

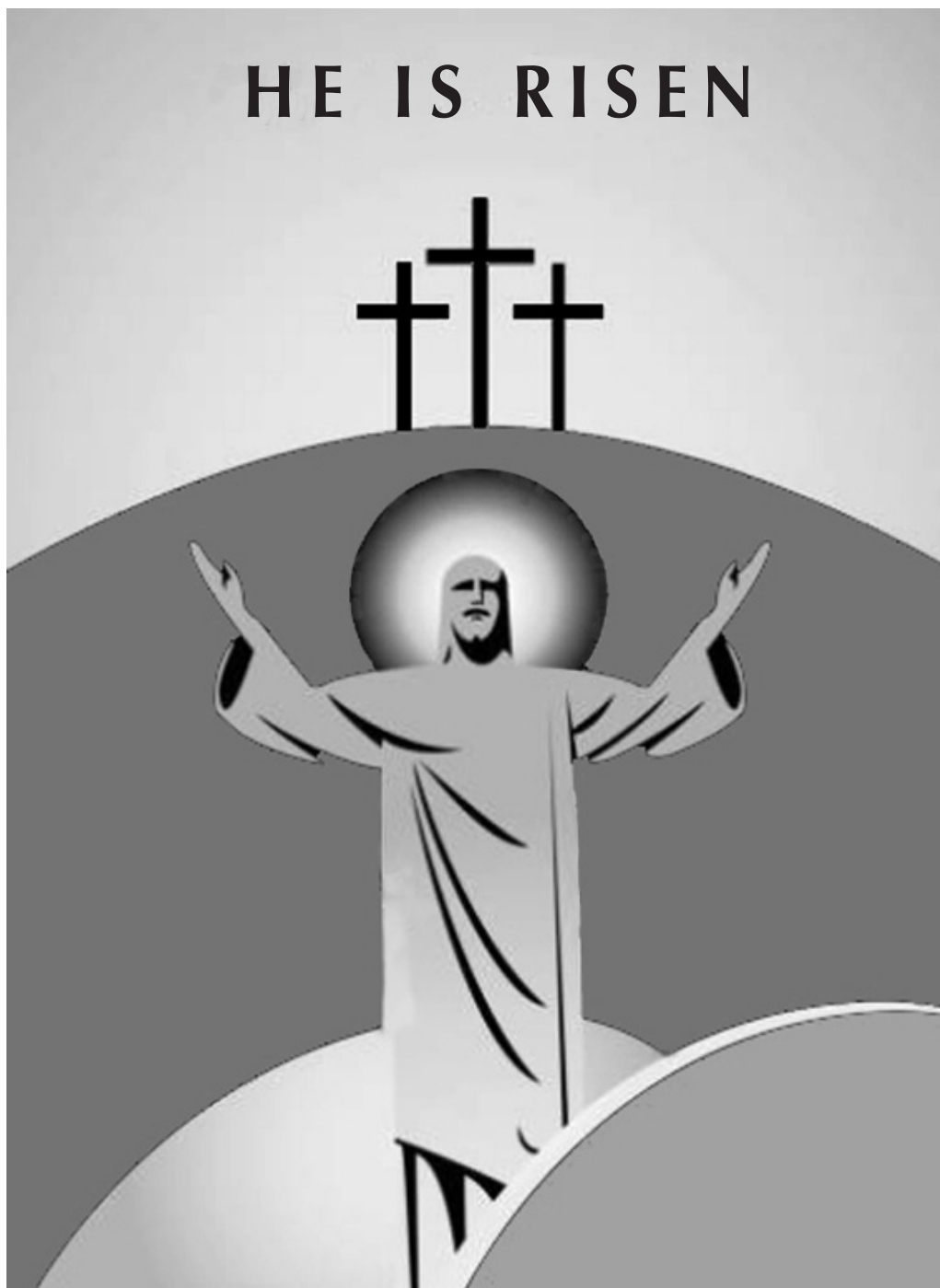
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 4th – Holy Saturday

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 5th – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

9:00 a.m. All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

11:00 a.m. All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

Tuesday, April 7th

8:30 a.m. + Richard Krajcarski req by family

7:00 p.m. Living and deceased members of CWL especially
Anne Scholtes

Wednesday, April 8th

8:30 a.m. + Annie Novak req by Justa Matasic

Thursday, April 9th

8:30 a.m. + Vito Grazio De Ligio

+ Rosario Chan

Souls in Purgatory

Friday, April 10th

8:30 a.m. (Int) Kathleen Treacy req by family

Saturday, April 11th

8:30 a.m. (Int) Maureen & David Webster req by Webster
family

5:00 p.m. All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

Sunday, April 12th – Sunday of Divine Mercy

9:00 a.m. + Domenic, Adelina, Pasquale Rua req by Frank
and family

11:00 a.m. Deceased members of Rosati family

+ Lucia Saccone

+ Nicola Saccone

+ Maria & Nicola Vidulich

+ Frank Zochodre

+ Bert Dessailly

Souls in Purgatory

(Int) Domenico & Lina Pepe 70th Anniversary

LET US PRAY

For all the those who are sick in our parish community:

Terence Floyd Lucio & Carmen Flores Sue Tremblay
Catherine Wood

For the Recently Deceased:

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL FOR PRIEST IN CRISIS

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocations, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

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 www.vocationstoronto.ca

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The great feast of Easter has begun. Let us rejoice and fully embrace the joy of this season.

In the Acts of the Apostles, St. Peter reminds us that Christ has commissioned us to preach and testify that through Him we receive forgiveness of sins. We do this not only with words, but through the way we live our daily lives.

By using our time, talent, and treasure for God and placing Him and others first, our lives become a powerful witness to the Resurrection.

As Christian stewards, let us rejoice in this miracle of love and make our lives a joyful testimony to the grace of the risen Lord.

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! *We extend to you our heartfelt wishes for a joyful and blessed Easter. May the light of the Risen Christ fill your hearts and homes with peace, hope, and abundant grace throughout this holy season.*

~ Pastoral Team

PARISH LIFE

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Today, we will have second collection for our Building Fund. This collection is taken up once a month for the physical needs of our parish.

EASTER MONDAY: The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 6th and will re-open on Tuesday, April 7th at our regular scheduled time. ***Happy Easter!***

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION: April 11th at 11:00am

CONFIRMATION: Session #6, Thursday, April 16th at 6:00pm.

FORMED.ORG: Discover something meaningful for the whole family this Easter with **FORMED.ORG!** From inspiring movies and Bible studies to children's programs and faith-filled series, there's truly something for everyone—right from the comfort of your home. ***Subscribe today—it's free for our parishioners!***

PLANNING FOR BAPTISM AND WEDDING? Please contact the parish office or visit our website for detail on baptism and wedding. We ask that weddings be booked a minimum of one year in advance.

You're Invited to a
SPAGHETTI DINNER
Saturday, April 11

Hosted by the **Russo Family** and **St. Mary's Knights of Columbus!** Join us on **Saturday, April 11 at 6:00 PM.** This special event is held in loving memory of Domenic Russo. All proceeds will support the Knights of Columbus and St. Mary of the People Parish.

Tickets: \$60 per person

Where to buy: Available in the church lobby after all weekend Masses or by calling the parish office during weekdays.



ST. MARY'S VOLUNTEERS

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 Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Gift Bearers, IT ministry, and Altar Guilds,** as well as the **Twelve Apostles.** Thank you!

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2026

Wishing you a blessed Easter from ShareLife

This Easter Sunday, we hold gratitude for the Lord Jesus, our saviour; and for you who brings the hands of Christ to our brothers and sisters in need. We witness how you live the Gospel wholeheartedly, opening your heart to the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized. It is through your love that our family of faith is strengthened. We wish you and your loved ones a blessed and peaceful Easter, blooming with hope. The **second ShareLife Sunday** of the year is **April 26**. Thus far we have raised **\$15,519** toward our goal of **\$65,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

ATTENTION: GRADE 12 GRADUATES OF MSGR. PAUL DWYER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



St. Mary's Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus present awards to graduates every year. Applicants must be members of this parish who plan to pursue post-secondary education after graduation. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship from either the Knights of

Columbus or the CWL, kindly address a letter, please state your future goals including, whether you are planning to attend college or university, your report card average, details or your **involvement in your parish** (*sacraments, church attendance, capacity and duration of any contributions*), details regarding your contribution to your school and community. **Letters are due to the parish office no later than May 1, 2026.**

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ROOM IS OPEN AFTER WEEKEND MASSES

There are many lost items at religious articles. Please check you're your lost gloves, glasses, hats, etc. There is also red Missal. All items will be donated in the next few weeks. Check after weekend Masses or call Joey 905-576-3386 or 905 439-904

A DAY WITH MARY



You are invited to a "Day With Mary" taking place on **Saturday, May 30, 2026 at Villanova College in King City**. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults and children's catechesis for the

little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register – this is a free event open to all. **Registration will open from April 8 until May 15:** <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>. Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday, April 7 - Mass at 7 o'clock. Prior to the meeting: the "Red Sand Project" a Human Trafficking Awareness Event, held outside the church. **Last chance to purchase April 28th banquet tickets.**

"FEED THE NEED" DRIVE: weekend of April 12 – Items requested: tuna, salmon, peanut butter, pasta sauce, canned veggies, cereal, pancake mix and syrup. **Cash donations welcome.** Contact Frances at 905-579-1028.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ciaran Doyle of St. Christopher School who won the Toronto CWL Diocesan Public Speaking Contest. Ciaran's topic was "English Spelling Rules."



Monday, April 20 at 7 o'clock in the parish hall. Progressive Euchre (optional), prizes & a light lunch. **Doors open at 6:30 p.m.** 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 Elsa at 905-728-2077.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Mary of the People Conference

Our volunteers here at St. Mary's consists of 5 teams of 2 people. Each team is currently helping **Neighbours in Need** on a rotation basis that happens for 15 days at a time once every 2.5 months. We are always looking for more volunteers. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please call the parish office 905-728-2212.

Total Families on file that request help: 127
Total Adults on file that request help: 182
Total Children on file that request help: 202

During the month of January and February our visits consisted of helping our **Neighbours in Need** as follows:

	Cards Distributed	Families Helped	Adult	Children
Jan.	220 (\$4,400)	35	62	65
Feb.	197 (\$3,940)	44	70	58

Your generous support in the Poor Boxes makes this possible. Donations can also be made by placing an envelope in the church offertory basket marked SVDP and please include your Name and complete address to receive a charitable tax receipt. Without your ongoing support, we could not continue this outreach to the needy in our parish. *St. Mary of the People – Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference thank you immensely for your support.*

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Mary's Senior Residence is looking for **Part-Time Back Up Superintendent** – approx. 10 days per month. Please contact the office at (905) 436-1794

TORONTO MARCH FOR LIFE - Saturday, May 23, 2026

This is free even and open to all ages and will consist of a peaceful gathering, a walk of solidarity throughout the streets of Downtown Toronto concluding with a series of workshops. The Early Bird deadline for the workshops closes on Friday, April 23.

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