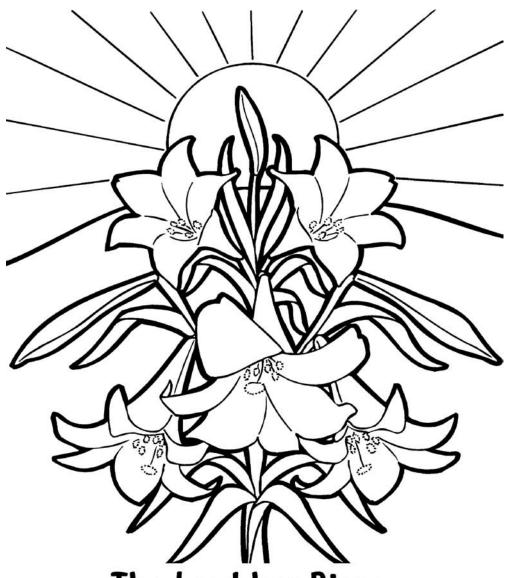
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The Lord has Risen, Allelaia, Allelaia, Allelaia!

### FROM THE DESK OF FATHER BONIFACE PERRI



Have you ever waited for anything? I have, the more we want it the more anticipation builds up: when will it come? Is it here yet? And when it finally comes it seems that our joy is made even greater because we have waited

so long. Easter to us is not the anticipation of the Lord's coming but His actual arrival. The Lord is here. In the vigil we wait at the tomb during the night. So eager is our anticipation that we cannot wait to greet Him, through the night of doubt and the sadness of the Passion still lingers as we wait, we remember; remember Jesus' words that the cross does not lead to death but salvation as do our own crosses when united with His. We remember that He promised never to truly leave us when He instituted the Eucharist on Holy Thursday. So when He rose and returned to us, our joy is complete.

Now, how exactly does that work? A person once asked me that "I understand Easter as a memorial of the Lord's Resurrection, that's easy to understand father, but this joy as if He was really here, as if I actually saw him rise, how can a person experience that? It's not that I don't believe it never happened, I do, but that was a long time ago."

But indeed the Lord has risen and is risen and is with us. When we celebrate the Mass we don't simply remember Holy Thursday but in a mystical way we are brought back to that moment reliving it in our minds and hearts with the apostles and with Jesus. When we hear Christ's story in our scripture and tradition we are brought back to those moments. In our personal prayer and meditation we open ourselves to the fullness of Christ: His love, His power and His glory only here can we say My Lord and My God. I think this is the difference between remembering something and just recalling an event like calling up a fact. Our Lent was being with Christ in the desert purifying ourselves of everything but Christ. In the remembrance of Gethsemane we too, waiting with the apostles as Jesus waited for His Passion and took our sins upon himself and we too can experience His love for us as we can experience the anxiety of the apostles. Good Friday we are there with Mary, St. Mary Magdalene and St. John thinking how much He loved us that He would suffer so much for us and in Easter, we experience the wonder and the joy of Christ resurrected that surpasses all of the wonder and joy of this world. Christ comes to us all who open the door to their hearts.

### Christ is Risen! Truly He has Risen!!

This changes our life, "this is the newness of life" we hear about. Christ is Risen; He is here, with me, now and goes before me, I have no need to fear or lose heart. He is my hope. He is here and I do all things through Him, He is the love through which I love. I know He is here even though I do not know all there is to know, even if at time we even get things wrong. I know Him now, today. This is the rock solid faith of the Saints and Martyrs. And it is my hope and fervent prayer that we all can be open to Christ this day and to the joy of His Presence this Easter. For He has risen from the grave and His love and joy are like the rays of the sun that goes before Him

scattering the darkness and bringing a new day and new life to all whom they touch.

## **Happy Easter** And may the joy of this moment be with you and accompany you always

Please Note Easter Monday is a holiday. Mass is scheduled for 9:30am. Parish Office will

## ASSISTED SUICIDE PROTECT THE VULNERABLE AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM!

By June 2016, the Government of Canada is expected to pass legislation to legalize assisted suicide. Cardinal Collins encourages Catholics throughout the archdiocese to visit

CanadiansforConscience.ca and support the coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience. The coalition represents a group of like-minded partners, including 5,000 doctors across Canada, who are committed to protecting conscience rights for health practitioners and facilities. You can use this website to write directly to your Member of Parliament, respectfully expressing your concerns. Given tight timelines for this legislation, please take action no later than April 1, 2016

Objection Sample Letters are available for you in the Sacristy

StareLife Working Wonders overseas through the Pastoral Mission ... "This workshop has helped me to reflect on my priestly call, a privileged service in God's Kingdom; and has reenergized me and my brother priests to be better in our service. Given our rural and remote locations, serving people who live in poverty can be draining at times. This workshop and dialogue has made a renewing impact for many of us. It has given us hope and strength to renew our enthusiasm and we do hope it continues in the future. We are deeply greatful and offer our prayers of support to ShareLife who made it financially possible for us to come together." - St. Justine de Jacobis Pastoral Office, Catholic Eparchy of Segenelty, Eritrea. NEXT SHARELIFE SUNDAY IS April 17, 2016. Please give generously. You can work wonders!



## **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

Friday March 25th 6:00pm Saturday March 26th 6:00pm 3:00pm Sunday March 27th Monday March 28th 10:00pm Tuesday March 29th 6:00pm Wednesday March 30th 6:00pm Thursday March 31st 6:00pm 6:00pm Friday April 1st Saturday April 2nd 6:00pm Divine Mercy Sunday April 3rd at 3:00 pm

Volunteers Needed for Eucharistic Ministry at Bradford Nursing Home Please Inquire at Parish Office

	PARISH CALENDAR
Sun Mar 27	EASTER SUNDAY
	-8:30am Sunday Mass
	-10:00am Sunday Mass
	-11:30am Sunday Mass
	-3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
	-4:45pm Spanish Mass
	6:30PM NO MASS*
Mon Mar 28	EASTER MONDAY – OFFICE CLOSED
	- 9:30am Daily Mass
	- 10:00am Divine Mercy Novena
Tues Mar 29	- 8:30am Daily Mass
	- 9:00am Adoration Chapel
	- 6:00pm Benediction
	- 6:00pm Divine Mercy Novena (After Benediction)
Wed Mar 30	- 6:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
	- 7:00pm Daily Mass
Thurs Mar 31	- 8:30am Daily Mass
	- 6:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
Fri Apr 1	- 6:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
1	- 7:00pm Daily Mass
	- 7:30pm HOLY HOUR
Sat Apr 2	- 9:30am Daily Mass
1	- 5:00pm Anticipatory Sunday Mass
	- 6:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
Sun Apr 3	- 8:30am Sunday Mass
1	- 10:00am Sunday Mass
	- 11:30am Sunday Mass
	- 2:00pm Baptism Celebration
	- 3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
	- 6:30pm Sunday Mass
Mon Apr 4	- 7:00pm Daily Mass
Tues Apr 5	- 8:30am Daily Mass
	- 9:00am Adoration Chapel
	- 6:00pm Benediction
	- 7:00pm First Communion Class(St. Angela Merici)
Wed Apr 6	- 7:00pm Daily Mass
	- 7:30pm Hospitality Meeting
Thurs Apr 7	- 8:30am Daily Mass
Fri Apr 8	- 7:00pm Daily Mass
Sat Apr 9	- 9:30am Daily Mass
	- 5:00pm Anticipatory Sunday Mass
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<sup>\*</sup> Please Note Mass time has been changed

### **KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS**

Charity Indoor Ball Hockey Tournament Saturday April 9th and 10th 2016-Tottenham Community Recreation Center
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"Run With It" – March 30, 2016 7:30pm – Deacon Dave

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## MASS JNTENTJONS

## Monday, March 28th 9:30am

- + David & Donald Harrison by Helen and Family
- + Antonio Mirassol & Family by Wife and Family
- + Michelle Ricciuto by Family
- + Stephen LaRoche by Christine Taurar and Family
- + McIntyre Brothers by Florence Szabo and Family
- + Tobias Rego by Anonymous
- + Eduardo Coelho by Conceicao Borges
- + Maria Xavier by Maria Rego

## Tuesday, March 29th 8:30am

\*Spec Int Isabel Maria Santos Domingues by Ceso & Maria Domingues

## Wednesday, March 30th 7:00pm

+ Kevine & Pamela Macdonell by Macdonnell Family

## Thursday, March 31st 8:30am

+ All Souls of Purgatory by Helena Peixoto

## Friday, April 1st 7:00pm

+ Maria Rosa de Jesus & Lourinda Neto by Joaquim Neto Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:30am

+ Pro Populo

## Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 5:00pm

- + Stan & Mary Chafe by Vilma LaRoche and Family
- + Maria & Dan Kostov by McEvenue Family
- + John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira
- + Antonietta & Pasquale Baccilieri by Family
- + Nuno Azevedo by Wife Elisabete and Children
- + Antonio Janeiro by Wife and Children
- + Maria Arromba by Family
- + Claudino Neto & Maria Rosa de Jesus by David and

Rose Oliveira

+ Gaetano Costanza by Wife and Family

## Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

**8:30am + Jose & Maria Pontes** by Luis and Zelia Pontes

10:00am + Frank Gagliardi by Family

11:30am \*Spec Int for First Communicants of St. Jean de

**Brebeuf Catholic School** 

6:30pm + Pro Populo

CWL EXECUTIVE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY MARCH 30, 2016 AT 7:00pm





All Lifeteen events start following the 6:30pm Sunday Youth Mass	All EDGE events start at 7:00 to 8:30pm on Monday evening in the Parish Hall.
April 3 – Lifeteen Social	Mar 28 – Easter No Edge
April 10 – Altaration Session 1	Apr 4 – Scavenger Hunt

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