

December Mass Booking Schedule at OLOL

Dec 8th, Tuesday - 2nd Weekend Mass Booking Opens for all Churches at 9am

Dec 15th, Tuesday - 3rd Weekend Mass Booking and 24/25th Christmas Eve and Day Opens for OLOL at 12pm. 1 Booking per person

Christmas Eve will be any Mass starting between 2:30pm on 24th Dec and 11:59pm.

All parishioners can either book only one Mass for Christmas 24/25th, and any other Weekend Masses that is still available. Mass Bookings to be made at mycatholic.sg/login

Penitential Service - 14 December 2020 from 8pm to 9.30pm.

To register: <https://calendly.com/ololsec/confession-at-olol>

Christmas Mass Schedule

All bookings to be made via myCatholic.sg

24th Dec 2020 Christmas Eve - 7pm & 9pm in English. 11.30pm in Tamil

25th Dec 2020 Christmas Day - 8am, 11am & 12.30pm in English. 9.30am in Tamil

New Year Mass Schedule

All bookings to be made via myCatholic.sg

31st Dec 2020 New Year's Eve - 9pm (English). 11.30pm (Tamil)

1st Jan 2021 New Year's Day - 9am (English). 10.30am (Tamil)

Please note that the number of parishioners allowed at each mass is 60.

Simbang Gabi Schedule 2020

15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23 Dec 2020 at 8pm. Booking Link:

<https://calendly.com/ololsec/simbang-gabi-2020>. Registration is open to people who have chosen OLOL as their Parish. Entry to Simbang Gabi is strictly by registration only.

SSVP Collections

The cash collected on the first Sunday of this month for the Society of St. Vincent De Paul was \$2054.00. The amount given to FINS (friends in need) for this month was \$4620.00. You may donate to Society of St. Vincent de Paul @ Lourdes by issuing a cheque in favour of **SSVP-Conference of Our Lady of Lourdes** to the church. Details for bank transfer as follows. Payee : SSVP-Conference of Our Lady of Lourdes, Bank : DBS, Account No : 011-015833-1. Thank you for your generous donation.

food for thought *John gives testimony that he is preaching & baptizing to prepare for the coming of another.*

John reports on the ministry of John the Baptist. We learn about the attention that John the Baptist received from the Jewish authorities. Messengers from the Jewish priests, the Levites and the Pharisees question John about his identity and the meaning of the baptisms that he is performing. John's Gospel uses these questions to establish the relationship between Jesus and John the Baptist. John the Baptist is not the Messiah, nor is he Elijah or the Prophet. In John's denials, we hear echoes of the kind of messianic expectations that were common in first-century Palestine.

The only affirmative response that John the Baptist gives is when he quotes the prophet Isaiah. Upon answering the next question, John announces that the saviour they seek is already among them, but as yet unrecognized. John's response highlights for us an important Advent theme: Jesus has already come into the world as our saviour. During Advent, we pray that we will be able to recognize Jesus' presence in our midst. Advent also reminds us that Jesus will come again to fulfil the promise of salvation. We pray that we will continue to be watchful as we anticipate that great day. The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete, a Latin word which means "rejoice," is taken from the entrance antiphon for Sunday's Mass. It is a reminder that Advent is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

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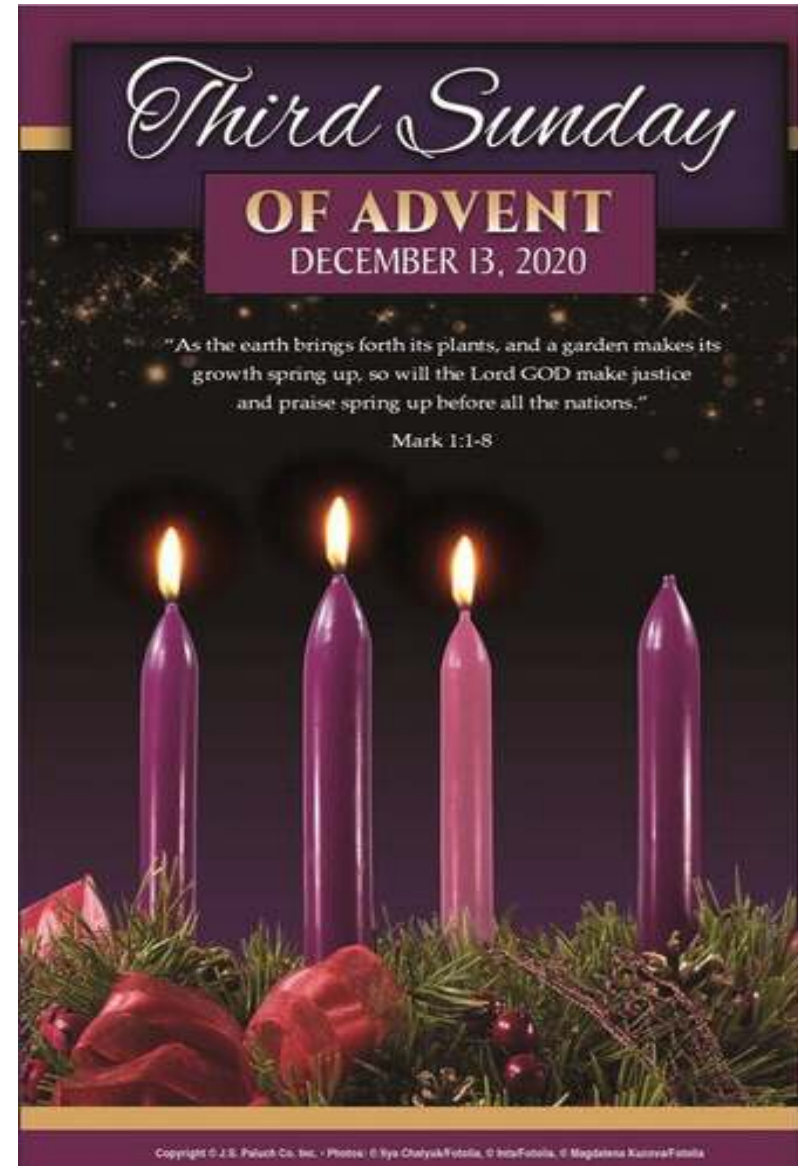
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3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Sunday Readings

First reading Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11
 Responsorial Psalm Luke 1:46-50,53-54
 Second reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
 Gospel John 1:6-8,19-28

Mass Schedule @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekdays 12:30pm (English) 7:00pm (Tamil)
 Saturday (Sunset - English) 5:00pm, 6:00pm and 7:30pm
 Sunday (English) 8:00am, 11:00am and 12.30pm
 Sunday (Tamil) 9:30am and 6:30pm
 Public Holiday 9:00am (English) 10:00am (Tamil)

Important Parish Information

Wedding Arrangements Church Wedding bookings must be made in advance. Please contact the Secretariat.

Infant Baptism Register at the Parish Office.
Please provide photocopy of church marriage certificate of parents, birth certificate of infant and confirmation certificate of Godparents.

Mass Intentions Please drop your Mass intention into the Box located outside the Parish Office **by 7pm on Friday** for the following week's intentions.

Lourdes Prayer Hall Anointing For bookings contact the Parish Office at 6294 0624
 Make an appointment with a priest before planned admission to hospital.

Holy Communion for the Homebound Register with the Parish Office.

Kindly be aware of people who profess to pray over others in the Parish Grounds, and/or in your homes for the purpose of soliciting funds without the approval of the Archdiocese and Priests of the Parish.

The restoration of Our Lady of Lourdes parish will begin soon. Cheque donations can be made in favour of 'Church of Our Lady of Lourdes' with 'Building Fund' written on the back. Please give generously!

To make a donation or contribution to Mass collection

As the parish will still need funds for the general operations and maintenance of the church, we seek your kind generosity and support to continue making a weekly donation to the Church by electronic bank transfer using PayNow at the current time.

Here is what you need to do:

- Step 1: Select bank transfer
- Step 2: Key in Parish UEN # **T08CC4026C**
- Step 3: Check Name – **Church of Our Lady of Lourdes**
- Step 4: Key in amount
- Step 5: Key in Ref - **Mass Collection/Donation**

Alternatively, you can issue a cheque and mail it to the Parish Office. If any parishioner chooses to give cash, please drop the cash in the existing donation box at the Parish.

Thank you for your generosity.

Church of Our Lady of Lourdes Online Masses

Please follow our Masses online at
 on the Church of Lourdes YouTube channel at <http://tiny.cc/ololsg>.
 Do remember to click **Subscribe** to receive notifications
 when we upload the videos.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES ACTIVITIES FOR DECEMBER

You **MUST** be registered in the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes at myCatholic.sg. You will be required to show the registration to volunteers to participate in the following activities. Please follow the volunteers' instructions and cooperate with them fully. Please ensure that your

- ◆ mobile phones are equipped with the QR code scanner (you will need it to scan for SafeEntry as well as for the pew where you are seated)
- ◆ mobile phone has a data plan.
- ◆ mask is always worn.

Please bring along your NRIC or Work Pass for verification. Temperature taking will also be administered.

PRIVATE WORSHIP

- ◆ Opening hours are on weekdays from 2pm and 5pm
- ◆ Only 5 households will be permitted per time slot. A maximum of 5 members from each household can be praying together at any one time in the Church with safe distancing measures.

Link for booking: <https://calendly.com/ololsec/private-worship-at-church-of-our-lady-of-lourdes>

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) times are on Wednesdays and Fridays from 2pm to 5pm.

Please click to register: <https://calendly.com/ololsec/confession-at-olol>

MASS

Church Mass times in November are:

Weekdays – 12.30 pm, 7pm (Tamil)

Weekends Saturday – 5pm, 6pm and 7.30pm
 Sunday – 8am, 9.30am (Tamil), 11am, 12.30pm, 6.30pm (Tamil)
 (All masses are in English unless otherwise stated)

Weekend Mass

Link for *first* mass booking of the month: <https://mycatholic.sg/login>

Link for subsequent mass booking for the month: <https://calendly.com/ololsec/mass-at-olol>

Weekday Mass

Link for all weekday mass - <https://mycatholic.sg/login>

(Please note that calendly will no longer be available for booking for weekday masses)

***Please see following page for Penitential Service, Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule ***

Thank you for your understanding.

God Bless
 Rev Fr Michael Sitaram
 Parish Priest