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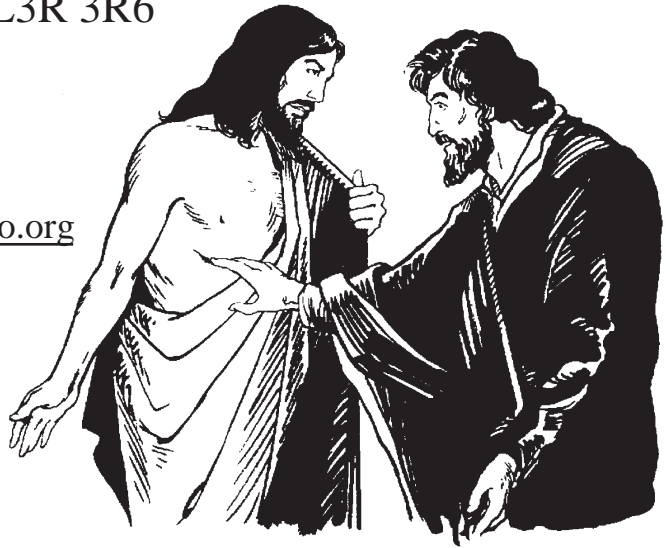
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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)

Secretary - Jackie Mackenzie (ext. 221)

Part Time Secretary (Thursdays) - Maureen Daunt

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 Church)

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

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursday & Fridays after the 12:10 Mass to
7:00 Evening Mass.

CONFESSIONS

Before all Weekend and Weekday Masses

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 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

St. Francis Xavier 905-470-2225

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PARISH GROUPS

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Screening Coordinator	Liz Pinto	905-889-5755
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul		905-474-1224 ext. 230
Knights of Columbus	Neil Ishmael	905-477-3129
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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

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday February 6 12:10 p.m.
Intentions of Lynn Demers
(Family)

Monday February 6 7:00 p.m.
Intention for Elmo Phillip
(Jasmin Garraway)

Tuesday February 7 12:10 p.m.
+Aga Henoch
(Agatha Chan)

Tuesday February 7 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday February 8 12:10 p.m.
+Mary Kamala Nicholas and Family
+Rosaline Thirchelvam and Family
(Family)

Wednesday February 8 7:00 p.m.
+Senia Vera Cruz
(Family)

Thursday February 9 12:10 p.m.
+Manuel and Justa Galindo
(Family)

Thursday February 9 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Friday February 10 12:10 p.m.
+Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric, Jin Sim,
and Jin Imm Tan
(Tan Family)

Friday February 10 7:00 p.m.
Intentions of the Genco Family

Saturday February 11 9:00 a.m.
+Solomon Ritjanayagam

Saturday February 11 5:00 p.m.
For the People of the Parish

Sunday February 12 8:00 a.m.
+Lawrence Fernandes
(Anthony Pereira and Family)

Sunday February 12 10:00 a.m.
Deceased Members of the
McKenna Family

Sunday February 12 12:00 p.m.
+Andrew Carb
(Family)

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2023

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Domenic D'Souza, Jerry Wang, Agnes Yuen, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Marien Pereira, Teresa Cheung, Jessica Kong, Gloria Pereira, Dorine Couture, John Yuen, Betty Chan, Sherwin Wong, Everest D'Souza, Aloysius Carvalho, Nicholas Marshall, Tony Romero, Al Jacob, Alice Lam, Bruce Crepe, William Yung, Loida Ganaden, Romana Pena, Godofredo Pena Jr., Priscilla Lumanlan, Paul Giallonardo, Liza Chan, William Lee Ah-Chong, Amy Tsang, Grace Chan, Mary Foo, Lynn Demers

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: and for those who have no one to pray for them.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2023

"You are the light of the world." Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? I you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Father Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION

Students at St. Benedict and St. Francis Xavier Schools have received their registration forms. If your child does not go to these Schools, please come to the parish office and pick up a registration form. Registration forms have to be handed in, along with a photocopy of your child's Baptismal Certificate and \$35.00 to cover the cost of the catechism book. Holy Communion will take place June 10 at 5:00 p.m. or June 11 at 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FEBRUARY 19, 2023

AFTER MASSES ON SUNDAY

Please join us for a Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Confirmation Candidates on Sunday February 19 after all Sunday Masses.

PARISH OFFERTORY

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

We received, \$5,071.91 (January 29, 2023)

(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. Also, on the website you can arrange to use PAG.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

The in-person Lift Jesus Higher Rally is back after 3 years to be held at the Constitution Hall, Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The theme “Empowered to Stand” based on 1st Corinthians 16:13 “Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong.” Compelling speakers, inspiring personal testimonies, powerful praise and worship music, Divine Mercy celebration, prayer ministry for healing and empowerment, confessions, and Eucharistic Adoration and Procession. His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins will be the celebrant and homilist at the Mass.

Kindly refer to the Notice Board for further details.

Tickets at \$25.00 for the Adult Rally and \$15.00 for the Youth Rally can be had from Deacon Sarfaraz Pinto.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading – Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus teaches that His disciples are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

Following upon the teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus’ time for flavoring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew’s Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus’ call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today’s Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as “a city set on a mountain” that cannot be hidden!

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THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The KOC continue to fundraise by collecting EMPTIES, such as the following: Beer cans or bottles, wine bottles, spirits such as (vodka, rum or whiskey, etc. **Drop off location for empties, downstairs by the washrooms.** All proceeds will go to St. Thomas the Apostle and the Charities of the KOC.

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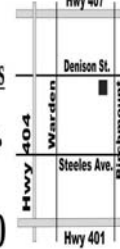
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