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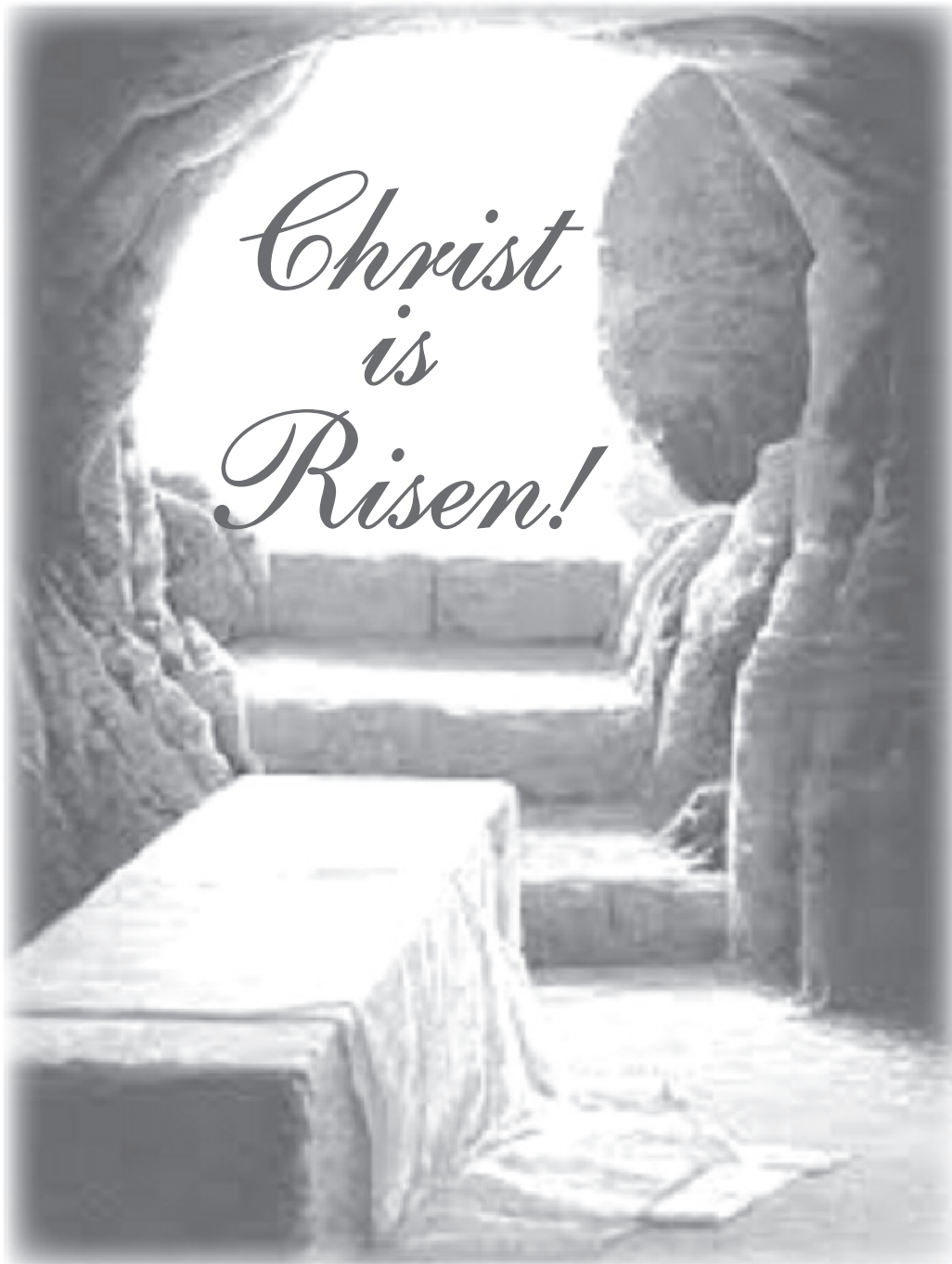
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# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



<b>MON, APR 10</b> 9:15 am	Frians Peters †; Domenic Maida †; Emill Coovay †; Raymond Coelho †
7:00 PM	
<b>TUES, APR 11</b> 7:00 pm	Bruno Adolf Ratzki †; Michele Parente †; In Thanksgiving - Maria Anna Real
<b>WED, APR 12</b> 9:15 am	Nada Naysun †
7:00 PM	
<b>THUR, APR 13</b> 7:00 pm	Allan Heath †
<b>FRI, APR 14</b> 9:15 am	Juan, Paciencia & Ludano Biding †; In Thanksgiving for the 50th anniversary of Wilson & Sicily Padavin
7:00 PM	For the health of Adriano Nogueira
<b>SAT, APR 15</b> 9:15 am	Marianna Corsaro †; Raffaele Simonetta †
5:00 PM	Inna Orsini †; Pamela Theresa Perera †; Angelo Rosario
<b>SUN, APR 16</b> 9:00 am	Manuel & Genoveva Barbosa †; Kiran Joseph Rebello †
10:30 am	Tommaso & Blandina Vani †; Vito & Vince Cristello †; Thomas DaSilva †
12:30 pm	Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Chrisbel Mahesan †
8:00 pm	For the People of the Parish



**You can still register for**  
**our Parish Youth Program Edge (Gr 5-8)**  
**Sign up after Mass and drop off the registration**  
**and payment at the parish office.**  
**NEXT EDGE NIGHT**  
**Friday, April 21st, 2023**  
**from 7pm-830pm**  
**Cost: \$50 (includes t-shirt and snacks)**  
**If you are interested in volunteering or would like**  
**more information**  
**email Margaret at [dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com](mailto:dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com)**

*Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer  
The slings and arrows of outrageous fortune,  
Or to take arms against a sea of troubles,  
And by opposing end them? To die: to sleep;  
No more; and by a sleep to say we end  
The heart-ache and the thousand natural shocks  
That flesh is heir to, 'tis a consummation  
Devoutly to be wish'd. To die, to sleep;  
To sleep: perchance to dream: ay, there's the rub;  
For in that sleep of death what dreams may come  
When we have shuffled off this mortal coil,  
Must give us pause.*

**- William Shakespeare (1564-1616), English playwright, poet**

It is no longer a given that the typical a post secondary school graduate will be familiar with or have studied the one-time renowned “to be or not to be” soliloquy from Shakespeare’s, Hamlet. The decolonizing trends in education have pushed aside that which was formerly regarded as essential reading. As most commentaries will expound, the greatness of Shakespeare’s prose, though veiled in old English, is an accurate study into human psychology through the presented plights of his numerous compelling semi historical/fictional characters. In Hamlet’s introspective anguished brooding of whether to seek revenge for his father’s murder or whether to opt out of having to act daringly by ending his life, the reader can insert their own particular personal torment.

With the increasing expansion of the deadly cloud of euthanasia across the country and promised legislative limitations succinctly falling aside, more of our population is being seduced into suicide. A Canadian census for the year 2021 put the number of those who opted for MAiD at over 10,000 souls! As human life is being valued based on its utility and capacity to perform an “essential service,” the slippery slope is entrapping those who not only face terminal illnesses, but for far too many who are succumbing to despair.

Shakespeare warns of those dreams that may come in thinking that death will offer the hope of a sleep without nightmares. With a society that has renounced belief in God, the fearful uncertainty of what comes after death has seemingly been removed. Shakespeare knew well that our baptism into our Christian faith tells us otherwise; battling furiously in the knowledge of a triumphant Lord who himself has passed through the way of human misery is a God worth clinging onto and invoking in whatever dark temptations we confront. Praise be our Paschal King!

*CC Ponder*

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Jesus is nowhere visible. Yet, today’s Gospel tells us that Peter and John “saw and believed.”

What did they see? Burial shrouds lying on the floor of an empty tomb. Maybe that convinced them that He hadn’t been carted off by grave robbers, who usually stole the expensive burial linens and left the corpses behind.

But notice the repetition of the word “tomb”—seven times in nine verses. They saw the empty tomb and they believed what He had promised: that God would raise Him on the third day.

Chosen to be His “witnesses,” today’s First Reading tells us, the Apostles were “commissioned . . . to preach . . . and testify” to all that they had seen—from His anointing with the Holy Spirit at the Jordan to the empty tomb.

We are the children of the apostolic witnesses. That is why we still gather early in the morning on the first day of every week to celebrate this feast of the empty tomb, to give thanks for “Christ our life,” as today’s Epistle calls Him.

Baptized into His death and Resurrection, we live the heavenly life of the risen Christ, our lives “hidden with Christ in God.” We are now His witnesses, too. But we testify to things we cannot see but only believe; we seek in earthly things what is above.

We live in memory of the Apostles’ witness, like them eating and drinking with the risen Lord at the altar. And we wait in hope for what the Apostles told us would come—the day when we too “will appear with Him in glory.”

*Fr. Roger*



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Jesus' love for us invites us to give to others, especially those most in need. ShareLife agencies continue to support the most vulnerable in our community through services that are only possible through your kind and generous donations. Thank you very much for supporting our parish's ShareLife campaign. Thus far we have raised **\$8,362** toward our goal of **\$62,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate). A blessed Easter to you all!

**LIVING THE FAITH**

**GET INVOLVED, JOIN A MINISTRY AND STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH**

At the start of Lent, you completed a volunteer form. Please attend the respective session you are interested in to get more details of your involvement. All meetings are in the church hall downstairs.

**SMALL GROUP FAITH COMMUNITIES** (Faith Formation) - Saturday April 1 at 10 am

**CHRIST GATHERED & CHRIST SERVED** - Thursday April 13 at 7:30 pm – 55+ Club, Children's Liturgy, CWL, Knights of Columbus, Refugee Outreach, Social Committee, St. Vincent de Paul, Tutoring, Youth Ministry, Bereavement, EMHC to the Sick, Fair Trade

**CHRIST TAUGHT** - Thursday April 20 at 7:30 pm – Alpha, Baptism, Bible Study, Communion, Confirmation, Marriage Prep, School Outreach

**CHRIST PRAYED** - Thursday April 27 at 7:30 pm - Altar Servers (May 4), Choir, Devotion & Prayer, EMHC, Funeral Servers, Lectors, Legion of Mary, Rosary Apostolate, Ushers

**CHRIST LED** - Thursday May 4 at 7:30 pm - Building & Grounds, Collection Counters, Screening Committee and Altar Servers.

**THE 55+ CLUB**

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm. We will resume in the New year on January 10th. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: [sandyrobin22@gmail.com](mailto:sandyrobin22@gmail.com)

**STITCHES FROM THE HEART**

Will resume on Monday January 9th and meets every Monday at 10 am, everyone is welcome to join us whether you knit or would like to learn. For further information, please contact Mary Abela at 905-915-8765. *Any donation of yarn would be greatly appreciated*

**LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary, a world-wide apostolic organization of Catholics, meets every Tuesday: Adults: 6pm. Our Lady of Fatima statue will visit your home. For more information, please leave message for Lina Go or Annette Fernando at the parish office.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

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**SERRA'S VOCATION SEEDS**

"He has been raised from the dead!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons, brothers or sisters. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, , Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



**PARISH ENVELOPES**

**PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS** as all numbers have been reassigned. Once you receive your new box make sure you write all your information (Name, Address and phone number) for the first couple of weeks. Thank you.



**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**



**Monday, April 10th - Friday, April 14th**

6:00 pm - Divine Mercy Prayer/Novena  
Followed by a 7:00 pm Mass

**Saturday, April 15th**

8:15 am - Divine Mercy Prayer/Novena

**Sunday, April 16th at 3:00 pm**

**Feast of the Divine Mercy**

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Benediction

Anointing of the Sick

*"You expired, Jesus,  
but the source of life gushed forth for souls,  
and the ocean of mercy  
opened up for the whole world.  
O Fount of Life,  
unfathomable Divine Mercy,  
envelop the whole world  
and empty Yourself out upon us."*

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION  
TO THE DIVINE MERCY**

Jesus, the Divine Mercy, I consecrate my entire life, from this day on, to You without reserve  
Into Your hands I abandon my past,  
my present and my future from this day forward,  
make me a true follower of Your teaching  
Let Your Divine Mercy Image,  
protect my home and my family from all the powers of evil in this world today.  
May all who venerate it never perish,  
may it be their joy in life, their hope in death,  
and their glory in eternity.  
Amen.

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