

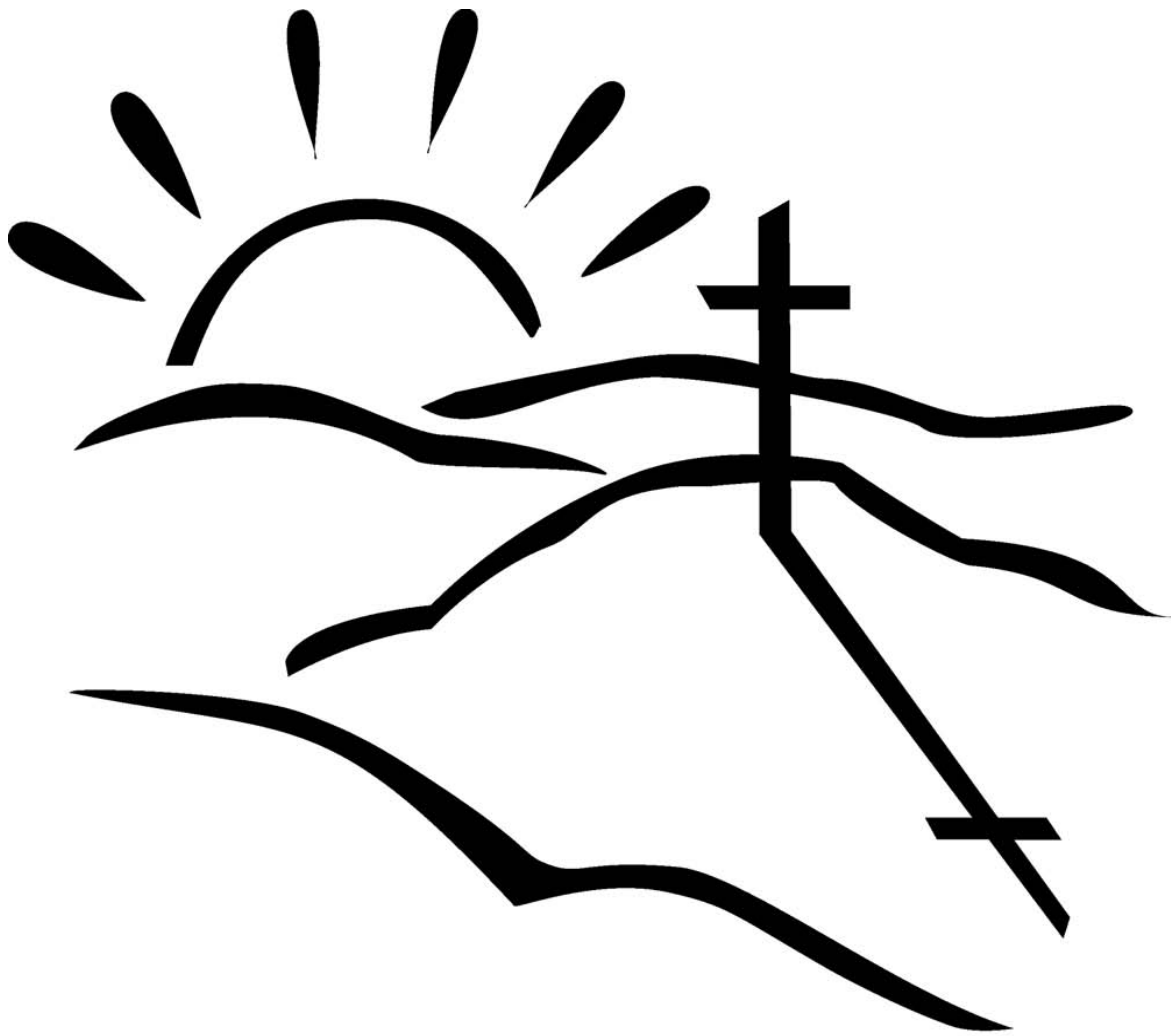
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*Rejoice!
For the Lord is truly risen!*

EASTER SUNDAY



The Resurrection of the Lord ~ 5 April 2015

He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

— Jn 20:5-7

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

First Reading + Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Second Reading + Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel + John 20:1-18

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 6

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, April 7

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+**HOLY HOUR**

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Giusseppe DESANTO, RIP – B Renshaw

Wednesday, April 8

8:00am+Muriel DRUMM, RIP – P/E Crotty

Thursday, April 9

8:00am+Ruth KING, RIP – P Devereaus

Friday, April 10

12:10pm+Joan DENNIS, RIP – E Durkan

Saturday, April 11

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Maria MARTINS, RIP – M Mota

5:00pm+Brian DURKAN, RIP – J/F Gallant

Sunday, April 12 – SHARELIFE #2

9:00am+Doreen Gibson-BRADAZON, RIP – J/R Wallace

10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Christos Anesti! Christ is Risen!

For our neighbors and their children, and sadly for many of our own children, Easter is not about the death and resurrection of Christ, but about bunnies and chocolate.

Yes, Virginia, there is an Easter Bunny!

You would think that our secular society would simply ignore Easter, but we are also a *consumer* society. How can we pass up an opportunity to make a sale? To continue to make the cash registers ring? We need to find a way to market Easter that has nothing to do with God.

So we have hot-cross buns without the Cross. We have the indulgence of chocolate without the austerity of Lent. We have eggs without recalling that the chick emerging from the shell is an image of Christ emerging from the tomb. After a long winter, we have our spring flowers without connection to the new life of the resurrection.

The only surprising thing is that we haven't replaced the word "Easter" with something innocuously unreligious like "spring holiday." But for most people the word Easter has already lost any religious connotation.

I suppose it was inevitable: just as the early Christians would "baptize" pagan festivals by turning them into celebrations of Christ or the Saints, so our secular society has "unbaptized" our Christian festivals to remove any connection to Christ. Our pre-eminent Christian holy day is reduced to an Easter-egg hunt.

Yet, truly, Easter is the climax of the greatest story ever told. Raised up on a cross, Christ submits willingly to death, but death has no power to hold him. Rising triumphant from the grave, Christ breaks the power of death forever.

Jesus said to Martha of Bethany: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live. And whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She replied: "Yes, Lord. I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God."

One day I will die. The day and hour are known to God. Death will have me in its cold hard grip. But death will not be able to hold me. My soul will rise; not by its own power, but by the power of him who died for me.

Death, where is your victory? Death where is your sting? But thanks be to God, who has given us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ, Alleluia.

The greatest of all misfortunes is never to have known Jesus Christ. If we believe in Christ, then we are alive in Christ. If we are alive in Christ, we are truly alive.

Easter is the celebration of the victory life over death. "By his great mercy, God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I say, Rejoice. What greater cause for rejoicing can there be? What greater cause for celebration?

Christos anesti! — Christ is risen!

Alithos anesti! — He is truly risen!

Saint of the Week:

Preach by example, and practice before the eyes of the young what you wish them to accept.

- *Saint Jean-Baptiste de La Salle (1651-1719), Founder - Brothers of the Christian Schools, Feast Day April 7*

Notice:

Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 6th.
Fr. Glass away until April 8th.

APRIL 5, 2015



Working wonders for those entering the priesthood...

Men who have responded to God's call to dedicate their lives to His service come from all walks of life. Those who enter the priesthood come from different ages and backgrounds, economic situations, skill sets, and ethnic communities. At ShareLife-funded agencies such as Serra House, Redemptoris Mater, and St. Augustine's Seminary, they undergo extensive theological education and practical field training. Through ShareLife, you are helping sustain the vocations for priesthood and inspire discernment for God's call. Last year ShareLife helped support 80 priests and seminarians in their formation studies.

2nd Sharelife Sunday – April 12, 2015

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

Parish Goal: \$50,000 Balance to-date: \$14,980.25

Opposing the Supreme Court of Canada assisted suicide decision Post Card Campaign:

On February 6, the Supreme Court made an irresponsible and dangerous decision by decriminalizing assisted suicide.

The Post Card Campaign allows you to send this message to one of these three parliamentarians:

1) **The Right Honourable Stephen Harper-**
Office of the Prime Minister

2) **The Hon. Dr. Kellie Leitch,**
P.C., O.ONT, MP Simcoe-Grey

3) **The Honourable Peter Gordon MacKay –**
Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada

Encourage as many of your family and friends to sign and mail (*No stamp necessary*) this post card immediately. **Post cards have been placed at the back of the church** in foyer for distribution. You may contact EPC at: www.epcc.ca

**St. Paul's Cemetery &
Immaculate Conception
Cemetery Clean-up
Saturday, April 25th**



9:00AM – We begin at St. Paul's Cemetery and then up to Immaculate Conception Cemetery.

Bring rakes & Leaf Blowers

Refreshments Provided

Qualifies for community hours



GARAGE SALE

**SATURDAY, May 9, 2015
8:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.**

**Please Hold on to those treasures that are in
Good, Clean, Working order until the following
delivery dates.....**

Wednesday, May 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday, May 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For pick-up, please contact before May 5, 2015.

Loretta Gismondi at 705-458-9504

****Note: NO CLOTHING PLEASE**



Saturday, May 2 @ 6:30pm

**Home made Pierogi Dinner
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Contact Dave McKendrick: Text 647-237-1348

Or email: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

Proceeds to support Edge Camp



OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD PRAYER GROUP

Our next prayer meeting will be on **Thursday, April 16th, from 7:30-9:30pm** in St. Paul Church. There will be a Praise and Worship followed by Living Word Group. Snacks and fellowship will follow.



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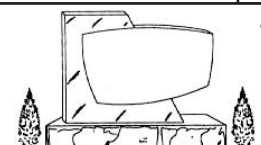
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