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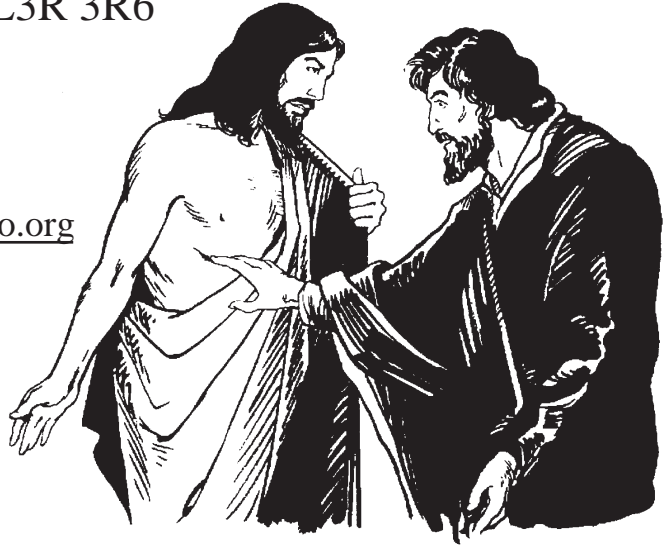
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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.

"Dominus meus et Deus meus"

SCHOOLS

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PARISH MUSICIANS

Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku	416-298-2541
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DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca	90-475-2536
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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

Monday	12:10 p.m.
+Lawrence Cheng (Cheng Family)	
Monday	7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory	
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.
+Hing-Lan Leung (Yu Family)	
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
+John Garel (Family)	
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.
+Stephen and Patty Wong (Margaret Tse)	
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
+Father J. Coghlan, S.J. (Margaret and Joseph)	
Thursday	12:10 p.m.
+Ike Bulos (Family)	
Thursday	7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory	
Friday	12:10 p.m.
+Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric, Jin Sim and Jin Imm Tan (Tan Family)	
Friday:	7:00 p.m.
+Michael Colinaris (Seck Family)	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.
+Marie Smith (Jackie Mackenzie)	
Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Living and deceased members of the Demers and Dube Families (Atkins Family)	
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
+Selwin and Cynthia Seaman (Family)	
Sunday	10:00 a.m.

For the People of the Parish

Sunday	12:00 p.m.
+Leonardo Del Medico (Melina and 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, Aubrey Yee-Sang, Suzanne Chin-Loy, Evette Fernandes, Dorine Coulture, John Yuen 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

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

NAMES ADDED AFTER 12:00 NOON ON SATURDAY WILL
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PARISH OFFERTORY

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

We received, \$5,291.00 (September 12, 202)

(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 9: 30-37

Jesus teaches His disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict His passion, death and Resurrection to His disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and His disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting His passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to prepare His disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying, and were afraid to ask what He meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior: Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and His disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks His disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, they are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in His Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus's name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent Him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching His disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus Himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

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