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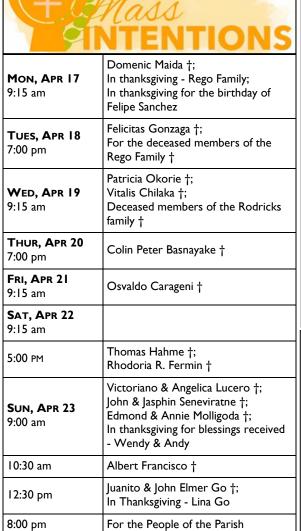
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SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY





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, May 5th, 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

Before I am an athlete, I am an Orthodox Christian. This award is certainly the most important I've ever got. As an athlete and a religious person, it is hard for me to find appropriate words to describe my feelings of gratitude for the confidence I gain from the Holy Synod. I can only say that it can be earned only with hard work and self-belief, belief in your loved ones and in God.

- Novak Djokovic, address after being bestowed with the Serbian Orthodox's highest honour, the St. Sava award, 2011

After his record tying grand slam win at the Australian Open in January, the world renowned tennis star shows no signs of slowing down in his climb to the heights as the sport's finest player ever. As extraordinary as his accomplishments are on the court, his lived Christian faith is equally compelling. Novak and his wife Jelena have financed the rebuilding of schools, chapels and the operation of a restaurant that provides free meals to the poor. They pray devoutly as a family. Of course, his last grand slam win was self-described as perhaps his greatest and sweetest. Novak wept profusely following his game/set/match point.

The Orthodox Church celebrated their Easter last Sunday and liturgically it is a time for relishing and rejoicing in contentment. Just as the Emmaus disciples waken from their despondency to the discovery of the Hidden Risen One whose company they share, so too may He continue to open minds and hearts to his Presence.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We should put ourselves in the shoes of the disciples in today's Gospel. Downcast and confused, they're making their way down the road, unable to understand all the things that have occurred.



They know what they've seen—a prophet mighty in word and deed. They know what they were hoping for—that He would be the redeemer of Israel. But they don't know what to make of His violent death at the hands of their rulers.

They can't even recognize Jesus as He draws near to walk with them. He seems like just another foreigner visiting Jerusalem for the Passover.

Note that Jesus doesn't disclose His identity until they they describe how they found His tomb empty but "Him they did not see." That's how it is with us, too. Unless He revealed Himself, we would see only an empty tomb and a meaningless death.

How does Jesus make Himself known at Emmaus? First, He interprets "all the Scriptures" as referring to Him. In today's First Reading and Epistle, Peter also opens the Scriptures to proclaim the meaning of Christ's death according to the Father's "set plan"—foreknown before the foundation of the world.

In every Eucharist, we reenact that Easter Sunday at Emmaus. Jesus reveals Himself to us in our journey. He speaks to our hearts in the Scriptures. Then at the table of the altar, in the person of the priest, He breaks the bread.

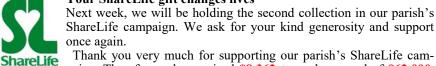
The disciples begged Him, "Stay with us." So He does. Though He has vanished from our sight, in the Eucharist—as at Emmaus—we know Him in the breaking of the bread.

Fr. Roger

SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD, 2023

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Thank you very much for supporting our parish's ShareLife campaign. Thus far we have raised \$8,362 toward our goal of \$62,000.

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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.

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.

STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE

St. Marguerite d'YouvilleParish will be hosting a coach bus trip for this three-day conference held at the Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio.

Come join the Parish group lead by Fr. Roger Pascalland expe-STEUBENVILLE rience the Holy Spirit's power and healing as you participate in the talks presented by today's foremost Catholic presenters of the faith, listen to uplifting worship music and heavenly litur-

gies. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal the purpose of your life: to live in true freedom and joy of the Spirit. Be uplifted by the witness and fellowship of disciples like you. Cost -\$303 USD (Ages up to 30 Years), \$388 USD (Ages 31 and up) includes meals, shared accommodations and registration fee, with free coach transportation from the church. Coach departs church parking lot at 7am Friday, June 9 and will return by 11pm on Sunday, June 11.

Space is limited, save your spot with a \$50 deposit, with final payment due by For more information or to book please email: Paul alphasmdy@gmail.com or call 416 -464 7198.

SERRA'S VOCATION SEEDS

Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does your heart burn in his presence? How are you being called - as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, , Archdiocese of 416-968-0997 Email: vocations@archtoronto.org Toronto at www.vocationstoronto.ca

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

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LEGACY SOCIETY OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

If you have included your parish or favourite archdiocesan charity in your Will or estate plan, please let us know. Through the Legacy Society of the Archdiocese of Toronto, we would like to say a special thank you.

All Legacy Society members are invited to the Annual Legacy Society Lunch & Mass by the Archdiocese of Toronto. They also receive:

- ☐ A hand-crafted cross blessed by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins.
- ☐ A personal letter from Cardinal Collins and a certificate acknowledging your intention. ☐ Invitations to Legacy Society functions and other special events.
- Let your legacy be a testament of your faith! All Legacy Society members have the option of remaining anonymous. If you have any questions, please contact the Development Office at development@archtoronto.org or 416 934 3400 ext. 519.

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Numbers have been reassigned and if you use an old number your donation will not be attributed to your name! 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.

CHURCH/OFFICE HOURS

The church will be open for private prayer during the hours that the office is open. The times are: Tuesdays to Thursdays from 9:00am - 3:00pm & 4:00 pm 8:00pm, Fridays and Sundays from 9:00am - 3:00pm.

THE 55+ CLUB

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm. Stay tuned for a list of upcoming events! For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: 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.

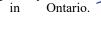
PRAYER INTENTIONS

We now have a prayer binder in the chapel area where you can write your particular prayer intentions. Our morning prayer devotee's will pray for these intentions. You are welcome to join these prayer warriors Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:15am. Prayer books to follow along are available for sale for \$30. "And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have obtained the requests made of him." 1 John 5:15"

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