00 Noon.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARE SELLING
CAKES AFTER ALL MASSES.
THIS WILL BE THE LAST YEAR.

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life." Are worldly cares dragging you down? Be a follower of the Master. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997**
vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

EDGE WILL MEET MONDAY DECEMBER 2 FOR
GRADES 6, 7 AND 8

ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED and are asked to support the Parish and the needs of the Church by using Sunday Offertory Envelopes and making up for any absence during vacation. New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office.

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal: 7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)

We received: (November 24th – \$7,073.50 (includes PAG)

THE SATURDAY 9:00 A.M. MORNING MASS
WILL BE HELD IN THE CHURCH DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

St. Francis Xavier School:

Confessions: Monday December 2nd at 8:45 a.m. **Mass:**

Advent and Feast Day Tuesday December 3rd^h at 9:00 a.m.

St. Benedict School:

Confessions: Thursday December 12th at 9:15 a.m.

Mass: Friday December 13th at 9:20 a.m.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Wednesday December 4: Parent meeting for all parents (students are not expected to attend) at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday December 7: First Class for Confirmation. 10:00 – 12:00 Noon

Saturday or Sunday December 14-15: Ceremony of Enrollment at all Masses. Confirmation students will receive a blessing and gift at any Mass they attend.

THE ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE WORKS OF THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL for Christmas and though out the year will be taken up on the weekend of December 7/8th
Envelopes will be in the bulletin and on the table at the back of the church the week before.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2020 will be delivered to parishioners who live within the boundaries of our parish by the Knights of Columbus. (and some members of the St. Vincent de Paul). Thank you to all who participated in this project. **Those who live outside our parish area are asked to pick up their box of envelopes from the table at the back of the church.**

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER/DANCE
ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 31, 2019 FROM 6:00 P.M. – 1:00 A.M.

Tickets are \$35.00 for Adults, \$20.00 for children (under 12). Early bird tickets are \$30.00 – before November 30th. Tickets will be available at the international night or to reserve your tickets, contact your OASIS member or email lasis.stthomas@gmail.com See posters in foyer. All proceeds for St. Thomas the Apostle.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES OF YORK REGION

Main office: 21 Dunlop Street, Unit 101 Richmond Hill L4C 2M6 1-800-263-2075, 905-770-7040 Ext 241 – Counselling. CCSYR is a multicultural agency and welcomes people from all ethnic, religious and cultural backgrounds regardless of marital status or sexual orientation. CCSYR is a member of Family Service Ontario and is accredited by the Canadian Centre for Accreditation All locations are wheelchair accessible.

LEGION OF MARY

New Members are welcome. The senior Legion meets in the sacristy on Thursday at 8:10 and the Junior Legion on Friday from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. **For more information, please contact Amy Rebeiz: 647-643-2232 or amy.rebeiz@gmail.com**

ALTAR SERVERS – Boys as young as grade 4 who would like to become Altar Servers should contact Mark Huang to begin preparation. This involves a serious commitment and support from parents. Call the parish office at 905-474-1224

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