



Fr. Michael Sitaram,
Fr Nithiya Sagayaraj and Fr. Paul Yeo
would like to wish all parishioners a
Happy and holy Christmas
and a blessed New Year.



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

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 to 23 Dec 2020 (all 9 days including Saturday & Sunday) @ 8pm. Booking Link: <https://calendly.com/ololsec/simbang-gabi-2020>. Live Streaming: <https://www.facebook.com/Simbang-Gabi-SG-2020-117761126800608>

food for thought

The angel Gabriel visits Mary to announce the birth of Jesus.

This Sunday we read the story of the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary about the birth of Jesus. This story is found only in Luke's Gospel. On this fourth Sunday of Advent, the liturgy shifts our attention from John the Baptist to Mary, the mother of Jesus.

We are familiar with the story of the Annunciation, and it is fitting that we recall how God announced the birth of Jesus as we make our final preparations for our celebration of the Incarnation. The angel Gabriel visited Mary, a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph. Mary greeted the angel's news with awe and wonder and asked how it could be possible that she could give birth to a child. In his reply, the angel Gabriel announced the seemingly impossible reality: the child to be born would be conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and would be God's own Son. The angel reported to Mary another miracle; her relative Elizabeth was also pregnant despite having been thought to be unable to have a child. Mary's response to the angel, which is called her fiat, is an example of complete faith and obedience to God.

The story of the Annunciation calls to our attention God's wondrous action in human history. God chose a human person to give birth to his Son so that all humanity would know God's salvation. Mary, already full of God's grace, was able to cooperate in this great plan for our salvation. Thus Jesus was born as one of us, fully human and also fully divine. This is the mystery we prepare to celebrate at Christmas, the mystery of the Incarnation. In the model of Mary, we pray that we will be people of faith who recognize God's saving plan for us and are able respond with obedience.

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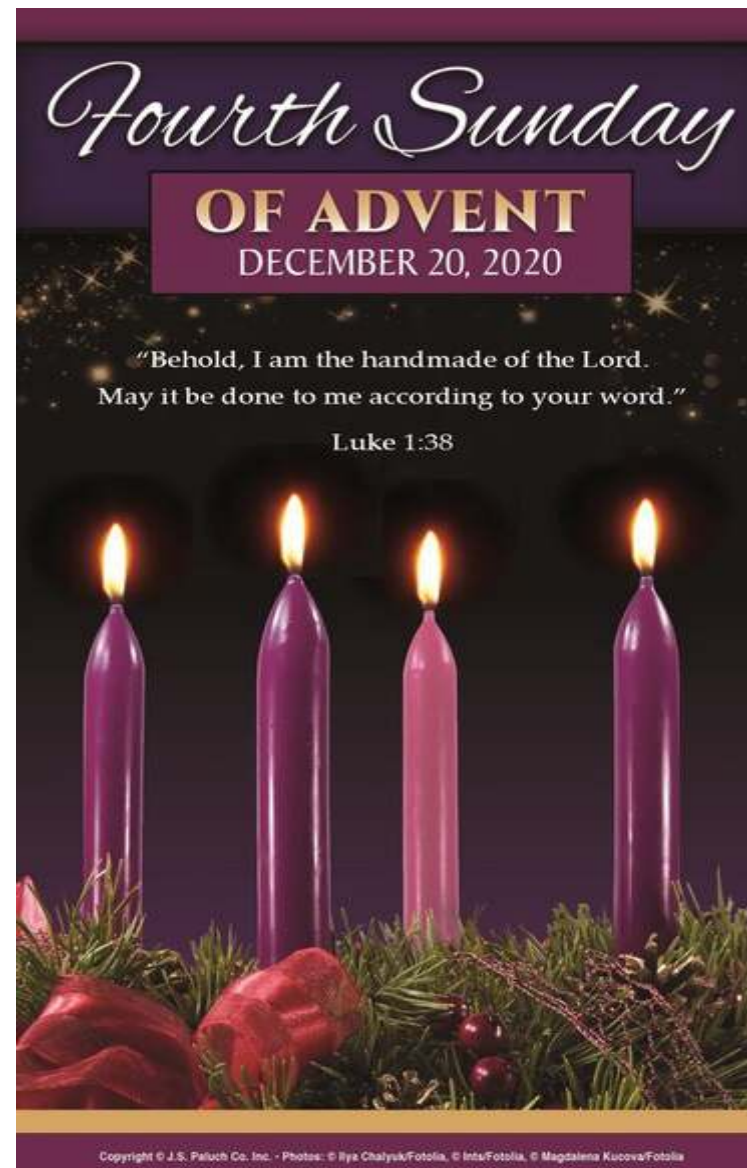
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20 DEC 2020

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Sunday Readings

First reading 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14,16
 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 88(89):2-5,27,29
 Second reading Romans 16:25-27
 Gospel Luke 1:26-38

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 Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule ***

Thank you for your understanding.

God Bless
 Rev Fr Michael Sitaram
 Parish Priest