

From the Pastor's desk

Pastor's Easter Message

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"God placed on Jesus' cross all the weight of our sins, all the injustices perpetrated by every Cain against his brother, all the bitterness of the betrayal of Judas and by Peter, all the vanity of tyrants, all the arrogance of false friends. It was a heavy cross, like night experienced by abandoned people, heavy like the death of loved ones, heavy because it carries all the ugliness of evil. However, the cross is also glorious like the dawn after a long night, for it represents all the love of God, which is greater than our iniguities and our betravals. In the cross we see the monstrosity of man, when he allows evil to guide him; but we also see the immensity of the mercy of God, who does not treat us according to our sins but according to his mercy." Pope Francis wrote that ten years ago. It is through the cross that we come to the resurrection which had meaning for Mary as she stood in front of the empty tomb and which has meaning for you and me too. Without the cross there would have been no forgiveness of our sins and without the empty tomb there would be no hope for our resurrection from the dead. But Jesus is indeed risen from the tomb, the hope for all sincere believers who die at peace with God. Let us rejoice now for the next fifty days in the glorious resurrection of Jesus during this Jubilee year of Hope and the 100th anniversary of our parish of St. Anthony of Padua, here in West Kildonan. Happy Easter! Jesus is risen!

Fr. Dominic

Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Blessed Carlo Acutis will be the first millennial saint to be canonized by Pope Francis during the Jubilee Mass for teenagers from St. Peter's Square in Rome on Sunday, April 27, 2025, 4:30 am ET. Later, on Sunday, August 3, 2025, Pier Giorgio Frassati will be canonized. These were two very young men who lived exemplary lives and stood up for Christ. Learn more about them by simply googling their names.

Joyous Time of Year

May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear.

And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.

- Author Unknown

<u> Parish News</u>

The Catholic Women's League of St. Anthony of Padua wishes you all a safe and blessed Easter. A change: The tickets for our Saturday May 3,

dinner at 5:30PM celebrating 100th Anniversary and Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel, can be purchased by calling Pat Hay at 204-339-8475 this weekend until Sunday April 20, cost \$50.00 per person, guests are welcome! Note, the 4PM mass on Saturday May 3 will be hosted by the Catholic Women's League in honour of our 100th Anniversary.

Membership dues are \$40.00, payable now, all cheques to be made payable to St. Anthony of Padua - CWL. Any questions please contact Pat Hay at 204-339-8475.

Christ is Risen ! Truly He is Risen !! Blessed

Congratulations to the Winners of the 100th Anniversary raffle held on April 5th Lic#4398-2025

1st Prize \$500 ticket 0702 Cora Parani 2nd Prize \$500 ticket 0559 Rick Dondo 3rd Prize \$500 ticket 0792 Mark Galarnyk 4th Prize \$500 ticket 0021 Gary & Elizabeth Kincaid 5th Prize \$500 ticket 0232 Cecilia Rebustillo

RELIGIOUS 🧖 Happy Easter to the children,

EDUCATION Catechists , Assistants and your families. **May the peace of the Risen Lord be with you.** Rosa



Please remember in your prayers, parishioners and friends who are ill: Renate Luebbert, Connie Mikolash, Al Sarna, Susana Montales, Adam Rusak, Elsie & Stan Bialkowski, Katrena Johnson Donahoe.

VOCATION MINISTRY

As we journey through Lent, we prepare our hearts for the Paschal Mystery — walking with Christ through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. This sacred season is a perfect time to cultivate a spirit of vocational awareness. April 28 to 3rd Week of Easter: **Uplift Your Priests Campaign** - The campaign inspires us to affirm and encourage our priest, especially after Lent and Easter. Show appreciation through prayers, artworks, letter, cards or acts of service.

May 1: Religious Brothers Day

- we celebrates our Brothers who live in religious communities. Though not ordained, they take vows and promise to use their talents to serve God wherever the community decides they are needed. Join us in praying for the brothers from our parish/diocese.

Donations of coffee, tea and sugar packets would be greatly appreciated

Archdiocese News

2025 Caritas Award Dinner - April 24, 2025

The theme for this year's Caritas Award Dinner is "Creating a welcoming community for individuals with diverse abilities." The 2025 Caritas Award dinner will honour those who have broken barriers and strive to remove negative stigma about those with developmental disabilities. Join us on April 24, 2025, at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre (460 Munroe Ave). Reception starts at 5:30 pm, and the dinner and awards ceremony begins at 6:30 pm. Learn more and purchase tickets https://www.catholicfoundation.mb.ca

St. Theresa's Knights of Columbus Trivia Time

April 27, 2025. The doors will open at 12:30PM, after our 11:00AM Mass, pizza lunch will be included. Tickets are \$20 each and tables for 6-8 can be booked by emailing <u>nizio@mts.net</u>

Come and See Retreat Weekend with the Daughter of St. Paul - May 2-4, 2025. The Daughters of St. Paul vocational discernment retreats offer an experience of the life, mission, and spirituality of the Daughters of St. Paul. They provide a closer look at our life, along with time to reflect on your own journey and to pray in the presence of Jesus, our Eucharistic Master. These retreats are open to single Catholic women ages 18-30 seeking to learn more about a vocation to the religious life and the Daughters of St. Paul. Go here for more information: <u>https://connect.pauline.org/vocation-events/</u>

Readings for the week:

Mon Apr 21– Acts 2:14, 22-33, Matthew 28:9-15 Tue Apr 22 – Acts 2:36-41, John 20:11-18 Wed Apr 23 – Acts 3:1-10, Luke 24:13-35 Thur Apr 24 – Acts 3:11-26, Luke 24:35-48 Fri Apr 25 – Acts 4:1-12, John 21:1-14 Sat Apr 26 – Acts 4:13-21, Mark 16:9-15



THE LORD IS RISER! ALLELNIA!

<u>Mass Schedule</u>

Mon Apr 21: Solemnity: Easter Octave 9:00am Pastors Intentions

Tue Apr 22: Solemnity: Easter Octave

9:00am *R.I.P.* Pauline Arquillano by The Bello Family *R.I.P.* Stanislaw & Michalina Rudzki by The Family *R.I.P.* Peter & Maria Majowski by The Family *R.I.P.* Mark Watson by Daniel Watson Thanksgiving & Good Health for Karolina Rudzki by The Family All Souls in Purgatory by The Alcudia Family Health & Blessings for Henry Alcudia by The Family

Wed Apr 23: Solemnity: Easter Octave

9:00am R.I.P. Pauline Arquillano by The Bello Family R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family R.I.P. Mark Watson by Daniel Watson

Thur Apr 24: Solemnity: Easter Octave

9:00am *R.I.P. Ray Mazur by Marie Motoska & Olko Families R.I.P. Mark Watson by Daniel Watson R.I.P. Pauline Arquillano by The Bello Family R.I.P. Guillermo Ching & Angelina Lim Reyes by Maria Layug R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family Thanksgiving & Blessings for the Alcartado Family*

Fri Apr 25: Solemnity: Easter Octave

9:00am *R.I.P.* Pauling Arquillano by The Bello Family *R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family All Souls in purgatory by The Bello Family*

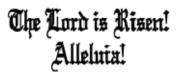
<u>Sat Apr 26: Solemnity: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy</u> Sunday

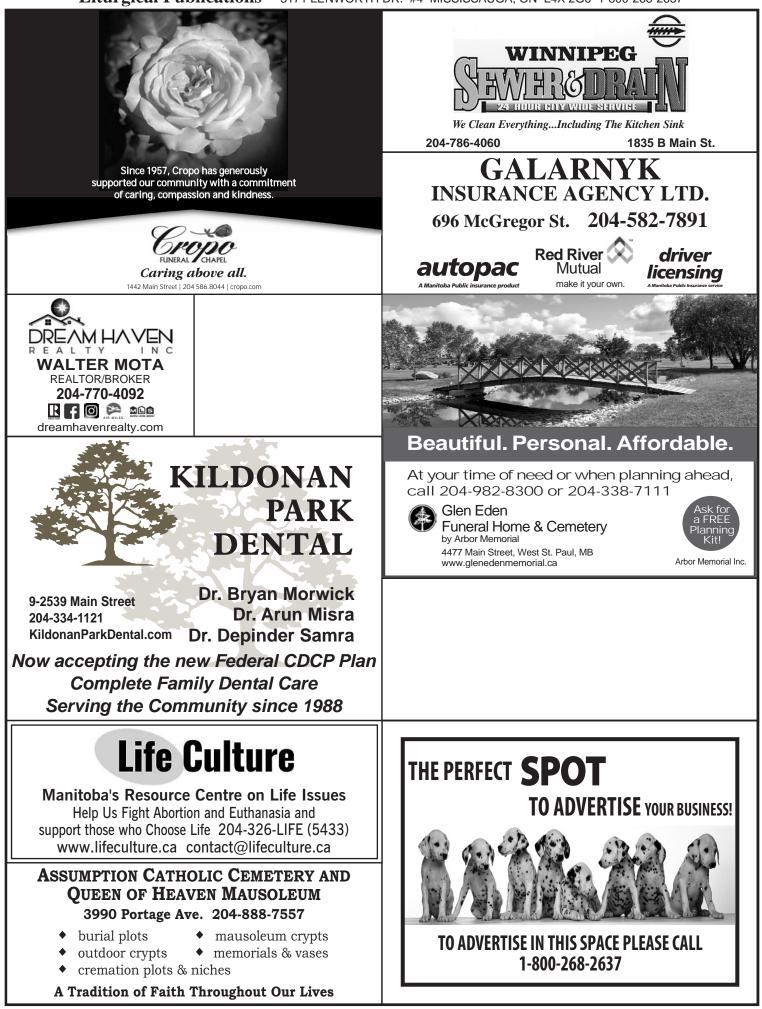
8:00pm R.I.P. Katie Latham by Grandma R.I.P. Pauline Arquillano by The Bello Family R.I.P. Adele O'Neill by Darlene & Colleen R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Jacquelin & Justine by The Hay Family

Sun Apr 27: Solemnity: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00am R.I.P. Martin Pena by Derek & Maricelli Pena R.I.P. Pauline Arquillano by The Bello Family R.I.P. Jean, Marie & Joseph LaFreniere by The Family R.I.P. Allan, Alex, Lucille & Rheal LaFreniere by The Family Good Health & Joyful long life for Fr. Dominic by The Fernando-Militar Family

Thanksgiving & Blessings for the Alcartado Family Health of Lawrence & Anita by the LaFreniere Family Health of Yvette, Emily & Claire by the LaFreniere Family Successful Surgery & Health of Ersilia Ranieri by Tony DiNella **11:00am** Parishioners





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