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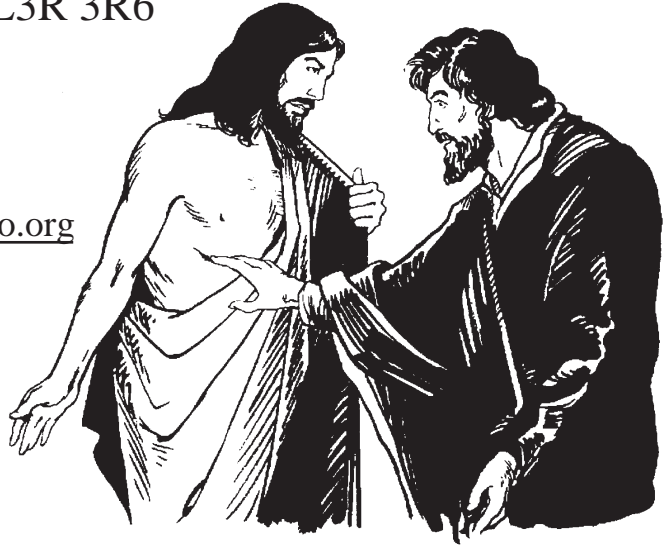
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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 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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DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca	90-475-2536
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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY AUGUST 29, 2021

Monday 12:10 p.m.
+Charles, Maisie and Trevor Daunt
(Family)

Monday 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday 12:10 p.m.
+ J.P. Gaudreault
(Atkins Family)

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday 12:10 p.m.
+Cecilia Mary Pais
(Margaret Tse)

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Thursday 12:10 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Nicholas Poon
(Margaret Tse)

Thursday 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Friday 12:10 p.m.
+Effie Goveas
(Family)

Friday: 7:00 p.m.
Vocations to the Priesthood

Saturday 9:00 a.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
+Agnes Yu
(Atkins Family)

Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Living and deceased Sisters of the
daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and their
living and deceased families.
(Jackie Mackenzie)

Sunday 10:00 a.m.
For the People in the Parish

Sunday 12:00 p.m.
+Tony Sequeira
(Family)

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, Sean Munroe and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday and Friday
After the 12:10 Mass till the 7:00 p.m. Mass

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PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)
We received \$5,872.27 – Aug 22, 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

Gospel Reading Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Jesus teaches that it is that which comes from our hearts that defiles us.

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. We can infer, therefore, that many in Mark's community were not Jewish Christians.

In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding Justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of His first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness – clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to Him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned Him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. In verses omitted in today's reading, we learn that Jesus returned home with his disciples, who in turn questioned Him about what He had taught. The words we read at the conclusion of today's Gospel are addressed to Jesus' disciples. Mark's narrative shows several audiences for Jesus' teaching: His antagonist, the crowds, and Jesus' disciples. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about His message and its meaning.

Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.

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