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Tuesday 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Wednesday & Friday 9:30am - 3:00pm

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

## WEEKDAY MASSES

**Monday 12:00pm**

Tuesday 7:00pm

Wednesday 9:00am

**Thursday 8:30am**

Friday 9:00 am

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday from 9:30 – 10:30

Friday 9:30am – 4:00pm

## EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Friday 4:00pm – 5:00pm

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 am to 10:30 am

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Welcome Committee

Youth Ministry

## Resurrection of the Lord Easter Sunday

“This is the day the Lord has made; let us  
rejoice and be glad.”

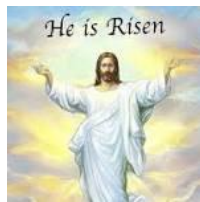
Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### FR. SILVA'S EASTER MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Lord,

A blessed and joyful Easter to you all! May the Risen Christ dwell richly in your hearts, your homes, and throughout our parish community.

At the center of our faith is the profound mystery that Jesus Christ, took on our human nature, walked among us, suffered, and gave His life on the Cross for our salvation. On the third day, He rose in glory, and He remains present with us always.



We give thanks to God for the precious gift of faith that enables us to profess the Creed. I keep in prayer those who have grown distant from the Church, that they may be drawn back by the merciful and abiding love of the Risen Lord.

I am especially grateful to each of you for your help and generous contributions to the needs of our parish and community.

Let us rejoice this Easter season, for in Christ we have passed from death to life; we who were once lost have been found in Him.

May God bless you abundantly!

Fr. Silva.

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

On **April 12<sup>th</sup>**, please join us for our Holy Hour with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at **2:30 – 3:30 p.m.** You may wish to attend the Sacrament of Confession on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. prior.

### WEEKLY DONATIONS – March 30<sup>th</sup> 2026

• Total Donations -	\$ 3,882.00
• Weekly Offertory.	\$ 3,057.00
• ShareLife	\$ 825.00

### UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

**April 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>** – ShareLife

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>** - Maintenance Fund



### I.C. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY GROUP

#### Upcoming Events

- Coffee Sunday – April 19<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### Upcoming Events

- Executive Meeting – April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.
- General Meeting – April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (Sacred Heart)

### ANNUAL PARISH YARD SALE, SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

This annual fundraiser will be held again this year on **Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. Trailers will be placed in the parking lot beginning Mid-April where your donated items will be gratefully received. During your spring cleaning please keep the sale in mind!!

### RESTORE HIS HOUSE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Our capital campaign continues to move steadily toward the halfway point of our fundraising goal, with nearly \$309,000 pledged and donated. We are deeply grateful for the generosity shown so far. As we continue this important work, we invite everyone to prayerfully consider making a donation, pledge or a legacy gift by including the parish in your will or estate planning. Every contribution brings us closer to renewing our spiritual home.

### NIGHT BITE SOCIAL

Small Plates • Crafted Drinks • Dancing & Community

Our parish community will soon gather for Night Bite Social on **Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**. This lively evening will feature a variety of chef-prepared small plates served across four distinct food stations throughout the night. Guests will enjoy a mix of artisan grazing selections, savoury sliders, globally inspired bites and sweet treats, designed for a relaxed, social experience with plenty of movement and variety.

Along with crafted drinks, music, dancing and special professional dance entertainment, this promises to be a vibrant and welcoming night for all. If you enjoyed the warm atmosphere of the Mexican Fiesta, this will be another wonderful opportunity to reconnect with fellow parishioners and welcome new friends. Tickets are limited to 125 guests. All proceeds support the *Restore His House* Capital Campaign.

### PRAYING FOR OUR PEOPLE

Kim Smith, Teresa Louvelle, Christopher Dupont, Fred Jennings, Veronica Kirk, Patricia Reilly, James Albert, Juan Diego Jimenez Mendez, Jade Biffin, John Brock, Joyce and Henry Janssen, Michelle O'Connor, Joseph Taillon



### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following parishioners who celebrated a wedding anniversary during the month of March:

Edward and Catherine Giacca (38 years)  
Frank Morris and Gail Johnson Morris (33 years)  
Richard and Cathy Mouffier (23 years)

Please note that March birthdays and anniversaries will be acknowledged after each Mass on April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

There is a sign-up sheet for April wedding anniversaries located on the bulletin board by the side door entrance.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

**Upcoming Classes:** April 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>

### CONFIRMATION

**Upcoming Classes:** April 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

**Upcoming Dates:**

- **9:00 a.m. Mass** – May 10<sup>th</sup>, June 14<sup>th</sup>
- **11:00 a.m. Mass** – April 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, May 31<sup>st</sup>, June 14<sup>th</sup>, June 28<sup>th</sup>

### YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM

Our next Youth Ministry Program for students in grades 7-12. will take place on **Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** in the parish hall from **5:00 – 7:00 p.m.** If your child is new and would like to join, you can register by calling or emailing the parish office.

### PASTORAL REFERENCE LETTER FOR TEACHERS

Teachers seeking pastoral reference letters for employment with a Catholic school board are reminded that you must be a practicing Catholic. Any requests need to be made to Fr. Silva one year in advance.

### SHARELIFE

**Wishing you a blessed Easter from ShareLife.**

This Easter Sunday, we hold gratitude for the Lord Jesus, our Saviour; and for you who bring 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<sup>th</sup>**. Thus far we have raised **\$7,801.00** toward our goal of **\$31,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### HELP NOT HARM CANADA

**Help Not Harm: Take Action to Support Bill C-218**  
**Write your Member of Parliament Today! Visit**  
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You're invited to visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act), which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

### ELECTRONIC PARISH BULLETIN

We now have the facility to have the weekly parish bulletin sent directly to your email. Help us reduce our printing costs and redirect the money to a worthy cause. Please follow the link below:

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<https://immaculateconceptionpo.archtoronto.org/en/contactus/sign-up/>

### **Instructions:**

<https://immaculateconceptionpo.archtoronto.org/sites/ssets/bulletins/parish-e-bulletin-sign-upinstructions.pdf>

### PARISH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Office Open** – Monday – **Closed for Easter Monday**

Tuesday – 1:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday – 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**ROSARY TO PRECEDE EVERY MASS BY 30 MINUTES.**

#### **Weekday Masses**

Monday – **12:00 p.m.**

Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - 9:00 a.m.

Adoration - 9:30 -10:30 a.m.

Thursday – **8:30 a.m.**

Friday – 9:00 a.m.

Adoration – 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Holy Hour - Friday - 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena - Saturday 9:25 a.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Saturday 9:30 a.m.

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

### MASS INTENTIONS – Week of April 5<sup>th</sup>

**Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

**12:00 p.m. Mass**

**Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. Mass

**Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Mass – +Margaret McCormack

Req. by Bernard McCormack

**Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30 a.m.**

**Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Mass - +Anthony and Hermine Wekerle

Req. by Carolyn and Danny Morassut

**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. - Intentions of the Parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of the Sick

Req. by George Basmaji

11:00 a.m. Mass - +Augustino Puglisevich

Req. by Mario & Bernadette Puglisevich

11:00 a.m. Mass - +Charles Biffin

Req. by Don & Jean Biffin



**Message for Easter**  
**5 April 2026**  
**His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo**  
**Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto**

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Praised be Jesus Christ. Happy and Holy Easter to you.

Holy Mother Church celebrates with the greatest joy ever the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Striving to live our faith sincerely and as loyal, loving and engaged sons and daughters of God and of the Church, we are called and drawn into the experience of Easter Sunday which renews our hope and changes our lives by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Paschal Mystery we celebrate invites us to consider the glory of the Resurrected Christ and in this mystery, we rejoice not only that Christ is truly alive and remains present in our lives today and in that of the Church, but also that our Heavenly Father has been faithful to his promise, he who from all eternity desired to gather his children into communion through his Son. At the beginning of Lent, I encouraged us to look beyond ourselves – to seek reconciliation with God and with one another, and to rediscover the essential place of community in God’s saving plan (CCC 759-760). We must never forget that the Paschal Mystery is not only the remembrance of Christ’s Passion, Death, and Resurrection – those historical events that took place a long time ago and far away – this mystery is the very pattern of all Christian life and forms who we are.

Our Lord’s Death and Resurrection are not simply events of the past; they are the living form of the Church’s existence. As you may remember, before the Resurrection, the disciples were scattered, fearful, and locked away. After the Resurrection, they are transformed, those fleeing to Emmaus return to Jerusalem, and those locked away in fear eventually venture out to the ends of the earth to proclaim the Good News. The Resurrection does not eliminate the journey of life with its trials and uncertainties; rather, it gives the journey its meaning, purpose, new hope and new dynamism. In the same way, the difficulties we experience – personally and communally – are not magically erased.



Tensions, conflicts, scarcity, injustice, and uncertainty remain real; yet in the light of Easter, they are transformed. They become moments of discernment and grace because the Risen Christ walks with us.

When we lose someone we love or suffer a major setback - a relationship that has ended - a job opportunity that did not pan out - an illness that has come up or persists, or the anxiety that afflicts so many of us, especially the young – the temptation, in these situations, is to retreat, to isolate, to want to be alone, to run away. The Good News of the Resurrection is that Jesus came for us and is present to us and wants to help us precisely in those very dark and seemingly hopeless circumstances. When the Apostles were broken down thinking he was gone forever, Mary Magdalene announced to them the great news: he is alive. When the Disciples of Emmaus were discouraged, disillusioned and walked away from the community, Jesus came to them and filled them with new hope and opened for them incredible horizons.

Each of us has a story to tell, a sacred story to share. Each of our existential narratives are marked by light and shadows. But the author of our lives will never let us go through our hardships alone. The Power of the Resurrection is available to us today. The possibility of a new life is in our reach; the boundless energy of transforming grace is at our fingertips; the consolation and comfort of the Holy Spirit is but a prayer away; the second chances, and third and fourth which we really need, are part and parcel of God's merciful plan. There is nothing to fear; there is endless love, endless hope in this life, endless light into which we are called. The Resurrection of Christ points to the renewal of our daily lives as well as to that day, one day, the last day, when we will be called to enter the fulness of life in eternity. May that eternity begin here and now, in our families and communities, by a daily decision to live out the Catholic faith with greater commitment, outstanding generosity, abundant virtue and authentic holiness.

Blessed Easter Season to you and your loved ones. Christ is Risen – truly he is Risen.

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