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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia



Beloved Parishioners, Family Members and Visitors!

Thank You to those who helped us make this Holy Week and Easter a special time in our lives. Let me take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a Most Blessed and Joyous Easter. We have experienced a beautiful Holy Week, walking in the footsteps of Jesus and growing in our faith, to arrive at this Glorious Easter Day. Alleluia!

Let's remember the words of Saint Paul: if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved (Romans 10:9).

Let's proclaim His Resurrection by our words and deeds!

May God's Blessings be Yours This Easter!

In Christ,
Fr. Pawel

By the time Peter arrived there was enough light for him to see, from inside the open tomb, the burial cloths, and the head cloth, rolled up in a separate place.

But keep reading. In the verses immediately following today's passage, in the full Easter light, Mary Magdalene, weeping outside the tomb, saw two angels, and the Gardener, whom she soon realized was Jesus himself. A stone rolled away. Burial cloths. The head covering. Two angels. A Gardener. Jesus.

Break forth, oh beautiful, heavenly Light. And the darkness shall never overcome You.

What truths about Jesus do you see more clearly today than in years past?

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THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Apr 18 - 23	Solemnity	Easter Octave
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READINGS THIS WEEK

17 Acts 10.34a, 37-43: Colossians 3.1-4 **or** 1 Corinthians 5.6b-8: John 20.1-18+ +

18 Acts 2.14, 22-33: Matthew 28.8-15

19 Acts 2.36-41: John 20.11-18

20 Acts 3.1-10: Luke 24.13-35

21 Acts 3.11-26: Luke 24.35-48

22 Acts 4.1-12: John 21.1-14

23 Acts 4.13-21: Mark 16.9-15

THANK YOU

to Deacon Joe, the Musicians and Choir, Sacristans, Altar Servers, volunteers, Ushers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, those who helped cover the statues, those involved with the Stations of the Cross, those who cleaned the Church and those who donated flowers. Thank you to Pat, Steve and the Knights of Columbus for directing traffic on Palm Sunday and Easter. For all those who were involved with Holy Week and Easter celebrations, Thank you! We are grateful and blessed to have such wonderful kind-hearted parishioners.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Easter Monday, April 18.

THE CWL RELIGIOUS STORE

will be open following all Masses next weekend. Many new items commemorating Divine Mercy are available, as well as gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING

will be held in person on **Monday, April 18**, beginning with the Holy Rosary at 7 pm in the Church Hall. Masks are recommended and we look forward to welcoming all Members and Ladies interested in becoming a member.

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord

It's so interesting to be up early in the morning and see the difference that light makes in a dark sky. At first it's not so certain that the dim light coming up will actually overcome the darkness. This might be the first day in the history of the world---that dreaded day---when dawn will never break, and the sun will never appear on the horizon. But, in the next breath, violets and pinks and blues splash across the skies, the heralds of the moment when light will overtake the darkness once again.

When Mary Magdalene went to the tomb that Easter morning it was so dark that all she saw was the stone removed from the tomb. She raced back to tell the others. By the time Peter and the other disciple got to the tomb, more light was in the sky.

We know this because the faster runner, the "disciple Jesus loved," got there first, bent down, and looked into the tomb, and saw the burial cloths. Mary would not have seen them inside the tomb because she arrived "while it was still dark."



FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Pray on your own the Divine Mercy Novena which begins on **Good Friday, April 15** in preparation for Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24.

Please join us **Sunday, April 24 at 3:00 pm** for Divine Mercy devotion with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of the relic of St. Faustina.



**Easter Sunday
Resurrection of the Lord
April 17, 2022**

ShareLife Helps During Pandemic

"Many aspects of pre-Covid life are returning, such as the gradual reopening of our parishes. But we must remember that, for many people, their suffering continues. ShareLife-funded agencies have been helping thousands of people since the pandemic began. They quickly adapted their programs in light of safety and the changing needs of the people they serve." – Cardinal Thomas Collins

**May 1 is ShareLife Sunday.
Thank you for supporting ShareLife!**

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FOR UKRAINE

Donations to help Ukrainians who are suffering due to this war would be most appreciated. The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations to support the Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). CNEWA is a papal agency with a long history of humanitarian relief; it is currently working in Eastern Europe, providing Ukrainians with food, shelter, medicine and transportation to safe locations. ORAT is Canada's largest private Sponsorship Agreement Holder, which helps bring hundreds of newcomers to our country each year; it will use donations to bring Ukrainian refugees to Canada as soon as possible. Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: St. Mary Immaculate – Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian Relief.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Online Bereavement Introductory Program

Wednesday, April 13 - May 4 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program

Thursday, April 14 - May 5 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Available to offer for loved ones for a one week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

APR 18 - 24: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:

Spec. Int for Keith Milne

&

Spec. Int for Leagh & Diane Milne

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 905-884-1784 or email at stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Catarina Clyke, Clara Pacitti, Jeanine Bahoshy, Rita, Enzina, Monica, Giovanni & Genovassa Riscardi, Maria Simoes

MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 18 – APRIL 24

Mon. Apr 18	8:00 am	+Helena Domagala
Tues. Apr 19	8:00 am	+Filippo Romano
Wed. Apr 20	8:00 am	+Wolfgang Saul
Thurs. Apr 21	8:00 am	+Mario & +Elsa Rodriguez
Fri. Apr 22	8:00 am	Spec. Int. for Katarina, Charleigh & Eric Kociuk
	7:00 pm	+Lorenzo Gabriel Dante Gibellini +Jaime Moreau
Sat. Apr 23	8:30 am	+Maria Jose De Melo
	5:00 pm	+Michael O'Herlihy
Sun. Apr 24	8:00 am	+Victoria Diaz Fojas
	9:30 am	+Louis Gregoris +Gioacchino Adamo +Donato Ciuffetta +Paul Joseph Ricciardi +Antonio Tripodi & Family +Eriero Pelino & Family +Benedetto Baccillieri Spec. Int. for the Catenaro Family
	11:00 am	+Tiberio Simoes & +Alexandrina Medieras +Michaelangelo Montano +Antonio & Sacco Family
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	4:30 pm	+Felice Petrucci

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