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**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter ~ 30 April 2017**

*That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. These were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. Luke 24:33-35*

**First Reading + Acts 2:14, 22b-28**  
**Second Reading + 1 Peter 1:17-21**  
**Gospel + Luke 24:13-35**

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, May 1**

NO MASS SCHEDULED

**Tuesday, May 2**

**8:00am – 8:00p.m. 12 Hours Of Pray For Life**

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm+ CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Richard CRONIN, RIP – M Cronin

**Wednesday, May 3**

8:00am+Christopher/Yvonne HYLAND, Pers. Int. – S Hands

**Thursday, May 4**

8:00am+Steve Da SILVA, RIP - J/B Da Silva

10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

**Friday, May 5**

12:10pm+Helen THIBERT, RIP – P/C Morrison

**Saturday, May 6**

*(Daily mass at Immaculate Conception)*

9:00am+Martha SUMMERS, RIP – J/R Farrugia

5:00pm+Joe & Ted HEYDON, RIP – M Heydon

**Sunday, May 7**

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Ivor/Clara GOMES, 50<sup>th</sup> Ann – Antao Family

1:30pm+CONFIRMATION – St. Paul's School

4:30pm+CONFIRMATION – Holy Family School

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:**

*"Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life."*

The March for Life is taking place on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. I am planning to be there. In preparation for this event, this coming Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be having 12 Hours of Prayer for Life.

As Christians, we must be 100% pro-life. Every Sunday we profess that the eternal Son of God "was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man." Jesus was fully human at the moment of his conception. All human life begins at conception — this is not only a dogma of the faith, it is also a basic biological fact. When the chromosomes of the mother and the father join together to make up the DNA of their child, a new independent human life has begun. From that first moment of conception, the body of the child continuously develops, but there is no point where this child *becomes* human — he is fully human from the very first moment of his conception.

To deny the humanity of the child in the womb is to deny the Christian faith. It means denying not only the Incarnation of Jesus, but also the Immaculate Conception of his blessed mother, and the sanctification of St. John the Baptist in the womb of his mother Elizabeth; all truths that we firmly hold as Christians.

Pope John Paul II, said: "Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from its conception and do not be deterred from the commitment to defend the dignity of every human person with courageous determination. Christ is with you: BE NOT AFRAID!"

In his encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae* (The Gospel of Life), Pope John Paul wrote about building a culture of life even in the midst of our present culture of death:

In a special way, believers in Christ must defend and promote the right to life, aware as they are of the wonderful truth recalled by the Second Vatican Council: "By his incarnation the Son of God has united himself in some fashion with every human being." This saving event reveals to humanity not only the boundless love of God who "so loved the world that he gave his only Son," but also the incomparable value of every human person.

The end result of the culture of death is tragic: not only is the fact of the destruction of so many human lives still to be born or in their final stage extremely grave and disturbing, but no less grave and disturbing is the fact that conscience itself, darkened as it were by such widespread conditioning, is finding it increasingly difficult to distinguish between good and evil in what concerns the basic value of human life.

To all the members of the Church, the people of life and for life, I make this most urgent appeal, that together we may offer this world of ours new signs of hope, and work to ensure that justice and solidarity will increase and that a new culture of human life will be affirmed, for the building of an authentic civilization of truth and love.

**Saint of the Week:**

Pray that neither self-indulgence nor pride, nor any other evil passion, prevent me from seeing in my patients Jesus who suffers, and from healing and comforting Him.

– St. Riccardo Pampuri (1897-1930), Brother Hospitaller of St. John, Feast Day May 1

**12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR LIFE!**  
**MAY 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8am to 8pm**  
**At St. Paul's Church**  
**Closing with Holy Hour at 6pm**  
**Mass at 7pm**

Celebrate life! Join us at any time during our 12-hour vigil of prayer with our students and community for the sanctity of all human life from the moment of conception until death.



[www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org)

Living the Gospel by helping families in crisis ...

Having experienced childhood sexual abuse, Tom originally sought counseling treatment for resulting depression at a local clinic. Since Tom had experienced the death of his wife, his increased drinking, drug addiction, suicidal thoughts, depression and financial loss had placed an immense strain on his relationship with his mother and two sons. Through the 12step program and other counselling at Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County, Tom has experienced a tremendous peace and healing in his family relationships. "Giving hope and saving lives is what this is all about," shares Tom, "I am very grateful to ShareLife for the funding they provide to Catholic Family Services of Simcoe." Over 21,000 individuals received help in getting their lives back on track through ShareLife-supported Family Services Programs.

**PARISH GOAL \$50,000 ~ Balance to-date \$ 26,008.90**

**This is a great start for our parish campaign!!**

**2<sup>nd</sup> of 3 collections ~ Next Sunday – May 7, 2017**

**Please give generously.**

**HOME ENTHRONEMENTS**  
**CONSECRATE YOUR FAMILY NOW**

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(The Child Jesus to Sr. Lucia, December 10, 1925)

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**Saturday, May 6th @ 6:30pm**

**Home made Pierogi Dinner**  
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**Catholic Education Week, April 30 – May 5, 2017**

**"Walking Forward Together"**

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For more information about Catholic Education Week visit [www.goodnewsforall.ca](http://www.goodnewsforall.ca)



**Archdiocesan Day of Prayer –**  
**Friday, May 12, 2017**

On this day, Cardinal Collins has asked that we all take the time, as a community, to pray for all vocations; priesthood, religious and consecrated life. During this time, we also ask that you pray for our five soon-to-be priests along with all those who are discerning or who are currently in formation. Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

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