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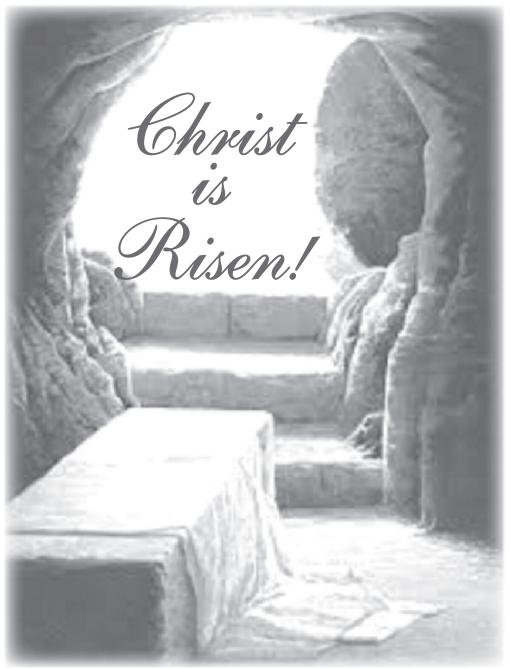
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The Risen Jesus – Alleluia!

This Sunday is Easter Sunday when we celebrate Christ's resurrection from the dead. The Church proclaims through the Exultet (Easter proclamation) that on this day, Jesus Christ broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave. Easter is thus the most important celebration in the Church's liturgical year as it celebrates Christ's triumph over sin and death. The Church is built on the foundation of the resurrection of Jesus.

Saint Augustine said the resurrection of Jesus is our hope. Christ rose from death to tell us that after all the sufferings we have endured and the pains that have been inflicted upon us, like Him, we will triumph over these things if we only put our trust in God. He lived a life of obedience to the Father and was faithful to the mission given to Him. If we look at the Risen Christ, we have reason to hope.

On Easter, everything was made new. It is a newness that changed the lives of those who accept it. Saint Paul, referring to his meeting with the Risen Jesus on his way to Damascus, said: *"If anyone is in Christ, He is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come"* (2 Cor 5:17). Paul thus became a zealous apostle who was never ashamed to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

This "new life" experience may also happen to each one of us if we are willing to be conquered by the Risen Christ. The Easter celebration is a celebration of hope. We may all enjoy the benefits of Christ's resurrection if we are open to God's grace. Let us allow ourselves to be touched by the grace of Jesus who was raised from death. With Mary, the Mother of the Redeemer, our hearts cry out with joy: **Alleluia!**

On behalf of the priests (Fr. Martin SCJ and Fr. Antonio SCJ), myself and the staff, I would like to say: May God's love and power fill your heart with joy today and forever. May the Risen Jesus bless us all. Happy Easter!

Mass Intentions for April 20 – 27, 2019 Saturday Holy Saturday No Mass Intentions Intentions of Michael & Easter 8:30 a.m. Sunday Lalaine Cukjati +John and Lily Finney, 10:00 a.m. requested by R. Hassan Intentions of the parish 11:30 a.m. community 8:00 p.m. No Mass +Epifania Macatumbas, Monday 9:00 a.m. requested by R. Enrera Tuesday 7:30 a.m. +Clyde and Ruby Field, requested by the Kovacs family +Souls in purgatory, 7:00 p.m. requested by M. Palumbo Wednesday 7:30 a.m. +Cecil Correia, requested by the family 7:00 p.m. +Leon L. Solis, requested by the family Intentions of Francie Thursday 7:30 a.m. Maroosis 7:00 p.m. In thanksgiving, Munish Sharma +Agostinho Teixeira, requested by the family +Miguel S. Joven, requested by the family +Percival & Marjorie Henry and Iola, William. Bernard & Winston Josiah and Melissa Hutchinson, requested by the family +Barry Forbes, requested by the James family +Anne Marie Gougeon, Friday 7:30 a.m. requested by the West family +Olympia Monfero, 7:00 p.m. requested by N. De Juan 9:00 a.m. +Maureen Strachan Saturday and Francis &

Hermengilda Cuffie,

requested by the family



you can work wonders!

Living the Gospel through immediate mental health services

Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' need without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically significant increase in confidence that they can tackle their problems. For some agencies, ShareLife is the sole funder of this important program. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

May 5 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Movie Night

Saturday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m.



The Youth Group is inviting all parishioners to a Movie Night – a fundraising event – on Sat., May 11 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 per person. Snacks will be available to purchase so bring lots

of spare change! The program includes an introduction followed by the movie. Please help to support the youth as they prepare for the annual youth conference this summer. For more information, please contact Silvio at silvio.escobar@live.com.

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Neeve Khakpour Lee Cummings, Audrey Caulfield, Denise Simone, Hanna Hadden, Catalino Bicos, Candida Garcia, Albert Vella, Phyllis and Antonio

Cogliano. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Sacramental Ministry			
Date	Time	Event	
Wed., Apr. 24	7:30 p.m.	First Confession	
Fri., Apr. 26	12:30 p.m.	St. T. M. School Mass	
Mon., Apr. 29	10:30 a.m.	St. E. C. School Mass	

Holy Week Schedule for 2019

Easter Monday – April 22 Mass: 9:00 a.m. (only)

Is God Calling You?



The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers

and sisters. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris, at 416-968-0997 or at <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>.

Broken Kneelers

Our Maintenance Committee members have recently repaired many broken kneelers. Please take care not to be rough with them to prevent further damage.

Valentine's Dinner and Dance

The Valentine's Dinner and Dance was a huge success! We wish to thank each person who helped in any way with this fundraiser including the Volunteers' Group. Our gratitude also goes to the following persons who made this event the success that it was:

- Anita and Percy D'Mello (Gate Real Estate Inc.)
- Fabian's Cafe
- Hy and Vinnette Francis
- Nandita Haldipur
- Christine and Angelo Fernandes
- Raymond Wong (Sun Life Financial)
- Nelson and Anita D'Souza
- Helen Ho
- Claudine Goller
- Mary David
- Chuchi Punsalan
- Esther Prajogi
- Mary and Martin James
- Robin and Tina Lopes

St. Barnabas Summer Camp

Kingdom Camp is a fun and faith-filled experience for children who are in grades 1 to 8. The program includes field trips, drama, sports, science, arts and crafts as well as daily Mass and catechesis. For more information, please call 416-298-0989.

