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## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Mass Intentions & Parish Activities

#### MONDAY 16 APRIL

7:30am Mass: + Joseph Louery

4:00pm Youth Choir

#### TUESDAY 17 APRIL - ST KATERI TEKAKWITHA, VIRGIN

7:30am Mass: + Jack & Joyce Kershaw

#### WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL

7:30am Mass: + Denise Van Veen

4:00pm Youth Choir

6:40pm Benediction

7:00pm Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions

8:00pm Parish Choir

#### THURSDAY 19 APRIL

7:30am Mass: + Mary Ann McQuade

9:00am to 12 noon Children's Play Group

7:00pm Legion of Mary meeting

#### FRIDAY 20 APRIL

7:30am Mass: + Leila Panham

#### SATURDAY 21 APRIL - ST ANSELM, BISHOP & DOCTOR

8:30am Mass: + Multiple Mass Intentions

4:30pm Mass: + Damian Riad Panham

#### SUNDAY 22 APRIL - EASTER IV

8:30am Mass: + John Visconti

10:00am Mass: Pro Populo

11:30am Mass: + Jorgelina De Melo

7:00pm Mass: + Sol Elepato

### THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS IN MEMORY OF DONELDA BURNETT

**Pilgrimage:** Fr Paul Dobson will be leading a 15 day pilgrimage to Greece and Malta **21 October to 4 November 2018**, following in the footsteps of St. Paul. Please contact the office for details and the itinerary.

### FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

#### THE RISEN SAVIOUR'S GIFT OF PEACE.

I am sure you have noticed the frequency with which, after His Resurrection, Our Lord greets His disciples with those simple words: "Peace be with you". We hear them again in this Sunday's Gospel. They are words which also come to us in one form or another in the Mass, especially as we prepare to meet Our Lord in Eucharistic Communion. That awesome encounter with Him in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood gives us a clue as to how we best understand His words. When we think of "peace" we perhaps automatically think of its absence in so many parts of our world: wars, terrorism in its many manifestations, persecutions of the faith – the list is long. It is right and proper that we pray for peace for all those caught up in the effects of war, violence and hatred. We might also think of how society is shattered in so many ways: crime, many forms of upheaval etc. We should indeed pray for them and for the allaying of their anxieties and the healing of their wounds, physical and emotional. Also, in a time of economic uncertainty and the accompanying worries that brings, we should pray for the peace necessary for society to continue to function properly in a time of stress. However, the peace which Christ bestows on us is something deeper than all of these. Here are some words of

St Thomas More: *"Nothing can come but than that God wills. And I make me very sure that whatsoever that be, seem it never so bad in sight, it shall indeed be the best."* The words of a man about to suffer martyrdom for his faith in Christ and his adherence to the Church, reveal to us that true peace which Christ gives. It is a peace which comes from being united to Him; it is a peace which is unruffled, undisturbed by the events this world throws at us: the betrayal of friends, the collapse of hopes and plans, the tragedies and anxieties which are part of all our lives. If we are friends with Christ, if His peace reigns in our hearts and souls then whatever happens "it shall indeed be the best", because through it all God's plans are moving forward, even if we cannot perceive or understand them. That union, that friendship with Christ reaches a high point when we come to Him in Holy Communion. That goes to explain why Our Lord's resurrection appearances are often tied to "the breaking of bread" - to teach us that in the Eucharist, in the Mass, is the way we come to Him now. "Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace". This is what we pray for this weekend. A peace the world cannot give, a peace the world cannot take from us: the best gift of them all.

### 22nd April: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

#### FEAST OF THE WEEK:

**St Anselm (1033-1109)** He was a Norman monk, theologian, philosopher who became Archbishop of Canterbury. He battled with William II and his son Henry I as they tried to dominate the Church, which led him to periods of exile. He was known for his spirituality, sensitivity and generosity to the poor.

What could convince someone to turn to God? The story that God became human? The story that Jesus cured the sick? The story that Jesus forgave sin? The story that Jesus rose from the dead? Or, perhaps, the story of the witness of your own life! If you have the continuing inclination that God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997**

email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

website: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

#### Living the Gospel by helping those with addictions



Scarred by an abusive childhood, Andrew became addicted to hard drugs as an early teen. His next 20 years were spent in-and-out of jail and the hospital. He finally came to St. Michael's Homes, a ShareLife-funded agency that offers a residential program for those struggling with substance abuse. Now sober and equipped with coping skills, Andrew is happy and building a new life. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping people like Andrew get their lives back on track.

**April 22 is the next ShareLife Sunday.**

**Please give generously.**

#### CHOIR REHEARSALS

**YOUTH** -- Mondays & Wednesdays -- 4:00 to 5:30pm

**GREGORIAN** – prior to 7:00pm Sunday Mass

**PARISH** – Wednesdays 8:00pm

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.**

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR**

The Holy Spirit invites you, yes you, to enter into the most awesome, dynamic relationship you've ever had so far, a relationship with the one true living God, that will bring you healing, love, peace & joy that exceeds any human understanding. Come to the 'Life in the Spirit' seminar to experience God's love, like you never have before, **7:30 to 9:30pm** at St. Isaac Jogues Church, **April 16, 23, May 7, 14, 22, 28, June 4, 11**. No cost! For more information visit [manresaprayergroup.org/LSS](http://manresaprayergroup.org/LSS)

The JOY of the LORD is my STRENGTH!  
~Nehemiah 8:10~

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE**

SCHOOL	REHEARSAL DATE	CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT
St. Isaac Jogues	April 17th 7:00pm	April 21st 10:30am
Other Catholic Public or Private	April 19th 7:00pm	April 22nd 11:30am

**NEOPHYTE MASS**

Cardinal Collins invites all of the newly baptized and those who have been received into the Church this Easter to our annual Neophyte Mass. The Mass will take place **next Sunday, April 22, 2018 at 2:00pm** at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Michael. Before the Mass begins, Cardinal Collins will offer a brief history of the cathedral and give an explanation of his vestments.

**Catholic Women's League Luncheon**

The St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Women's League monthly luncheon takes place on **Wednesday, April 25th** beginning with rosary or Mass at **11:30am**. Please send an email to [CWL.luncheon@gmail.com](mailto:CWL.luncheon@gmail.com) (or call [905-831-3353](tel:905-831-3353)) to confirm your attendance and indicate if you need a ride. This helps us to ensure sufficient table settings and food! Lunch will be served at 12 noon, bingo and social time at 1:00pm. Cost \$3.00 per person (please pay at the door). In an effort to reduce the time and labour involved in washing and drying the coffee mugs, and to help the environment by saving water and energy, we are asking all luncheon attendees to LUG-A-MUG. We appreciate your help in reducing this time consuming aspect of our luncheon.

**BINGO - Saturday April 28th following 4:30pm Mass**

Come and enjoy a night of fun and fellowship hosted by the Knights of Columbus! Feast on a tasty pasta dinner followed by 10 regular games of Bingo.

**Children are welcome for dinner, however, due to ACGO regulations, anyone under 18 years of age cannot play. We offer supervised children's activities during Bingo.**



**PLEASE NOTE:** Offertory envelopes have been available for pick-up in the foyer of the church for quite some time. The remainder of envelope boxes will soon be removed and put back into circulation. Thank you.



**FOURTH ANNUAL TALENT SHOW**

Great show of local talent, hosted by the St. Isaac Jogues Knights of Columbus, will take place on **Saturday, May 5th, 1:00pm** Orchard Villa Retirement Residence  
1955 Valley Farm Rd., Pickering, in the Auditorium.

Doors open at 12:30. Local artists will be entertaining and all proceeds will go to local charities. Tickets are \$10.00 per person or 3 individuals \$25:00. For more information and/or tickets for this special event contact Allan Ashby (905) 427-3273. Don't miss out. Mark your calendars now!

Registration is now open for this year's Totus Tuus summer programme! Our neighbours at Holy Redeemer Parish will be hosting us from **July 22nd - 27th**. The Totus Missionaries will be running a day camp for students going into grades 1-6 and an evening program for students going into grades 7-12. Registration forms are available at the parish office or on our website, and you can contact Shelly at the parish office, ext 223 or by email at [SIJYM@hotmail.com](mailto:SIJYM@hotmail.com) for more information.



**2017 tax receipts are available for pick-up during regular office hours. Also, please retrieve your box of 2018 offertory envelopes from the foyer a.s.a.p.**

**Children's Liturgy** is for those in Junior Kindergarten up to and including Grade 3 (ages 4 to 8 years). **Children under the age of 4 years are welcomed, but MUST be accompanied by an adult.**

**Coffee Sunday:** We are looking for volunteers to continue this service. **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY** and your commitment would be 2 or 3 Sundays for approximately 2 hours each time. High school students (**especially those needing community service hours**), families, couples, singles, interested in helping and meeting new people are very welcome. Please contact Karen Branson (905-420-9847).



**Thursday May 10, 2018**

Please join the parish bus to Ottawa for the 21st anniversary of the annual March for Life to parliament Hill and witness to the sanctity of life. **Schedule:** 6:30am: Holy Mass, 7:00am: bus departs for Ottawa. Bus tickets available at the parish office. \$40.00 per person. (includes boxed lunch sponsored by the Knights of Columbus) For more information call Chris 416-561-5090 or email: [sijProLife@gmail.com](mailto:sijProLife@gmail.com)



**Smile of the Day:**

Customer: Waiter, there's a fly in my alphabet soup!  
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