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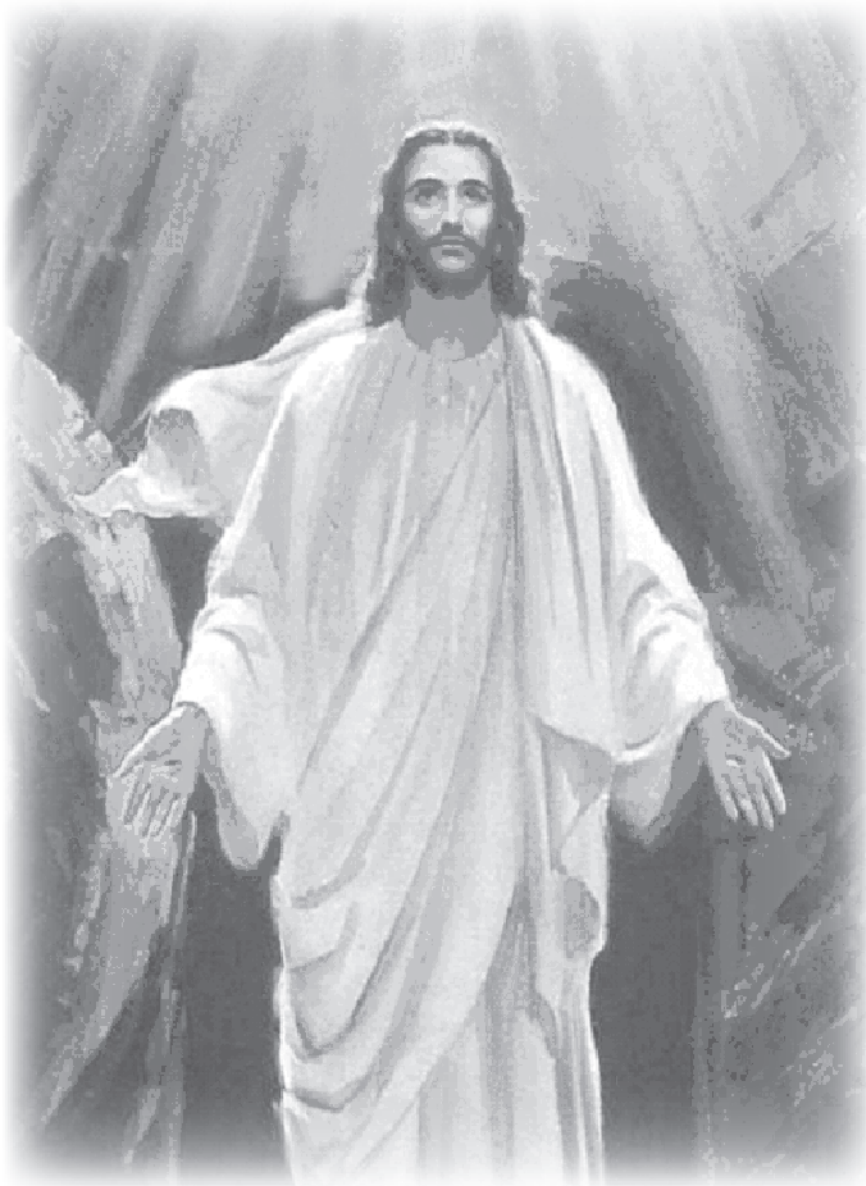
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Father George Parayil - Pastor

Deacon Gary Thibodeau - Deacon Assistant

Deacon Curtis Boone - Deacon Assistant



Christ is Risen!

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION



Sat. Mar. 30

7:30pm – Easter Vigil

Sun. Mar. 31

8:00am – +Aldo D'Orazio

9:15am – For the People of the Parish

10:30am – +Gloria and +Manuel Rolo, +Joao Rolo, +Thomas Ferreiro

12:00pm – +Giovanna D'Agrosa

Mon. Apr. 1

9:00am –

Tues. Apr. 2

9:00am – +Rosalinda Simbulan

Wed. Apr. 3

7:00pm – +Enzo Morgani, +Francesco and +Esterina Morgani, +Loretta and +Christina Di Biase, +Mario Di Genova, +Giovanna Retico, +Butram Lawrence. +Maria and Giuseppa Basile, Blessed Sacrament

Thurs. Apr. 4

9:00am – +Adriana Pearson

Fri. Apr. 5

9:00am – For the Deceased Members of the Virgilio and Romanelli Families

7:00pm - +Butram Lawrence

Feast Days This Week

Mon. Apr. 1 – Easter Monday

Offertory Collection

Mar. 24, 2024

Sunday Collection

\$12,749.75

Thank you for your continuous support!

Website Prayer Line – Our parish receives many prayer requests per day from people all over the world who are in need of urgent prayer. These prayer requests are given to our parishioners who volunteer to pray for these requests. If you wish to be added to the prayer line, please visit our website at www.stpp.church to complete the prayer request form or email the parish office at stpadrepio@archtoronto.org

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Easter Monday

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am on Monday, April 1, there will be no evening mass. The church will be closed following mass.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Sun. April 7 is Divine Mercy Sunday. We will have a Special Celebration beginning at 2:30pm on Sunday afternoon beginning with the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by a Special mass at 3:00pm.



The Housekeepers of the Lord of St.

Padre Pio are seeking volunteers who are available to help clean the church. The group of volunteers meet on Tuesdays following the 9:00am. If you feel called to help in this ministry please contact the parish office.

Easter Sunday: Resurrection of the Lord **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.

Thus far we have raised **\$13,037.70** toward our goal of **\$87,800.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Baptism

We offer our congratulations to the parents of the children baptized in March:

Chiara Calabretta, Matteo Xavier Bortoluzzi Galka, Elowen Brianne Simnett, Gessica Aquino, Seiya Yuki Williams, Zaryah Alexandra Williams, Augustus Nicholas Caluori, Valentina Filomena Gauci, Arianna Sofia Rinaldi



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Tax Receipt.

RCIA

At the Easter Vigil, our catechumens,

Aaron Ayers, Kimleang Chak, Sadad Dur-I, Ryan Hurdman, Nguyen Thi Kim Truong were Baptized and received their First Communion and the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Joshua Andrew Ferraro
Received into the Catholic Church

Sarah Elizabeth Diaz
Received the Sacrament of Confirmation

Yamso Stivens Gomez,
Received the Sacrament of Baptism

We offer them our congratulations and welcome them as members of our Parish Community.

First Friday

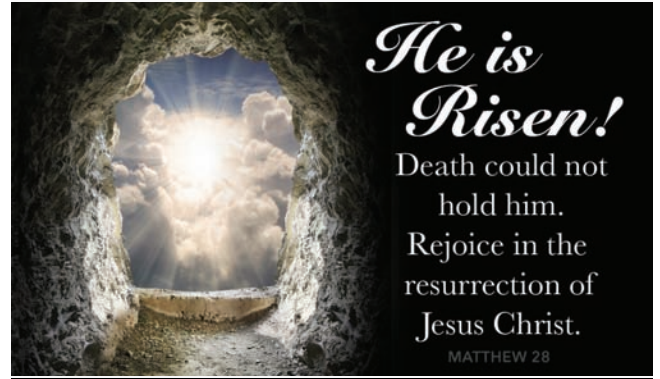
Friday, April 5 is the First Friday of the month. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am, followed by the Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Eucharistic Adoration will be available for personal prayer time until 6:30pm with Benediction, followed by the 7:00pm Mass.

"Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest". (Mt 11:28)

An Hour with Jesus

Can you spend an hour with Jesus? What would you talk about? Come and find out. Beginning at 6:00pm on every first Friday the month, you can come and spend an hour with Jesus in praise and worship music, meditation, reflection and adoration – all in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. At the heart of Eucharistic Adoration is our Lord Jesus Christ – so come and spend some time with him. No formal prayer is needed. Just a willingness to meet with Jesus. People of all ages are welcome to attend, to sing, praise and have a dialogue with Jesus straight from their hearts.

A Special Thank You to all those who helped make our Holy Week celebrations so beautiful – Our Choirs, Soloists, Musicians, Liturgical Dancers, Lectors, Ministers of Communion, Ushers, Altar Servers, the RCIA team, Banner Bearers, Knights of Columbus, CWL, The Youth of our parish, all those who helped in any way. Also, a very special thank you to Longo's for their very generous donations of all the Easter flowers.



A Message from Fr. George

As the family Jesus, we gather this Sunday and every Sunday — just as his apostles used to do, just as Christians have done every Sunday since that first Easter. We gather to celebrate his Resurrection. That's what every Eucharist is! A feast of the Resurrection. Just as his apostles did, we eat and drink with Jesus who has risen from the dead. We share in this bread and wine, and we have communion in his Body and Blood. And Jesus gives each of us a mission, my brothers and sisters. The same mission he gave to his apostles. To be witnesses to his Resurrection. We have to run and tell others what we believe. That his tomb is empty! That because Jesus Christ is alive, we can know true joy and happiness in our lives. Jesus makes all things new by his rising from the dead.

So let's make this Easter a new day for each one of us, a new beginning. Let's live our lives with joy! Let's be more grateful, every single

day, for God's tender mercies in our lives.

Let's get up every morning, and try to be less selfish. To serve our brothers and sisters with love and to tell the whole world that Jesus Christ is alive! I wish all of you and your families Easter blessings! Blessed are you who believe in his Resurrection!

Yours Truly,

Fr. George Parayil

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