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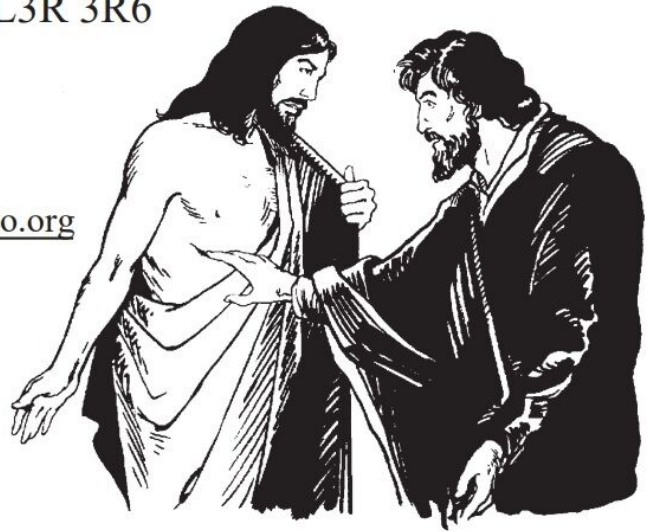
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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.

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Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku 416-298-2541

DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca 905-475-2536

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Mass for the Intentions Week

Sunday June 25 12:00 p.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Rex Tse
(Jefferson Tse)

Monday June 26 12:10 p.m.

+Vivian Lobo and Glenda Lobo
(Family)

Monday June 26 7:00 p.m.

+Senia Veracruz
(Family)

Tuesday June 27 12:10 p.m.

+Anna Lilina

Tuesday June 27 7:00 p.m.

Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday June 28 12:10 p.m.

+Pearl Perera
(Family)

Wednesday June 28 7:00 p.m.

+Christopher Chiu
(Family)

Thursday June 29 12:10 p.m.

Intentions of
James and Christine Lim-Chai-Yam
(Virginie and JP Chan)

Thursday June 29 7:00 p.m.

+Jim Pozniak
(Rose Family)

Friday June 30 12:10 p.m.

In Thanksgiving for the Cheung Family

Friday June 30 7:00 p.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Jefferson and Giovanna Tse
(Family)

Saturday July 1 9:00 a.m.

The Living and Deceased Sisters of the
Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and their
Living and Deceased Families

Saturday July 1 5:00 p.m.

+Chik-Hing Anthony Yu
(Family)

Sunday July 2 8:00 a.m.

For the People of the Parish

Sunday July 2 10:00 a.m.

+George and Rufina Ling
(Family)

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY JUNE 25, 2023

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Aloysius Carvalho, Nicholas Marshall, Tony Romero, Al Jacob, Bruce Crepe, Romana Pena, Godofredo Pena Jr., Priscilla Lumanlan, Paul Giallonardo, Liza Chan, William Lee Ah-Chong, Amy Tsang, Grace Chan, Mary Foo, Lynn Demers, Edwin Quiambao, Mary Josephine Albert, Betty Chan, William Yung, Agnes Yuen, Rowena Poon, Emilia Cabral, Jessica Kong and Dorine Couture

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

OUR SENIOR'S GROUP, OASIS MEETS EVERY TUESDAY AFTER THE NOON MASS

...for a little something for the **mind** (socialize with like-minded people), **body** (physical exercises) and **soul** (Rosary and/or Divine Mercy chaplets), Join us from 1:00 to 3:00 for more information contact us at oasis.stthomas@gmail.com

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Have no fear." Considering an ministerial vocation is not popular, but it may be what God is calling you to. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact: Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

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We have raised \$58,201.12 for ShareLife. Our goal is \$107,000.00 Thank you.

PARISH OFFERTORY Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses) We received: \$7,219.25 (Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.)

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO INVITES

...all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the [Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed](#) on Wednesday August 16, at 7:00 p.m.

Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga (Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum at Assumption Cemetery if raining)

Mass by Most Rev. Frank Leo, Archbishop of Toronto
Christ the King Cemetery, Markham (Mass in the Reception Center at the Cemetery if raining)
Mass by Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen

Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill (Mass at Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross if raining)
Mass by Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau

Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto (Mass at St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Ave., Toronto if raining)
Mass by Most Rev. Robert Kasun, CSB

Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge (St. Anthony's Mausoleum at Queen of Heaven Cemetery if raining)
Mass by Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri

Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby (Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum if raining)
Mass by Rev. Fr. Dominic Barber

St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie (St. Mary's Parish, 65 Amelia Street in Barrie if raining)
Rev. Fr. Laurence J. Leger

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THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Gospel Reading – Matthew 10:26-33
Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them.

We read today's Gospel in the context of last week's Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the Kingdom of Heaven. In between last week's reading and today's reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the Kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body don't have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures His disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to His children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

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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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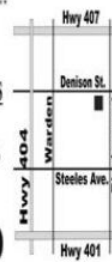
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