



MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5pm
Sunday Masses: 9am, 11am, 5pm

Mon – Wed Masses: 8am
Thurs Mass & OLPH Novena:
8am

Fri, Sat & Holidays: 9am Mass
Fri in July & August: 8am Mass

Reconciliation

By Appointment: Call the Pastor
604-2244344

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm

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February 14, 2021

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Church is not a building... for now it is an Online Community

Dear Parishioners,

Since restrictions on worship at Mass were not lifted by Health Authorities on February 5, it looks like we are enroute to our second Lent without in-person gatherings. Hopefully, things will be better by Easter. For now, Ash Wednesday on February 17 will be celebrated with two Masses over Zoom at 8am and 7pm. Walk-through distribution of Eucharist and ashes will take place at 8:30am and again at 7:30pm, both times in the church.

I would like to call your attention to the Meditations on the Cross which we have timed for Lent. This is a presentation featuring each of the crosses in our loft with an accompanying message for you to ponder. In the writings of the saints, we read again and again of our need to ponder the passion of our Lord not just in Holy Week but as much as we can. It would be good if you could set aside a few minutes each day in Lent to meditate from our loft virtually.

More news on Lent preparations - the sign-up for the Lenten Faith Study, *No Greater Love* by Dr Edward Sri, has been set up. The same study will be offered on Friday morning and Sunday afternoon. I hope at least one of these two time slots will suit your schedule. There is no charge for participation.

At this time last year, our parishes were nowhere close to reaching out to their congregations in the creative ways we now have. Let us give thanks to the Lord for the wonders of technology but the fact remains - no amount of technology can make that connection that comes from the heart. It is a reminder that the church is not a building, it is a community. Right now, largely an online community with some opportunities to receive the sacraments. Let us use all the spiritual and technological resources available to dive deeper into our faith during this pandemic.

With you in Christ,
Fr. Babu Mathew, CSsR

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NO GREATER LOVE: PARISH FAITH STUDY

No Greater Love by presenter Dr Edward Sri. The group discussions will be led by Eydie Cowley. You can sign up for Fridays 11am-12pm, Feb 19 - March 19 or Sundays 2pm - 3pm, Feb 21 - March 21. [The sign-up link is here.](#)

MEDITATIONS ON THE CROSS

Spend some time with the Lord this Lent from the loft of OLPH Parish. Each cross with the accompanying text tells a story of the love of our Lord. Come back to it whenever you have a moment. <https://vimeo.com/509635605>



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WEEKDAY MASS ZOOM LINK

Monday – Friday 8am

Ash Wednesday 8am & 7pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88681050215?pwd=ODN6NUgwUFRsYmpSV3lGOEpaclpLdzo9>

Meeting ID: 886 8105 0215 |

Passcode: 966564

SAT 5PM/SUNDAY MASS

LIVESTREAMING LINK

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLWUJ197tg3ZUFgrYrXXFUQ/live>

LINK FOR SUNDAY OFFERING

<https://olphchurch.ca/online-giving/>

COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Please attend a livestreamed Mass at home. The following ways to receive Communion will remain for as long as restrictions to in-person gatherings at Mass are in effect. Please attend a livestreamed Mass before you receive Communion.

WALK-THROUGH COMMUNION

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 9am

Receive Communion at the tabernacle in the church on weekdays. Ash Wednesday: Ashes and Communion at 8:30am & 7:30pm

DRIVE-THROUGH COMMUNION

Saturday: 6pm - 6:30pm

Sunday: 10am - 10:30am / 12pm - 12:30pm

Drive up or walk to the Communion station on Crown Street at the front of the Church to receive the Eucharist after attending a live-streamed Mass at home. Stay in your car, roll down your window and extend your arm to receive Communion then move on. To keep traffic moving, please avoid making a left turn onto West 10th Ave.

SUNDAY ENVELOPES PICK-UP

Sunday Offering envelopes are available for pick-up at the Parish Office during office hours Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 4pm.

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You are my refuge Lord; with deliverance you surround me. – Psalm 32