



# EASTER SUNDAY

# The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

At the Easter Vigil, the deacon sings the great hymn of light, the "Exsultet." He calls on the heavenly powers, the earth, and the church to rejoice and exult (hence the name for the hymn) because Christ has conquered death and vanquished darkness forever. This is a song of faith! We believe that the risen Christ is more powerful than evil, greater than sin, and stronger even than death itself-that ancient enemy to which we all fall victim.

In renewing our baptismal commitment this Sunday, we profess our own belief in the communion of saints and the resurrection of the body. All of us who are baptized-those in the past, and those living today-are united beyond death by the power of the risen Lord. By uniting ourselves to him in baptism, we are already sharing in his risen life. His Spirit, "dwelling within us, gives us on earth the hope of unending joy" (Preface 34).

The rebirth of the natural world each spring puts our faith in context. God continually renews creation, bringing to birth that which seemed dead and lifeless. And God does the same for us. Even though sin may have taken hold of our lives, through Christ we are renewed and saved from our sinful past. Through repentance and conversion we are brought to new life, rejoicing again in our baptismal innocence. And, through our faith in Christ, we are saved from that final death that comes at the end. We believe that Jesus will raise up our mortal bodies to be like his own in glory. Just as that which seems to be dead comes back to life in the spring, so too, do we believe that those who have gone before us will also rise to share in the fullness of life in Christ. This is the day in which God has won the victory, and his people rejoice and are glad!

### EASTER WISH TO ALL

We wish all of you *Easter eyes* able to see life in death, forgiveness in guilt and shame, communion in separation, wholeness in fragmentation, new creation in chaos, potential and possibility in wounds, God in the human, the human in God and in the I, the You. Have a gentle and Blessed Easter Season!

## Fr. Michel and Staff

# Mass for the Intentions Week

<u>Monday April 9 – EASTER MONDAY</u> 9:30 a.m. +Giles Verkuyl req. Therese Verkuyl

<u>Tuesday April 10</u> 12:00 +Fred Scholes req. Betty Scholes

<u>Wednesday April 11</u> 7:00 p.m. + Zbignew Konarski req. Eva Konarski & Family

<u>Thursday April 12</u> 8:00 a.m. +Laura Deligio req. Bavaro Family

<u>Friday April 13</u> 7:00 p.m. +Giuseppe Rubino req. Bavaro Family

Saturday April 14

9:30 a.m. +Benigna & Albert Bastiampillai req. Milani & Angelo Family 5:00 p.m. +Martin & Beryl D'Souza req. D'Souza Family

#### <u>Sunday April 15</u>

9:00 a.m +Marc Santi req. Santi Family 10:45 a.m. Missa Pro Populo 12:30 p.m +Shameran Bottany req. Sabah Nasrishorize

#### **OFFICE CLOSED EASTER MONDAY**

#### FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

You might be interested in learning that last Sunday's collection was (\$7,137.00) from envelopes,(\$841.00) non-envelope users and (\$850.00) from our PAG.

#### WE REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Rosaline Palombo, Clara Soares, Martin Diaz, Joseph Georgie, Rui Da Gama, Ryan Chism and Roman Szewczyk, Settimo Danesi, Lisa Anne Williams, Jerry Zentil, Luigi DiRezze, Maria Tuzi, Scott McNair, Lenora Kimmie Jones, Keith Tannahill and Theo Hiel.

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Rachel Mendoza, Elena Iacobelli, Eugene Desa, Manuel Rodrigues, Jenny Go, Ki-Pong Louie Lee, Fred Witjes, Candice Worell, Yore-Moi Lee, Kathy Lalonde, Lily Da Gama, Dave Gilman, Antonio D'Agostino, Jack Fraumeni, Ernest Aboud, Keira Weldon, Bill Yang, Arlene Azarcon, Francis Small, Linda Cseh, Antonio Ermilio, Joanna Ibanez, Jean Ciszkowski and Antonio Consetti

#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Our Lady Queen of the World is pleased to offer the <u>Liturgy of</u> the Word for the Children on Saturdays at the 5:00 pm and on Sundays at 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Masses for the J.K/S.K, Grades 1 to 4 children in our parish.

#### LEARN TO KNIT IN 2012! (for ages 8 to 80)

The Learn to Knit Ministry <u>will not meet on April 28</u>. Join us any other Saturday from 11:15a.m. to 12:15p.m. in the parish offices. Come and learn, share a skill, work on a project or just enjoy a morning of fellowship.

#### **EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP**

You are invited to an evening of Fellowship every <u>Thursday at</u> Jean Vanier High School, Room 106, from 7:00 to 8:45 p.m. with WARM-UP EXERCISES TAI-CHI, LINE DANCING and exciting activities.

#### **BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MINISTRY**

Come and join as we travel back to the beginning of the Bible – Little Rock Scripture Study on the <u>BOOK OF GENESIS</u>. This is an 11 Lesson Study which will be held <u>every Tuesday from</u> **7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. at Jean Vanier Catholic High School**, <u>Room 106</u>. Bible Study on Genesis Lesson 2 will resume on April 10.



# Share...Life! EASTER SUNDAY April 8, 2012 WORKING WONDERS IN OUR LIVELIHOODS

"The services provided by ShareLife agencies are critical to those who rely on them – they are lifesaving and life-restoring. Families are working through crises and are healing. People with developmental challenges are supported as they experience a sense of self-worth and fulfillment in their daily activities. Refugees and new Canadians are guided toward a stable, productive livelihood in their newfound home. Seniors are living independently, with access to the care and services they need. Sometimes the results are obvious and sometimes they're invisible but, always, they're tangible. " – *Cardinal Thomas C. Collins, Archbishop of Toronto* 

2nd ShareLife collection – April 29, 2012

Please give generously. You can work WONDERS!

### MILK BAGS MATS FOR HAITI

**PLEASE BRING YOUR MILK BAGS** and put them in the bin at the back of the church. This is our way of being in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Haiti. For more information, please call Sr. Nida at 905-884-7006.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL POOR BOX

Please remember to make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul poor box located at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Please join us on our next meeting: <u>Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at</u> <u>10:00 a.m. in the Parish office.</u> Please call Fran Hammond for more information at 905-508-9699 or the parish at 905-884-7006.

#### COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Our parish will have the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the Church.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with those who are seriously ill, those who are preparing for surgery, and the elderly. This sacrament of healing is meant to heal the whole person, spiritually and physically while at the same time reassuring the person of God's love and mercy. The preferred place for celebrating this sacrament is in the church with family and members of the church community present. Celebrating the sacrament before entering the hospital means the ill person can better appreciate the prayers and symbols of the rite. (Archdiocese of Toronto website)



We Celebrate New Life!

We celebrate new life at the Easter Vigil with the initiation and reception of new members into the Church. After several months of preparations, the elect in our RCA process celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. The candidates (those already baptised), who prepared with our elect, are fully received into the Church with the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

We welcome and congratulate our newest members:

### Vincent Liu, Lisa Pan, Xavier Shin, Martin You, Michael Ying, Vivien Kim and Sarah Simone

We thank our dedicated RCIA team who has journeyed alongside these new members for many months. In sharing their love, faith and guidance, they are true witnesses of the living Gospel message for all of us. Thank you!

#### **CONFIRMATION RETREAT**

Just a reminder for Confirmation candidates will meet on Saturday April 14, at 9:15 a.m. at the Church parking lot.

#### FOOD DRIVE

Please remember to bring non-perishable food items and toiletries for the Richmond Hill Food Bank. Thank you for your generosity.

