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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia Dear parishioners,

We have come to another joyous celebration of the great feast of Easter. Christ is risen! Christ has overcome death! Christ has triumphed over sin, suffering, and darkness! As Christians, this should always be the foundation of our faith and the source of our hope. Easter comes every year, and, in fact, each Sunday of the year is like a "mini"-Easter. We are thus constantly reminded of the Resurrection of Jesus. Rather than allowing ourselves to become desensitized to this awesome reality, let us do our best to renew our enthusiasm and keep our faith enkindled.

One of the ways to do this, of course, is to have the great seasons of Lent and Easter each year. So many of the prayers and rituals of the Lenten season helped us to focus on the suffering and death of Jesus. Now that we have come to the Easter season, we turn our thoughts more to the fact the Jesus has overcome all of that darkness.

It is a message that never ceases to be relevant. As much as the times seem to change, as much as technology progresses and as much as our world seems to differ from week to week, basic human nature never quite changes. People seek happiness. People seek fulfillment. People look for answers and solutions to the problems and suffering that life always seem to bring. Perhaps most importantly, the harsh reality of death will never be something that we human beings, on our own, can avoid.

The Easter message, then, goes right to the heart of the human experience. The life, death and resurrection of Jesus are not events that are irrelevant to our daily experiences. Jesus entered directly into human history, he took upon himself the often harsh and messy reality of human experience, yet overcame it be turning the Cross into a great act of self-sacrifice. The Resurrection is the great triumph of God over everything that makes us feel helpless.

The Church has a beautifully way of expressing this: "In the face of death, the Church confidently proclaims that God has created each person for eternal life and that Jesus, the Son of God, by his death and resurrection, has broken the chains of sin and death that bound humanity".



Mon. April 21st

12:05 pm:

For the Intentions of Kateri Ryan Robert William Gridley + Deceased Members of the Katigbak Family

Tues. April 22nd

12:05 pm: Luciano Tecson +

Wed. April 23rd

12:05 pm: **Edna Pastoral +** Thurs. April 24th

12:05 pm: Mary & Harry Keane +

Fri. April 25th

12:05 pm: Romeo A. Lopez +

Sat. April 26th

5:00 pm: Filomena De Lima +

Sun. April 27th

12:00 pm: Maria Izaura Cezarina & Constancio

Gonsalves +

Antonetta Pereira +

Readings for Second Sunday of Easter DIVINE MERCY Sunday, April 27^{th,} 2025

1st Reading: Acts 5.12-16

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 118,2-4, 22-24, 25-27a **Second Reading:** Revelation 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-

19

Gospel: John 20.19-31

UPCOMING EVENT

Holy Name School Mass - Wednesday, April 23rd – 9:15 am

We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the homebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers. "Lord surround them with your healing and steadfast love." especially

Ivan Raspor, Kateri Ryan, Darryl Smart, Carl
Wilcox, G. Pitrolo, Ann Gilbride, Paul Ryan, Sherry
MacEachern, Daniel Giles, Mae Bradley, Jaden
Babcock, Valrie Lashley and Maria Jose Bouey.



Welcome to Our Parish Family Baptized Sunday, April 20th, 2025

Franzelle Artemis Luna Go daughter of Vanz & Ystela



The First Communion classes for children in grade 2 and up will be starting on May 3 and May 4. If for some reason, you did not register your child in this program please go to parish website holynameto.archtoronto.org to get form, fill in form and return to Holy Name Parish office with baptismal certificate. The Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held on Saturday, June 21 at 11 am.

This is a six week program and the booklet is \$25.

SL ShareLife

Thank you for being a beacon of hope.

On Easter Sunday, we thank you for being a beacon of hope for our brothers and sisters in need by supporting ShareLife. In their darkest hours, you are right beside them. As we rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord this Easter Sunday, let us open our hearts to all.

Thus far we have raised \$11,025.00 toward our goal of \$51,500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate

Welcome to Our Parish Family



Sacraments of Initiation April 19, 2025

Evans Antwi Alvine Melanie Ble Grace Birungi Busurwa Whitney Rose Ellis Ardan Pele Kiama Stacy-Ann Isheka Morgan Rachel Robertson Jacqueline Yvonne Zurborg

Rite of Reception - Profession of Faith

Brayden Bell Armias Fesseha Gebreanenya

Sacrament of Baptism

Mathew Alexander Kasule Nkinzi Tebandeke Junju Tebandeke

Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion & Confirmation

Anders Cooper Zurborg Mones

Sacrament of First Communion

Beatrix McKenna Madeleine McKenna Duncan McKenna Xander Scott

Sacrament of Confirmation

Vanessa Rose Labate Andres Le Calvez Sanchez Sebastian Scott Alistair Scott

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