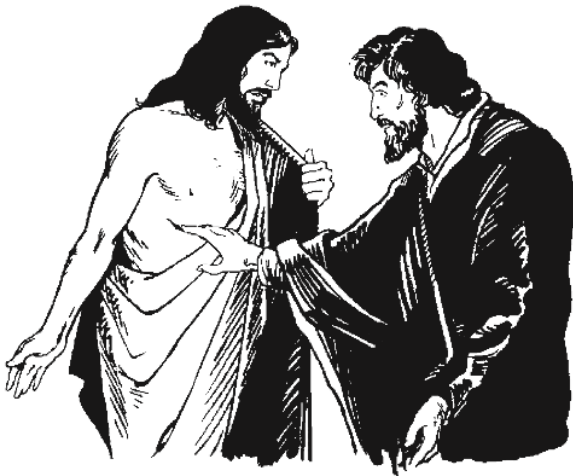


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My Lord and My God

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Altar Servers	Father Joseph
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Legion of Mary Sr.	Seth Bueler
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Seniors	Les Rodrigues
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Musician/Organist	Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku

Pastor: Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan
Retired priest in residence: Fr. Patrick Gnanapragasam

Parish Manager: Jackie Mackenzie
Parish part time staff: Maureen Daunt
Geraldine Rocha

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2 p.m.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday: 12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

CONFESSIONS

Before all Masses on weekdays and Saturdays.

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

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

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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Benedict 905-475-9646 St. Francis
Xavier 905-470-2225
www.ycdsb.ca

DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca 905-475-2536
St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT 905-475-2350

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday December 1

12:10 pm : Intentions of Melania Szeto

7:00 pm : Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday December 2

12:00 pm : +Glenda Lobo and Vivian Lobo
Living and deceased Members
of the Lobo Family

7:00 pm : +Theresa Veerakoon Joseph
(Family)

Wednesday December 3

12:10 pm : +Enrico Nardozi (Family)

7:00 pm : +Enrico Nardozi (Family)

Thursday December 4

12:10 pm: Intentions of Monique Mascoll
(Family)

7:00 pm: In Thanksgiving and for the
Intentions of the Ramajo Family

Friday December 5

12:10 pm: Deceased members of the Alday
Family (Allan Dinglasan)

7:00 pm : Vocations to the Priesthood

Saturday December 6

9:00 am : Living and deceased Members of the
Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and
their living and deceased Families
(Jackie Mackenzie)

5:00 pm : +Fuk Yin Moy and Ah-Hson Chong-
Ah-Yan
(JP and Virginie Chan)

Sunday December 7

8:00 am : +Tony Mendonca
(Family)

10:00 am : For the People of the Parish

12:00 pm: In Thanksgiving and for the
Intentions of Angelyn and Christine
Ah Chong
(Patricia Chong)

In Memoriam:

Let us pray for our departed family members, friends and relatives. We shall also remember those who have no one to pray for them and especially for Fr. Joseph Thomas Walsh, Fr. John Douglas Hilmer, Gaetano Giovenco & Kelvin Ramoutar.



THE CANDLE OF HOPE

O Lord, as we light the first candle of Advent, we pray for hope in our world. May this light remind us to prepare and watch for the coming of Christ our Savior.



Pray with the Saints

Wednesday, December 3rd - Memorial of
St. Francis Xavier, Priest.

Tuesday, November 25th - Memorial of
St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the
Church.

Join us in prayer with these great saints at 12:10 pm and 7:00 pm Masses on weekdays and 9:00 am Saturday.



MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Red Lamps beside the Tabernacle in the Sanctuary are lit for a week in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Please contact the **Parish Office** for more details.

Memorial Lamp Intentions for this Week

Nov 28th – Dec 4th



**For the Repose of the Souls of,
Monica Shuet Hing Cheong,
Shiu Che,
Yeung Kau,
Lee Cheung Kei,**

**Deceased members of Siu's Family,
Deceased members of Yeung's Family,**

Requested By,
Anita Yeung

Let us pray for Our Sisters and Brothers who are Ailing & for our dear ones in Care homes or Hospitals

Nicholas Marshall, Lynn Demers, Grace Li, William Lee Ah-Chong, Deacon Everis Munroe, Linda Sanguinetti, Cecile Isaacs-Garel, Andy Pucyk, Mary Josephine Albert, Dennis Remedios, Eva Lemanac, Conrad Poon, Mary Mangaleswaran, Yvonne Lamanna and Natalia Giovenco.

“Therefore you also must be ready, for the son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect”

- Matthew 23: 44

November 30, 2025

AT OUR PARISH



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL COLLECTION

The Annual St. Vincent De Paul collection is on December 14th. The envelopes will be found on the Bulletin. Envelopes will be given out to those who do not take a bulletin.

ADVENT RETREAT AT OUR PARISH

Dec 06, 2025



“Mother of the Messiah” is the theme for the Advent Day of Prayer and Retreat that will be held in our Parish Main Hall on

Saturday Dec 6, 2025: From 10:00am to 12:00pm.

All are welcome!

Refreshments and a light lunch will be served.

Contact:

Legion of Mary Seniors Seth at 905 474 9981
or Winnie at 416 889 0659



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Join us on Thursday, December 16th, 2025. From 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm at our Parish Hall.

Tickets are \$20 (\$15 Early Bird before Nov. 30)
Enjoy a festive lunch, karaoke, carol singing and fun games.

For ticket information, please contact,
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2025 NEW YEAR EVE'S CELEBRATION



Join us on Wednesday, December 31st, 2025 from 7:00 pm – 1:00 am at our Parish Hall.

Tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses.
Festivities include dinner, music, games and prizes.

All proceeds go to support St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

For ticket information, please contact,
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THANK YOU FOR HELPING YOUR PARISH

We thank you for your continued generosity in supporting your parish. With PAG and Donate Now, Total for last week is \$ 7,323.00



A Message from our Pastor

Wearing violet vestments at Mass—symbols of penance, preparation, and hope—the Church officially inaugurates the Season of Advent. It is a clarion call to repentance and renewal as we prepare to celebrate the Nativity of Christ. Advent's liturgical theme invites us to watch and wait for Christ's threefold coming: His historical birth in Bethlehem, His sacramental presence in the Eucharist—our food and drink foreshadowing the eternal banquet—and His promised glorious return at the end of time.

Today, this sacred season stands as a universal Season of Hope amid widespread uncertainty, despair, and division. In a world wounded by human greed and the misuse of power and authority—especially harming the poor and vulnerable, God's dear ones—Advent reminds us that God's light breaks into every darkness with healing, justice and hope.

Fr. A. Joseph Chandrakanthan
Pastor



MISA DE GALLO NOVENA HOLY MASS AT OUR PARISH

Will be held for 9 days from
December 16th to 24th at 5:30 am.

A personalized Simbang Gabi book now available to order! For more information, please see the flyers available in the foyer after every Mass

CHRISTMAS CARDS & CAKES FOR SALE



The Knights of Columbus will have Christmas. Cards and Cakes for sale at the Church foyer after All Masses on Weekends.



ROSARY APOSTOLATE

Rosary Apostolate is seeking volunteers to send the message of the Rosary to children in the schools under our parish.

For more details contact:
Catalina Nicolas at 416 6488905
Rosalia Di Blasi at 416 414 1324