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He is Risen!
Alleluia, Alleluia



Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 19

7 pm No Intentions

Sunday, April 20

9 am No Intentions

11 am No Intentions

Tuesday, April 22

8:30 am + Custodio Rodrigues
+ Maria Tornincasa-Rondinelli
+ Carmela Tornincasa-Anthony

Wednesday, April 23

8:30 am + Jadwiga Zaremba
+ Sabine Beblo

Thursday, April 24

8:30 am +Jadwiga Zaremba

Friday, April 25

8:30 am + Natalie Carvalho
Mary Buckley



Easter Sunday

First Reading: Acts 10.34a, 37-43

Psalm: Ps 118.1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Second Reading: Colossians 3.1-4

Gospel: John 20.1-18++



Sponsoring the Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary lamp signifies the Real Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It burns for the greater glory of God.

Parishioners are invited to become monthly sponsors of the Sanctuary Lamp. Please contact the parish office if you wish to donate. Doing so becomes an opportunity for friends and families to pray at the Tabernacle knowing the Lamp burns for their intentions.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in April for the intentions of: Sherilyn Almaria

GOSPEL REFLECTION

"...and she saw two Angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying..."

The angels of God have been present at the most significant moments of human history. There are numerous mentions of angels in the Old Testament. In the New Testament, the Incarnation of the Savior of the World was announced by an archangel. Myriads of angels were present at His birth. An angel spoke to Saint Joseph on four different occasions. As Jesus began His public ministry and overcame the temptations of the devil in the desert, angels from Heaven came to minister to Him. When Jesus prayed in solitude, especially during His agony in the garden, He was comforted by angels. At the empty tomb, it was an angel who first announced the good news that our Lord had risen. And at the end of time, it will be the angels of God who bring forth God's justice.

Today's angelic salutation to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary at the empty tomb should teach us that the message of the Resurrection is among the most important lessons we can ever learn. Furthermore, the message of this angel, given to these holy women, was intended not only for them, it is also spoken to us today.

The angel made an appearance that depicts absolute power and sanctity. He arrived with the speed of lightning. His countenance was radiant with Heavenly light. He instantly moved the large stone and sat upon it, pointing these holy women to the empty tomb. Today, if we have the eyes of faith, we will also receive an interior revelation from Heaven, just as these women did. Though we will not see with our eyes what they saw, we will see and hear through faith all that was spoken to them.

Reflect, today, upon the most glorious, awe-inspiring, life-changing message of Christ's Resurrection. If you find that you do not understand this message, then this Easter Season is an important time for you. It must be a time in which you dispel any fear that clouds your thinking. It must be a time when you listen most attentively in faith. It must be a time when you hear God speak to you about His glorious triumph over sin and death. Listen to the angels of God. Receive their message and allow Christ's Resurrection to change your life forever. (Excerpts from: *My Catholic Life*.)

PARISH NEWS

New Air Conditioner

Fr. Mani would like to extend his sincere thanks for the very generous donations towards a new air conditioner for the rectory. Your thoughtfulness will be remembered for a long time!



CWL Spring Bake Sale

Saturday, May 3rd – 10 am to 2 pm

The Catholic Women's League is holding its Annual Spring Bake Sale! All kinds of homemade baked goods will be for sale, as well as new gift items and knitted goods. If you would like to bake something for this event, please drop off your baked goods in the Parish Hall on Friday, May 2nd between 5 pm and 7 pm, or on the morning of Saturday, May 3rd, before the sale opens. A small café will also be set up where you can buy a cup of coffee or tea with a slice of cake or muffin and catch up with your fellow parishioners. Proceeds from the Sale will go to various charities. Please come out and support this event. Thank you!

Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Rome

The Archdiocese of Toronto Jubilee 2025 Committee is organizing a week-long pilgrimage to Rome with Cardinal Frank Leo. It is taking place on November 10-17, 2025. The pilgrimage will include visits to Rome's major basilicas and Holy Door, daily Mass, and a day trip to Assisi. Registration will take place online beginning Thursday, April 24 at 10 am. Space is limited. For full registration details, to view a detailed itinerary, and to learn more about this prayerful journey to Rome, visit: <https://bit.ly/ArchTORome2025>.

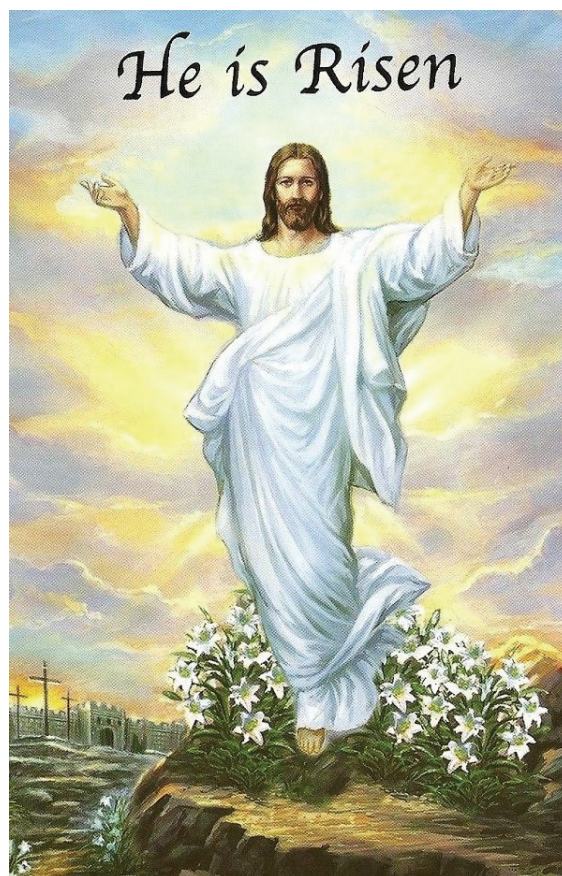
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Vocations

The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org. Information: www.vocationstoronto.ca



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