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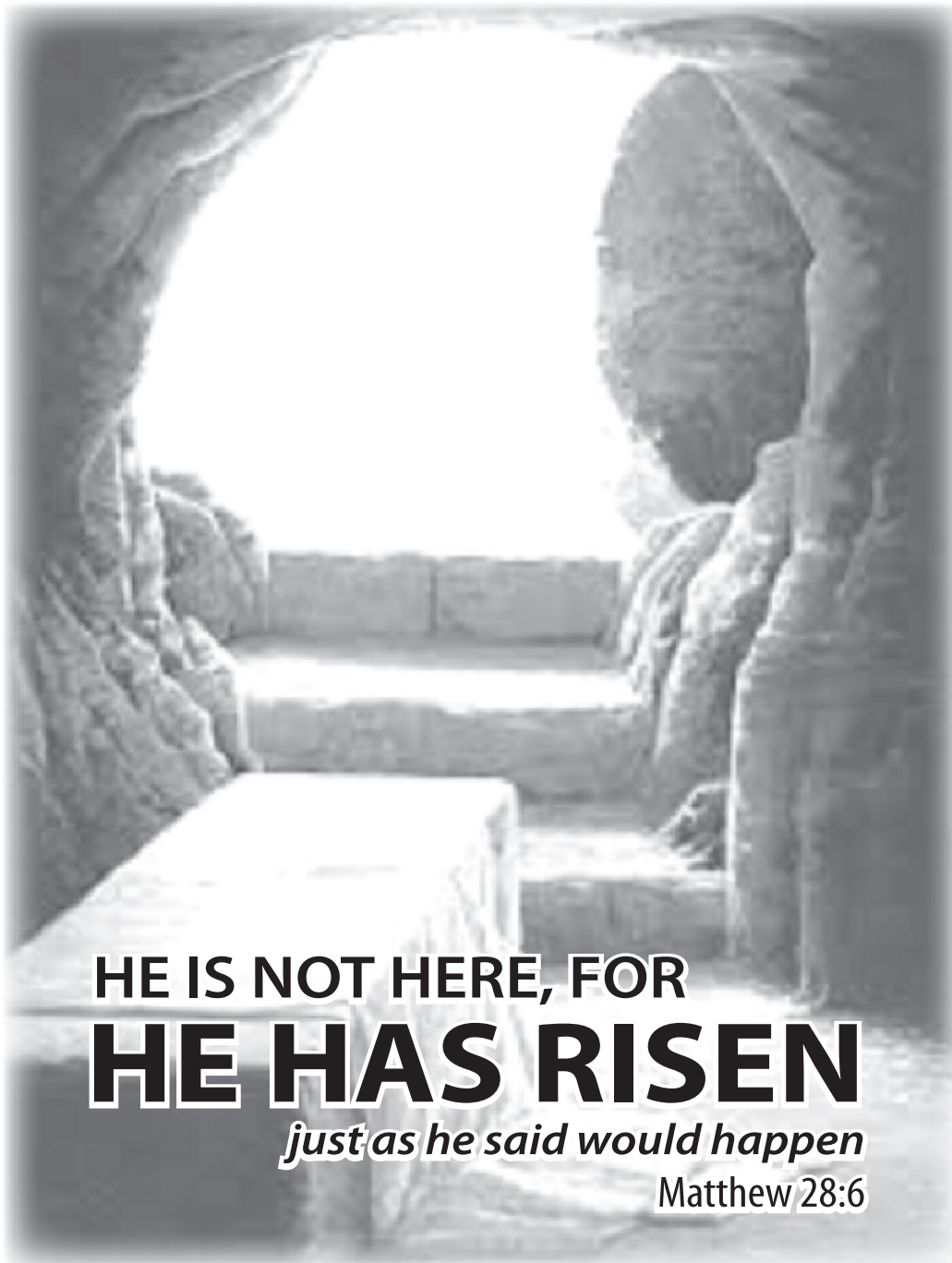
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**HE IS NOT HERE, FOR
HE HAS RISEN**

just as he said would happen

Matthew 28:6

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Mass for the Intentions } Week

MON, APR 1 9:15 am	Rocco, Angela & Antonio Ruso †
7:00 PM	
TUES, APR 2 7:00 pm	Michele Antonio Parente †; Varghese Kannampuzne †; Cicily Varghese †; Denn George †; Matthew & Thresiamma Thekanady †
WED, APR 3 9:15 am	Patricia Okorie †; Vitalis Chilaka †; Dora Vieira †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Everlinda DeVera
7:00 PM	
THUR, APR 4 7:00 pm	Zofia Pilch †; Roshni John †; Otoniel Gonzaga †; Eugenio Scornaienchi †
FRI, APR 5 9:15 am	Honorato Bettencourt †
7:00 PM	Joseph & Maria Pham †; Men Tran †; Deceased members of the Tran family †
SAT, APR 6 9:15 am	
5:00 PM	Maria Fedele Trigiani †; Giuseppe Cammalleri †; Clifford Benjamin Rebello †; In thanksgiving for the 44th anniversary of Oswald & Hazel Colaco
SUN, APR 7 9:00 am	Robert & Margaret Pike & all deceased members †
10:30 am	In thanksgiving - Okorie family; In thanksgiving - Maria Anna Real
12:30 pm	Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Betty Reyes †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Kennedy Williams
8:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

YOUTH MINISTRY EDGE AND LIFE TEEN

Leading Teens Closer to Christ



Edge Nights for grades 6-8,

The first and third Fridays of the month.

Our next Edge Night will be
on April 19th, 7-8:30pm

Life Teen Nights for grades 9-12

The Second and fourth Fridays of the month. Our Next
Life Teen Night will be on April 12th, 7-9 pm

Registration is ongoing, please pick up a
registration form from the church.

For more information email Margaret at
dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com

*To you our praise is due in Zion, O God.
To you we pay our vows, you who hear our prayer.
To you all flesh will come with its burden of sin.
Too heavy for us, our offenses, but you wipe them away.
Blessed is he whom you choose and call to dwell in your courts.
We are filled with the blessings of your house, of your holy temple.
You keep your pledges with wonders, O God our savior, the hope of all
the earth and of far distant isles.
You uphold the mountains with your strength,
you are girded with power.
You still the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves and the tumult of the peoples.
The ends of the earth stand in awe at the sight of your wonders.
The lands of sunrise and sunset you fill with your joy.*

Psalm 68.1-8

It is impossible to fake authentic Easter glory. The Easter liturgy is overflowing with acclamations inviting us to lift our voices in worship; if one is not interiorly so inclined, attempts will surely be paltry. And so, even if one is not swept into the exaltation of Paschal praise, at least to acknowledge with reverence and adoration Our Lord's triumphant victory is within our capability. The venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen aptly stated, "Our Lord died mounted on a Cross, not sitting on a fence." The celebration of Easter Sunday and the ensuing season will urge us to confess that at great cost to himself, Jesus shed his blood in a horrific death, and in so doing has defeated Satan's tyranny for those receptive to the grace of renouncing sin and professing faith in the promises of eternal salvation.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The tomb was empty. In the early morning darkness of that first Easter, there was only confusion for Mary Magdalene and the other disciples. But as the daylight spread, they saw the dawning of a new creation.

At first they didn't understand the Scripture, today's Gospel tells us. We don't know which precise Scripture texts they were supposed to understand. Perhaps it was the sign of Jonah, who rose from the belly of the great fish after three days (see [Jonah 1:17](#)). Or maybe Hosea's prophecy of Israel's restoration from exile (see [Hosea 6:2](#)). Perhaps it was the psalmist who rejoiced that God had not abandoned him to the netherworld (see [Psalm 16:9-10](#)).

Whichever Scripture it was, as the disciples bent down into the tomb, they saw and they believed. What did they see? Burial shrouds in an empty tomb. The stone removed from the tomb. Seven times in nine verses we hear that word—"tomb."

What did they believe? That God had done what Jesus said He would do—raised Him up on the third day.

What they saw and believed they bore witness to, as today's First Reading tells us. Peter's speech is a summary of the gospels—from Jesus' baptism in the Jordan to His hanging on a tree, to His rising from the dead.

We are children of the apostles, born into the new world of their witness. Our lives are now "hidden with Christ in God," as today's Epistle says. Like them, we gather in the morning on the first day of the week—to celebrate the Eucharist, the feast of the empty tomb.

We rejoice that the stones have been rolled away from our tombs, too. Each of us can shout, as we do in today's Psalm: "I shall not die, but live." They saw and believed. And we await the day they promised would come—when we, too, "will appear with Him in glory."

Fr. Roger





2024 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

ShareLife: Embrace Jesus' love and compassion through giving
Jesus' love and example inspire us to extend a helping hand to others, especially those facing the greatest challenges. ShareLife agencies continue to reach out to the most vulnerable members of our community, offering essential services made possible by your compassion and generous contributions. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS!!!

If you have envelopes from previous years throw them out!
If you use envelopes from a previous years your donation will NOT be attributed to your name! If you wish to make a donation to the church please use the pink visitors envelopes and make sure you **write clearly** your full name and address so your donation can be assigned to your name *or pick up a set for this year at the parish office during office hours.*



40TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

Join us in celebrating Fr. Roger's 40th Anniversary of Ordination in an evening full of excitement including dinner and dance gala on Saturday, June 22nd, 2024 at the Europa Convention Centre. Tickets will be on sale in April. Adults \$65 & Children 12 years and under \$55. We will conclude the celebrations with a Mass celebration on Sunday, June 23rd, 2024 at 12:30pm. A reception will follow in the parish hall. We ask everyone to bring finger foods to share.



2024 ALPHA COURSE

Have questions about life, faith & God but do not know where to find answers? *Try Alpha! Reconnect ~ Rediscover ~ Renew ~ Your Faith*

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question, and is designed to create conversation. There's no pressure, no follow-up and no charge; it's just an open, informal, and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. The course is run over ten Wednesday evenings and includes dinner, a short talk and an open discussion with small groups where you can share your thoughts. Introductory session starts: Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30 pm. For information or to Register [required]: Email alphasmdy@gmail.com Alpha has been transforming lives of millions the world over. Come try Alpha.



SMALL GROUP FAITH MINISTRY

"Where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them." (Matthew 18:20) If you would like to apply what you have learned from Scripture, teachings, and practical personal reflection questions, join the SGM. For more details, email Olivia Saqui at screeningcommittee.smdy@gmail.com

CPR YOUTH EVENT



High school, post secondary and Life-long learners please join us for presentations and Q&A on ProLife Responses to today's pressing Life issues. Hear testimonies and ask and learn to answer to all arguments related to abortion and euthanasia in a safe, supportive environment. Free. Lunch provided.

When: Saturday April 13 from 10 am to 2:30pm. Where: St. Mary's Church, Parish Hall, 66A Main St. S, Brampton Register at: trtl.ca/youth-conference

Volunteers Needed!



If you are interested in volunteering at the parish, please email Linda at LYeh@archtoronto.org with the following information:

1. Your first and last name, phone number and email address.
2. Are you an Adult (18+) or Minor (under 18)
3. Which ministry you are interested in.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

MONDAY, APRIL 1ST - 5TH

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH

4:00 pm - Divine Mercy Prayer/Novena
FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH AT 3:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction & Anointing of the Sick



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are holding a spring dinner and dance on Saturday May 4th 2024 at 6:30pm. The event will take place at Caesar's Hall located at 12495 Highway 50, Bolton. The evening will include a four course meal, open bar, prizes and raffles. Tickets are \$110 per person. Proceeds will be used to support local charities and the Knights of Columbus. For more information contact



kofc15612@gmail.com

THE 55+ CLUB

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm. We resume our regular meetings on Tuesday January 9th in the Parish Hall. Wishing you all a New Year filled with God's blessings. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: sandyrob-in22@gmail.com

STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Stitches from the Heart group will resume on Monday January 8, 2024. Everyone is welcome to join us whether you knit or would like to learn. For further information contact Mary at 905-915-8765. Any donation of yarn would be greatly appreciated.

ROSARY APOSTOLATE

Would you like to pray, Mother Mary's most favourable prayer, the Holy Rosary with the children at our schools? The Rosary Apostolate is going back to in person. JOIN US! Training and supplies will be provided. For more information leave a message for Paula at the office.

PARISH BOOK STORE

The Parish bookstore is officially open and will be open on the first and third weekend of every month after all Masses. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Linda at LYeh@archtoronto.org.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary, a world-wide apostolic organization of Catholics, meets every Tuesday: Adults: 6pm and Saturdays at 5pm for the Vietnamese Legion. 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.

SMDY - SUMMER CAMP

For children in grades 1-5

- July 15-19 or
- July 22-26
- 5 day camp \$140
- Camp hours 9am-3pm

(extended care hours available at an extra cost)



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