

Our Lady of Lourdes

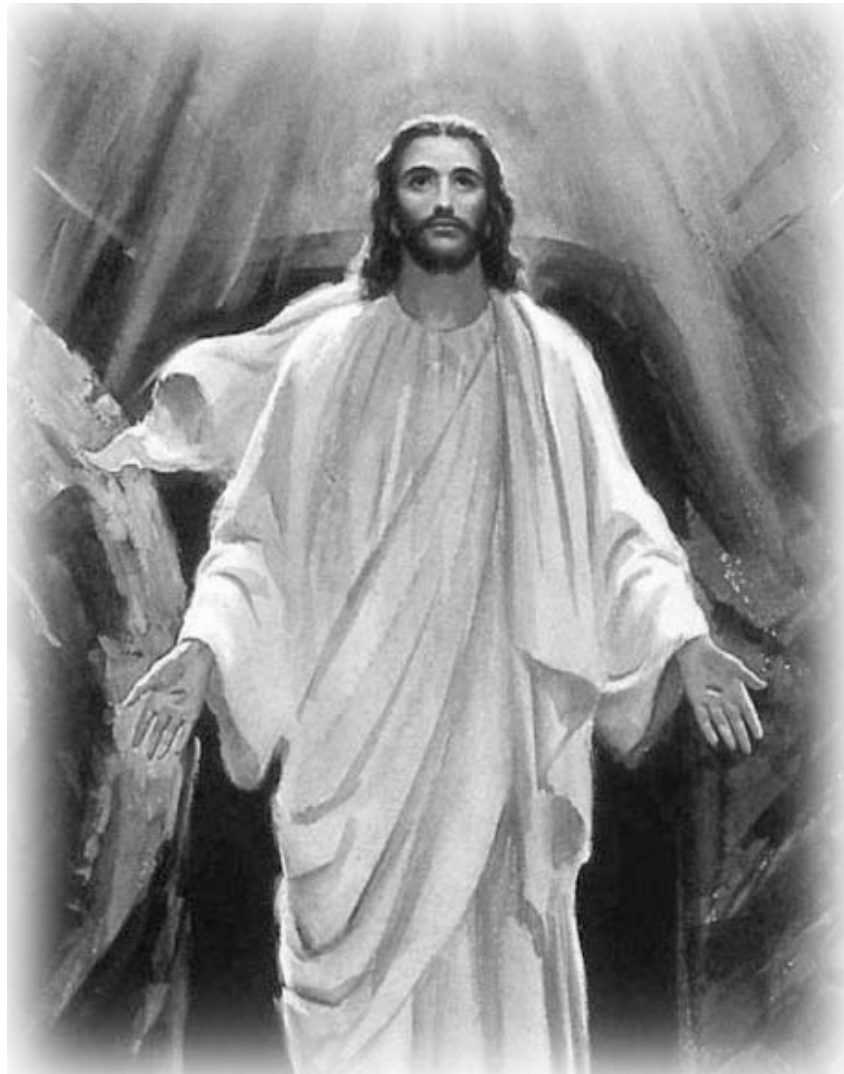
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Rejoice!
For the Lord is truly risen!



APR 7 to APR 12

TUESDAY – APR 7 Solemnity, Easter Octave	7:00 p.m.	No Mass
WEDNESDAY– APR 8 Solemnity, Easter Octave	9:00 a.m.	Barbara Schmuck – Kathie & Stephen Mulhall
THURSDAY– APR 9 Solemnity, Easter Octave	12:00 p.m.	Special Intention of Amy Rotchew – Joan Cassidy
FRIDAY– APR 10 Solemnity, Easter Octave	9:00 a.m.	No Mass
SATURDAY– APR 11 2 nd Sunday of Easter	5:00 p.m.	+Donna Duquette – Vivian & Larry Becker
SUNDAY– APR 12 2 nd Sunday of Easter	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+Tefamariam Desta – Family Living & deceased members of our parish

<i>Parish Finance Report Week of</i>		<i>Mar 1, 2026</i>	<i>Mar 8, 2026</i>
	<i>Sunday Envelope Collection</i>	<i>\$ 5,705.00</i>	<i>\$ 2,405.00</i>
	<i>Sunday Loose Collection</i>	<i>\$634.50</i>	<i>\$600.20</i>
	<i>E-transfer</i>	<i>\$ 567.00</i>	<i>\$ 567.00</i>
	<i>PAG/ Direct Deposit</i>	<i>\$ 2,668.15</i>	<i>\$ 2,668.15</i>
	<i>Other (Building fund, funerals, flowers missals, Votives...) total donation divided by 2 weeks</i>	<i>\$15.00</i>	<i>\$15.00</i>
	<i><u>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 9,589.65</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,255.35</u></i>
	<i><u>Budgeted</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,500.00</u></i>	<i><u>\$ 6,500.00</u></i>
	<i><u>Net Income /Loss</u></i>	<i><u>\$3,089.65</u></i>	<i><u>-\$244.65</u></i>

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Thank you for your generosity and continued support of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and our community.



*** Please note that there is no Tuesday or Thursday daily Mass this week***

Thank you to everyone who donated toward the Easter Flowers for the Church; and we remember and pray for our deceased loved ones, and ourselves, that we may all share in the glory of the Resurrection into New Life.



Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel

today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb, presumably to verify Mary's report. The beloved disciple arrives first but does not enter the tomb until after Simon Peter. This detail paints a vivid picture, as does the detail provided about the burial cloths. Some scholars believe that the presence of the burial cloths in the tomb offers evidence to the listener that Jesus' body had not been stolen (it is understood that grave robbers would have taken the burial cloths together with the body).

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.

EASTER SUNDAY



Please join in for **The Divine Mercy Novena** is prayed nine days prior to Divine Mercy Sunday, beginning on Good Friday, April 3, 2026. "Let us be renewed by God's mercy, let us be loved by Jesus, let us enable the power of his love to transform our lives, too," he continued, "and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation, and make justice and peace flourish." One special way to bring about this transformation in our lives is to undertake the Divine Mercy novena, which begins each year on Good Friday.

Blessing for Easter Dinner

We have put on Christ, alleluia!

In Christ we have been baptized, alleluia!

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Joyfully do we praise you,

*Lord Jesus Christ, risen from the grave,
and give you thanks.*

*Remain here in our midst
as we share this Easter meal.*

*May we receive you as a guest
in all our brothers and sisters
and be welcomed by you*

*to share the feast of your Spirit,
for you live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen. Alleluia!*



MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH: we are in need of volunteers to sell the tickets for Mother's Day lunch, after Mass starting in April, if you can help please contact the parish office.



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,
Invites you for Lunch in honour of
**Mother's Day Lunch,
Sunday, May 10 at 12:00 p.m.**

Bring your whole family
(Tickets are limited)
For more information and to purchase
tickets:
please call Patrycja at 519-886-0342
ext.101 or send an email

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Ticket price \$20 each.

Includes hot lunch served buffet style.

Roast beef with horseradish, scalloped potatoes, veggies,
coleslaw, cake, coffee, and tea

Tickets are on Sale Now !!!!

After Mass on Apr 12. Or purchase at the parish office

Thank you to Our Lady of Lourdes parishioners who donated rice and salt for Canadian Food for Children this Lent. **101 boxes of salt and 81 bags of rice** were taken to Mississauga CFFC warehouse for shipment. "The rice is like gold, everywhere it is shipped to uses it" from a CFFC worker. May God bless you for your generosity to the poor. Happy Easter !



Regina Caeli Queen of Heaven

**V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice,
alleluia.**

R. For He whom
you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to
God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin

Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thank you to everyone who assisted in the planning and celebrations of the Easter Triduum; especially Bruce and April and our two choirs, the altar servers and those who took part in liturgical ministries. celebrations of the Easter Triduum. Wishing everyone a very Blessed and Joyful Easter. Fr. Steve and Nicholas

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