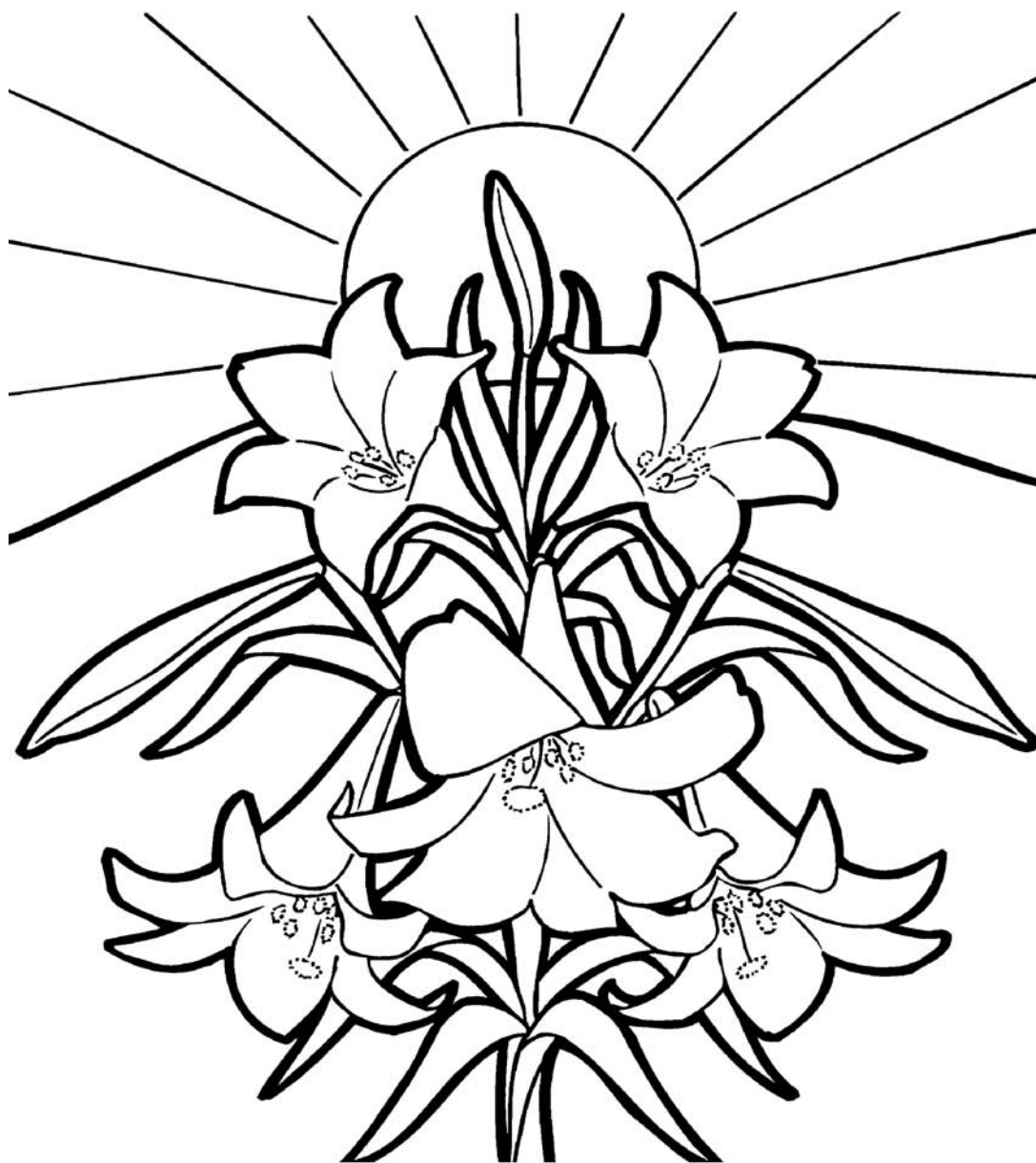


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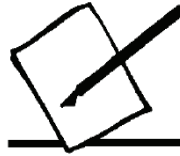


**The Lord has Risen,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Mass Intentions for the Week



Sat Apr 8 8:00	Easter Vigil
Sun Apr 9 9:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
11:00	Multiple Intention Mass
	Valentino Pulla
	Lucia Saccone
	Michael Sirizzotti
	Nicola & Maria Vidulich
	Leonora Mopas
	Int Sam & Andy Webster
Tue Apr 11 8:30	Michael Sirizzotti req Tersigni Family
Wed Apr 12 8:30	Deceased Burke & O'Hara Family Members req Gerry & Lucy Burke
Thur Apr 13 8:30	Multiple Mass Intentions
	Patrick Lehman
	Diego Trotta
	Joan Grant
	Int Jim & Mary McTeague
Fri Apr 14 8:30	Michael Sirizzotti req Umberto & M Magnande
Sat Apr 15 8:30	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary of the People
5:00	Deceased McColgan & Scarff Family Members req Agnes McColgan & Family
Sun Apr 16 9:00	Multiple Intention Mass
	Alice Lecoup
	Michael Sirizzotti
	Patrick Davidson
	Apolonia Michel
	Souls in Purgatory
11:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish



From the Pastor's Desk

TODAY'S GOSPEL: On the first day, after seeing all their hopes dashed, the disciples were confronted with the mystery. The very best they could do was believe in mystery, open themselves to hope that life was not what they thought it was after the Crucifixion. They believed even while they did not understand. Last night we heard the announcement, today we begin the joyful pilgrimage of the Easter season that moves us bit by bit, not only into believing, but into understanding better what this feast means for our lives. Today's liturgy invites us to a bit more humility about God's ever-new creation. Today, let us join Mary and the disciples who believed so firmly that they could accept the fact that they did not understand. Remember, the Easter celebration that begins today is 50 days long.

SHARE LIFE: Show your love by giving to Share Life. Jesus' love for us invites us to give to others, especially those most in need. Share Life agencies continue to support the most vulnerable in our community through services that are only possible through your kind and generous donations. Please give at the parish using a Share Life envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. A blessed Easter to you all!

THANK YOU!: We would like to express our appreciation to all whose help and assistance have made our Holy Week liturgies such prayerful celebrations. We are grateful to our Musicians, Choir Members, Lectors, Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Altar Servers, and Gift Bearers, as well as those others whose behind the scenes work have contributed to the beauty of our church.

ONTARIO SPRING RETREAT FOR DEAF CATHOLICS: April 14th – 16th at Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering, ON. Presenter: Sr. Kathleen Schipani IHM; Chaplain: Fr. Peter Monty SJ. Cost: \$60. Please see poster on bulletin board.

PLANNING A BAPTISM? If you or someone you know are planning to have an infant baptized in our church in May, June or July of 2023, please contact the church office and inquire about our next Baptismal Preparation Session. We ask that couples be **registered** with the parish and that Catholic parent(s) be in **regular attendance** at Sunday Mass.

VOCATIONS: The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters. If you believe God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

ALTAR SERVERS: Are you a young person in Grade Three or above? Have you ever thought about being an Altar Server at our weekend Masses? We would be glad to have your help. Please phone the parish office and/or talk to Fr. Bollo.

STEWARDSHIP: The early disciples witnessed the risen Lord on Easter morning and from there went on to spread the good news of His resurrection to the ends of the earth. They received the gift of Easter, the same gift we receive today. As good stewards, we should not keep this gift for ourselves alone, but seek to share it generously with our parish community.

THE LIGHTER SIDE: Easter Dinner Honesty – A husband and wife hosted an Easter dinner party for their extended family. During the meal, the host's three-year-old daughter kept staring at the man across from her. Her father finally asked her, "Why are you staring at your uncle?" The table got very quiet awaiting her response. The little girl said, "I just want to see him drink like a fish, like Mama told me."

SL ShareLife

PREVIOUS TOTAL	\$ 9,048
COLLECTED THIS PAST WEEK	\$ 3,520
TOTAL COLLECTED TO DATE:	\$ 12,568
PARISH GOAL:	\$ 50,000
PERCENTAGE COLLECTED OF GOAL	25.1 %

TORONTO RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND: Friday, April 21 to Sunday, April 23 at Queen of the Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga. Retrouvaille is for couples whose marriage needs a tune up or even a major overhaul. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples. It is Catholic in origin and outlook but open to people of all faiths. It begins with a weekend experience and continues with a series of follow up sessions. Call: 437-234-5610 or visit: <http://torontoretrovaille.com>.

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP TO OTTAWA: Holy Family Parish is organizing a bus to March For Life in Ottawa on May 11, 2023. Cost of a ticket is \$30 per person. The bus will pick up people at 91 Ribblesdale St. Whitby (Holy Family Parish) at 6:45 a.m. and be back by 9:00 or 9:30 p.m. Please contact Gwen 905-259-8504 or by email address gwenle1990@gmail.com



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday April 18. Mass at 7:00 PM followed by the meeting. **Please note that nominations for the 2023-2024 executive will begin tonight**

ST. MARY OF THE PEOPLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 8611 DONATIONS:

The following donations were made during the period of January 1 2022 to December 31 2022

St. Mary of the People Church	\$8,000.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$6,000.00
St. Vincent Kitchen	\$3,000.00
St. Christopher's School	\$2,250.00
Catholic Family Services	\$2,200.00
Sunrise Youth	\$1,500.00
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Durham Catholic Children's	\$1,000.00
Special Olympics	\$ 500.00
Msgr Paul Dwyer H. S.	\$ 400.00
Denise House	\$ 300.00
Rosalie Hall	\$ 100.00
Pinewood	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
Total	\$26,550.00

WEBSITE: Please check out our website: <https://kofc8611.org>



"FEED THE NEED" – THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to our food drive last month. 354 pounds of food were collected which equals 295 meals. It is still not too late to make a monetary donation. **Any donations made before April 15 will be matched by D&R Custom Steel.** Cheques payable to "Feed The Need." Contact Frances at 905-579-0128 or place marked envelopes in the collection basket.

HEART TO HEART WEBINAR: "Who Me? A Leader?"- Saturday, April 15 at 2 o'clock. Last in the series; hosted by CWL. For the link, phone Joey at 905-576-3386

SPRING FLING CARD PARTY: **Monday, May 15 at 7 o'clock** in the parish hall. Progressive Euchre (optional), prizes & a light lunch. Tickets: \$10.00. Gifts for the Card Party may be left in the box at the Church entrance. Please don't leave cash or gift cards in the box. Contact Joey at 905-576-3386 or Elsa at 905-728-2077.

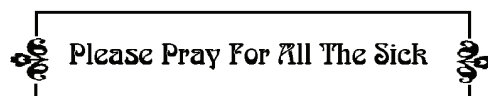
TORONTO DIOCESAN CONVENTION: Mon. April 24 & Tues. April 25 at the Ajax Convention Centre. Registration fee: \$25.00 for one day or \$40.00 for 2 days. Cost of banquet on Tuesday evening: \$38.00. There is no registration fee for attending Mass and banquet only. For further information or to register call Joey at 905-576-3386 before March 31.

St. Mary's CWL executive wishes you a Blessed Easter

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL: St. Paul tells us that if our faith is so strong that we could move mountains but do not have charity, we have nothing. We know that charity is the only way we love God through Jesus Christ by loving our neighbor. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul offers us a way to express our love for neighbor by supporting their mission to serve those in need.

Your support through **poor box** donations at the front entrance of the church is a way to do this. Gifts of \$10.00 or more will be receipted for income tax purposes. Place your donation in an envelope marked **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**. Remember to include your **full name and address** so a receipt can be prepared and sent to you at year-end. **The Poor Box offers us an opportunity to love Jesus Christ by helping those in need!**

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