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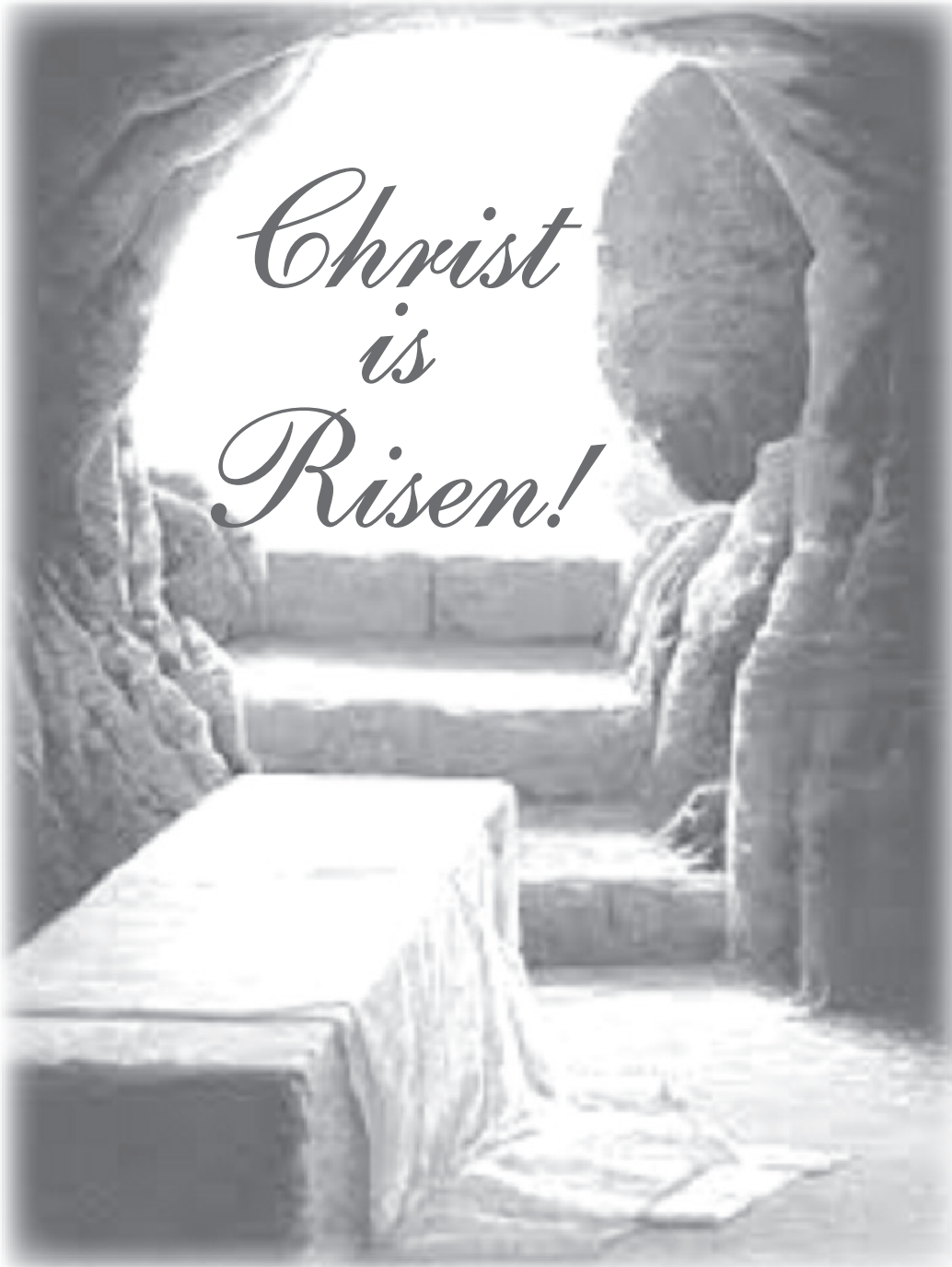
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EASTER SUNDAY



Monday, April 10 Easter Monday

8:00 Erika Bell req. by *Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi*
Nancy & Nick Di Paolo req. by *Paul Di Paul*

Tuesday, April 11

8:00 Giovanna Maulucci req. by *John Di Paul*
Bob & Pauline Vaillancourt req. by *Friends*

Wednesday, April 12

8:00 Muriel Pivarnyik req. by *Charlene Shannon*
Agnes O'Brien req. by *her Husband: Fonce*

Thursday, April 13

8:00 Louise Leyland req. by *the Holy Land Pilgrims*
Alette Svoboda req. by *the Holy Land Pilgrims*

Friday, April 14

8:00 Wanda & Mark Solomon req. by *the Family*
Annie MacKenzie req. by *Alexandra DelVecchio & Eric Whidden*

Saturday, April 15

5:00 Vincent & Ruby Crowley req. by *the Family*
Herb Ogilvie req. by *Molly Ogilvie & Family*

Sunday, April 16 Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Erika Bell req. by *Parish Staff*
Elmira, James & Danny Dick req. by *Colette & Yvette*

11:30 Anna & Palmiro Goegan req. by *Louise Goegan*
Maria Nobile req. by *her Dtr: Antonietta*

2023 Church Envelopes & 2022 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts as soon as possible. They are in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, if you are here at Mass on the weekends. Call the Office (905-354-7451) to arrange for pick up during the week. Many thanks.

Plastic Milk Bags

St. Pat's will be collecting plastic milk bags. These will be used to make 3' X 6' sleeping mats for the homeless. A church group in NOTL has many volunteers and several looms to do this project. A basket will be placed at the main entrance of the church for drop off. A sample of the mat is also on display.

CWL News... *The next meeting will be held, Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30pm in the Hall.*

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in April

Kayla Nicole Thibert & Myles Peter Methner

!!!! Clothing Drive !!!!

Over 4,300 refugees have recently arrived in Niagara Falls. One of their immediate needs is clothing. Every parish in Niagara Falls is asked to collect **new or gently used** clothing. These will be sorted and brought to St. Ann's Parish Hall (5740 Buchanan Avenue, Niagara Falls) on Thursday, April 13, 9:00am – 12:00pm, or Friday, April 14, 9:00am – 12:00pm. These will be distributed on Saturday, April 15, 8:00am – 4:00pm. Volunteers are needed at St. Ann Parish Hall on April 13 and 14 to sort and organize the clothing, and on April 15 to welcome and assist refugees. To volunteer, call OLS Parish at 905-358-7611. **Clothing can be dropped off at St. Pat's any day. You can leave them in the side porch of the rectory.** We will sort them and have them delivered to St. Ann's Church on the respective dates. "Whatever you do for my brothers and sisters, you do for me."

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Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Alette Svoboda, Eva Parisi, Louise Leyland and Chester Ross. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Sherry Wales, Karyn McEvoy, Mary F Hanlon, Tony Laslo, Leila Khan David Gallina, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Alba Rondinelli, John Pritty, Nancy Waters, Natalie Speth, Cecilia Shugg, Jeanne S, John & Laura Giampa, Christine Pritty, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Toni Brideau, Robert Morningstar, Leon French, Isabell Frost, Leroy Collee, Ron O'Neill, Elaine Pampena, Tony Cuvieello, Rita Ross, Karen Watt, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Marcellina Mativo, William JA DeFoe, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Judy, D.D., Estelle Critelli, Betty Crete, Bernadette Moore, Andrea Fisher, Sister Prem, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Joe Young, Maureen Tustin, Jeannette Fabian, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Edward Brzozowski, Lori Ann Pizzolato, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Tom Hilton, Carmine Astorino, Bob Marshall, Arlene Collee, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Nancy Weiss, Anna Hunt, Brian Smith, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Danielle Barranca, Kerrie Szuch, Norma Zanus, John Nicks, Pasquale Abrunzo, Samuel Potapczyk, John Calder, Todd Reid, Anna Chayer, Patricia Williams, Nancy Praakel, Jeanne Lea, Nancy Huber, Rebecca Evans, Denise Colalillo, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Baby Victoria, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Donna Bradley, Elizabeth Stachura, Francesco Albanese, Michelle Price, Vito Fuccillo, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, Gloria Smelko, Conner Hawkswell, Jackie, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Jozefa Bilski, Mary Jo O'Kell, Robert & Maria Melchiorre, Mary Brennan, Faith Amadio, Cheryl Granton, Alessia Comisso, Trina Washington, Maria Guerin, Jadwiga Wozniak, John O'Leary, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Pepper Martin Jr, Cheryl D'Amazio *Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.*

Collections

April 2: \$7,824.00

Giving Bowl: \$9,976.80 (to date)

Turkey/Syria: \$1,670.00 (to date)

Development & Peace/Share Lent: \$1,882.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Date 2023

First Communion: Sunday, May 7, 2023 @ 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM

Baptism Schedule for 2023

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday May 21 & June 25.** A mandatory meeting for **Parents and Godparents** will be held in the Church on Tuesday, **May 9 & June 13** at 7:00 pm.

Sacrament of Baptism... Congratulations on the birth of your child! If you wish to have your child baptized, please register in the parish (if you haven't already done so). One of the parents must come into the parish office, meet with the pastor or his designate, so we can complete the proper forms, and gather the necessary information. We encourage parents and Godparents to make an effort to attend liturgies in the parish community. We also have a mandatory evening of preparation for parents and Godparents!

!!!! Student Weekend Employment !!!!

St. Patrick Church is looking to hire a student (**Grade X and up**) to work on Saturdays (10:00 AM - 4:00 PM). Duties may include cleaning floors, leaf raking, doing garbage sweeps, clearing snow, opening and closing gates and doors for functions. If interested, please call the parish office or drop off a resume as soon as possible. This could also lead to summer employment with flexible hours!

Thank You

Special thanks to **John and Dina Iacobaccio and family** for donating our new Easter Candle.

Check out our website: <http://www.stpatricknf.ca>
and watch Mass on our Facebook page



Dear Friends,



It is so good to sing *Alleluia* again! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!!! Remember what Pope St. John Paul II said, "*We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song.*" On behalf of the parish, I wish all of you a very *Happy and Blessed Easter!* Today is the most joyful part of our faith. Christ is Risen from the dead!

Alleluia! We can't help but feel uplifted, hopeful and joyful! And then when we look outside at Mother Nature, we see new life bursting forth after the sleep of winter!

The feeling on Easter Sunday is so much different from Good Friday! But Good Friday was necessary... because by dying, by embracing what humans saw as weakness, Jesus unleashed the greatest power the world has ever seen, the power of sacrificial love, the power of the Cross. Now he has defeated the Cross... and the Grave! Alleluia! Peter, James, John... and Mary bend down and peer into the empty tomb! Then they run excitedly to spread the Good News!

This is also a day to ask, *What is holding me back from resurrection-living? In what way is Easter calling me to a new life... calling me to change?* Good Friday showed us a tremendous sacrifice from a loving God! The world did the worst thing possible to Jesus. **Now we have a chance to do the best thing possible for Him...** live a life filled with his Resurrected Presence! How will I tend and care for the faith which I have been given? How will I show the presence of Christ Jesus alive in me? May the Risen Christ lift us from all loneliness, weakness and despair... to strength, beauty and happiness. **Christ is risen!** May he help us rise from all our tombs and break all our chains! Alleluia! Happy Easter!

Fr. Gerard



Easter is the feast of tombstones taken away, rocks rolled aside. God takes away even the hardest stones against which our hopes and expectations crash: death, sin, fear, worldliness. *Pope Francis*

The resurrection gives my life meaning and direction and the opportunity to start over no matter what my circumstances.

Earth's saddest day and gladdest day were just three days apart.



Congratulations and WELCOME to those celebrating Sacraments in our parish this Easter Vigil! We keep them in prayer- **Michael, Clark and Kyle!** May the Risen Christ set you on fire for the Gospel!



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps!
"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

Easter Flowers



If you would like to donate toward the Easter Flowers in memory of your deceased loved ones, envelopes are available at the doors of the church! Please submit them by Easter Sunday. May they rest in peace.

Happy Easter in your native tongue!

Happy Easter! Joyeuses Pâques; Buona Pasqua; Fish sa'id عيد فصح سعيد; El Maseeh Qam; Prospera Pascha sit; Felices Pascuas; Pasg Hapus; Wesolych swiat; Chuc Mung Phuc Sinh; A Chaisg sona; eyd fash saeid; Geseende Paasfees; Gezuar Pashket; Kuhreestos harryav ee merrelotz; Ondo izan Bazko garaian; Subh iistar; Maogmang Pagkabuhay na Liwat ni Kristo; Si Kristo ay nabuhay; Pask Seder; Felices Pasques; Felis Pasqua; Fu huo jie kuai le; Pask Lowen; Kristus aq ungewektaq; Sretan Uskrs; Vesele Velikonoce; Glædelig Paske; Gelukkig Paasfest; Vrolijk Pasen; Felican Paskon; Glethilig paskir; Hyvaa Paasiaista; Buine Pasche; Frohe Ostern; Schoni Oschtere; Boas Pascuas; Kalo Pascha; E olelo malie; Boldog Husveti Unnepeket; Kellemes Husveti Unnepeket; Chag pesach same'ach; Subh Istar; Glethilega paska; Selamat Paskah; Caisc Shona Dhuit; Linksmu Velyku; Pricigias Lieldienas; Schein Ouschteren; L-Ghid it-tajjeb; Caisht sonney dhyt; Subh istar; God paske; Bonas Pascas; Eide pak mobarak; Boa Pascoa; Istar khusiaanvala hove; Schtsjastlivyje Paschi; Paste Fericit; Hristos a inviat; Hristos voskrese; Glad Pask; Milostiplne prezitie Velkonocnych sviatkov; Vesele velikonocne praznike; Mutlo (eller Hos) Paskalya; Maligayang pasko ng pagkabuhay; Lek me echan ti ta kuxul orae; Lesustanazali yofik; E ku Ayo Ajinde; A fraylekh Pesah; IPhasika elijabulayo.

Prayer for Easter Dinner

With great joy we come to our Easter dinner. Thank You God for gathering our family together today to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus and the precious gift he gave to us on the Cross. We thank you for this meal. Please bless the hands that prepared it, bless our family, bless our home, and help all those who hunger for food this day! Amen

With my sister Karen, I wish to express our appreciation for the messages of condolence and Mass intentions for our mother Erika Bell. We are grateful to those who attended the memorial Mass and particular thanks to Carol, Sandra, and the choir, the Carmelite community, and Deacon David in making this service a grace-filled occasion.

Easter Chuckles

- "If you see a rabbit laying little brown eggs, don't eat them. It's not chocolate!"
 - "Golf is just the adult version of an Easter Egg Hunt."
 - "Easter egg hunts are proof your child can find things when they really want to."

Parish Registration

Please help keep our records up to date! You may bring this form to the parish office or place it in the collection.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Postal Code:** _____

Telephone: _____

I am new in the parish and wish to register _____

I wish to use contribution envelopes _____

I have recently moved _____

I have changed my phone number _____

We have married & wish to update our information _____

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