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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 8:00, 10:00 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 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

By appointment only. Father Allyn Rose: 416-799-0407 Father Patrick Gnanapragasam: 647-877-1774

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.

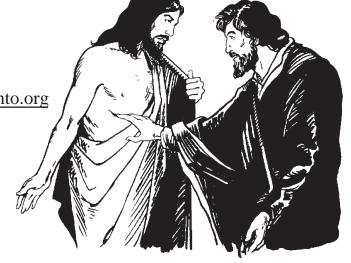
An information package should be picked up at the Parish Office before meeting with the deacon.

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.



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Monday

12:10 p.m.

Souls in Purgatory

Monday

7:00 p.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intention of Jefferson Tse (Family)

Tuesday

12:10 p.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of the Greaves and Gaskin Families

Tuesday

7:00 p.m.

Souls in Purgatory (Anthony Pereira and Family)

Wednesday

12:10 p.m.

+John Tang (Family)

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

+Anna Starkiewicz (Ramsay Family)

Thursday

12:10 p.m.

+William Kut (Family)

Thursday

7:00 p.m.

+Anthony Albert

(Family)

Friday

12:10 p.m.

+Ben Papa, Sr. (Family)

Friday:

7:00 p.m.

Souls in Purgatory

Saturday

9:00 a.m.

+Giuseppa Pucceri, Rosalia Cernigia, Vincenzo Giovenco

(Di Blasi Family)

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

+Reynaldo Rocha (Family)

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

For the People of the Parish

Sunday

10:00 a.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of JP and Virginie Chan (Josie and Chit Szeto)

Sunday

12:00 p.m.

+Alex Chiu

(Knights of Columbus Council 10182)

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY JULY 11, 2021**

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Joyce D'Souza, Lilia Tiongson, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Elizabeth Wong, Domenic D'Souza, Samantha Fernandes, Jerry Wang, Agnes Yuen, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Marien Pereira, Sam Di Blasi, Teresa Cheung, Jessica Kong, Gloria Pereira, Angel Sevilla and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: All who have died from the Covid -19 Virus and for those who have no one to pray for them.

LIVESTREAMING MASSES ON FACEBOOK DAILY 12:10 MASS, SATURDAY MORNING 9:00 A.M. AND SUNDAY 10:00 MASS

PLEASE REGISTER EACH WEEK ON THE WEBSITE FOR THE SUNDAY MASS YOU WISH TO ATTEND

NAMES ADDED AFTER 12:00 NOON ON SATURD+AY WILL NOT BE ON THE LIST THAT THE USHERS HAVE. WE ARE ALLOWED 25% 178 PER MASS

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses) We received \$6,496.75 July 4, 2021 (Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.)

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. 2021 Envelopes can be found in the small hall in alphabetical order. Also, on the website you can arrange to use **PAG**

Jesus instructs His disciples and sends them to preach repentance.

This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in His name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. These two passages, however, are not presented together in Mark's Gospel. Inserted between the two is the report of Herod's fears that Jesus is John the Baptist back from the dead. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, who preached the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

While we do not read these details about John the Baptist in our Gospel this week or next week, our Lectionary sequence stays consistent with Mark's theme. Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in His hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of His disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for His disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word apostle means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows His mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share His authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing His mission as a communal endeavor. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for His needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as His disciples. But like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it.

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