

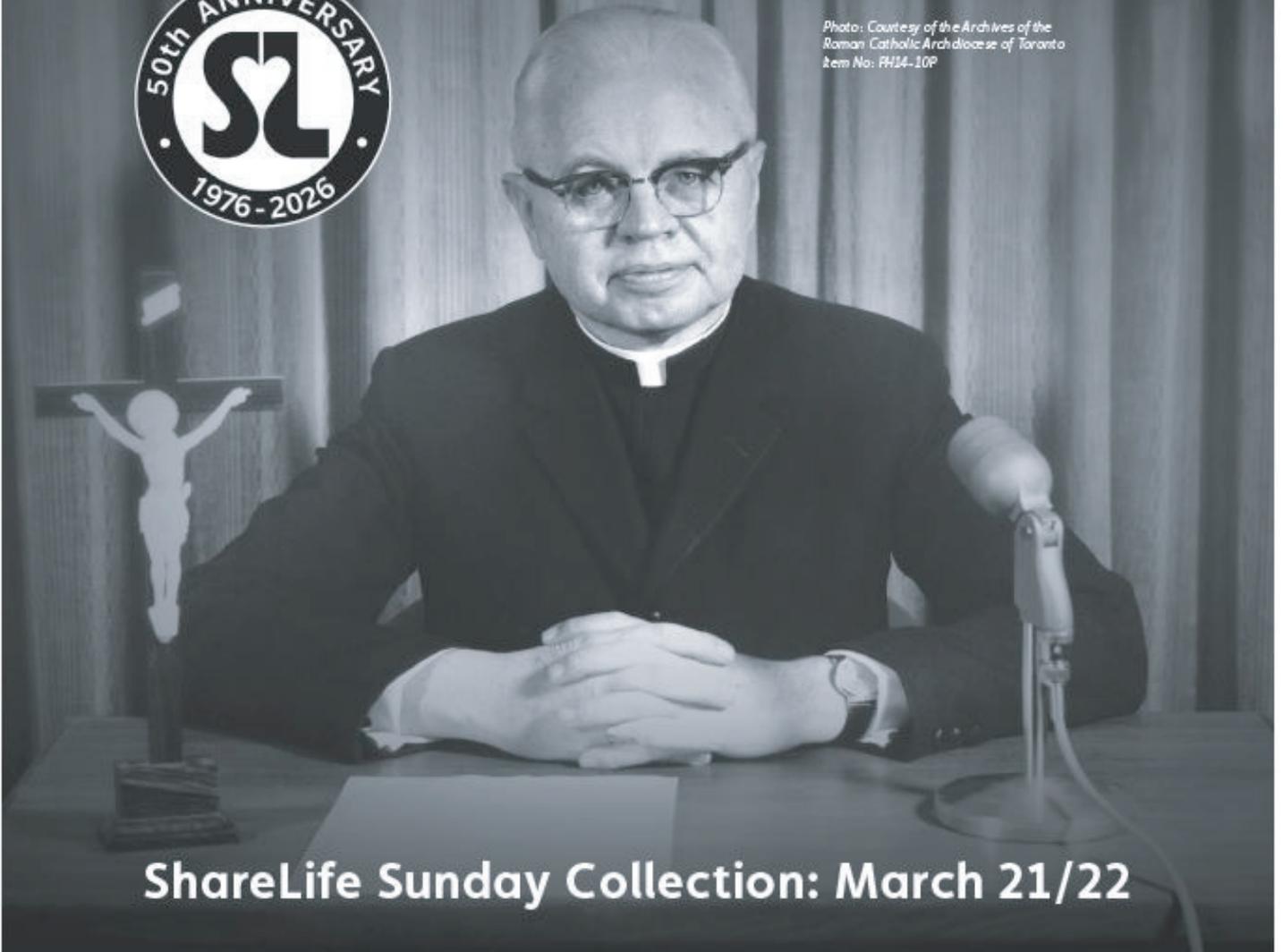
# Living the Gospel



"We believe that every human being is unique and priceless. We hold that human life must be respected at every stage of its development from the first mysterious moment of conception to the declining days of advanced age."

– Archbishop Philip Francis Pocock,  
A Declaration on Behalf of Life, March 19, 1976

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Dear parishioners,

What a wonderful celebration we had last weekend for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dedication of our parish church. The week before, I had mentioned to the kindergarten class at Holy Name School that it is like celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of our church building. They were fascinated, and this is very much what took place. I think we all experienced the same kind of joyful celebration that a 100<sup>th</sup> birthday usually brings. We are all so thankful to so many people who volunteered their time and talents. There was a lot of work and preparation done before the day, throughout the day, and well into the evening and beyond. We express our appreciation to those who were a part of the reception committee, the decorators, the “food-makers” and the “food-bringers”, those who helped to set up the hall and those who assisted in cleaning afterward. For the Mass, we thank the choirs, conductors, and musicians; our lectors, ushers, and altar servers; the “Mamas” from our African community who brought the beautiful baskets in procession; and all of the other volunteers who helped in various ways. Many people expressed how great it was that both communities came together to organize and to celebrate in such a meaningful way. In his homily, Cardinal Leo referenced a document from John Paul II, entitled *Novo Millennio Ineunte*, in which the saintly pope encourages us to “remember the past with gratitude, to live the present with enthusiasm and to look forward to the future with confidence”. Those words were written in the year 2000, as the entire Church prepared to enter the third millennium. As we here at Holy Name now begin the second century in the beautiful sacred building that houses us as a community of faith, we should take the same approach—gratitude, enthusiasm, and confidence.

It seems fitting that we begin this second century at this particular time of the year. Despite the lingering winter, spring is around the corner, signalling the return of light, warmth, and life. This is accompanied by the upcoming feast of Easter, the grand celebration of Christ’s victory over death and darkness.

As all of these events come together, let us try to renew our commitment to the faith that inspired our ancestors a century ago, and continue to make Holy Name a powerful beacon of hope to our city.

Fr. Eric

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Mon. March 23rd  
12:05 pm: **Special Intention**  
**Mark Chignell +**  
**For the Intentions of Sr. Marguerite Uy**
- Tues. March 24th  
12:05 pm: **Marlene O’Connor Depledge +**
- Wed. March 25th  
12:05 pm: **Romeo Lopez +**
- Thurs. March 26th  
12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
- Fri. March 27th  
12:05 pm: **Marlene O’Connor Depledge +**
- Sat. March 28th  
5:00 pm: **Maria Diniz Pereira +**
- Sun. March 29<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 pm: **Repose of the Soul of Ms. Hélène Brigitte Simba Landu Sassa**



**HOLY THURSDAY POTLUCK SOUP SUPPER**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

**6:15 pm**

**Parish Hall**

*The Holy Name Parish Community and the African Catholic Community are invited to a simple soup potluck supper. Please bring enough soup for you/your family + 2 people. This is a wonderful opportunity to break bread together as we begin the Easter Triduum.*

MARCH 22, 2026



## Holy Week

*Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7 pm*

Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

Masses Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 10:00 am and  
12 noon African Catholic Community

Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

Lenten Day of Confessions

11 am – 12 noon

7 pm – 9 pm

12:05 pm Mass

### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

Holy Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>

**No 12:05 p.m. Mass (Chrism Mass at St.  
Michael's Cathedral)**

Holy Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> 12:05 p.m. Mass

Holy Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> Mass of the Lord's  
Supper at 7:30 p.m. (Led by our African Community  
Choir) (Bring bells to ring) .Adoration until midnight.

Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> Good Friday Service at 3:00  
p.m. (Led by our English Community Choir) Reminder:  
Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence for  
Catholics

Holy Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Vigil at – 8:00 p.m.  
Sacraments of Initiation for R.C.I.A Candidates (Bring  
bells to ring)

Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Mass at 10:00 a.m.  
(Bring bells to ring)

**African Catholic Community Mass at 12:00 p.m.**  
(Bring bells to ring)

### **CONFIRMATION CLASS – SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH**

This is a reminder to our Confirmation candidates and their parents and guardians: the next catechism class will take place next **Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30am-11:30am** in the parish hall.



ShareLife Celebrates 50 Years | ShareLife Sunday is this weekend Today is ShareLife Sunday. Special collections will be taking place this weekend on March 22. 2026 marks 50 years since Archbishop Philip Pocock made a bold and compassionate decision that would shape our community for generations: the founding of ShareLife. Building on a legacy of charitable giving in the Archdiocese of Toronto that stretches back to 1927, Archbishop Pocock launched ShareLife in 1976—an appeal rooted in the belief that every life matters, at every stage. Today, his vision lives on through more than 40 ShareLife-funded agencies providing unconditional care to people in need—regardless of religion, background, or circumstance and through people like you who make their work happen.

Our parish goal this year is **\$56,000.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### **Pontifical Collection for the Church in the Holy Land on Good Friday**

The Good Friday Collection helps to maintain the Church of the Holy Land by providing education, pastoral, and social support of Catholic youth and families committed to living their faith in the land where Christ lived, and by maintaining the Holy Sites that are so important to the faith of Christians everywhere. At the request of the Holy See, this Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 3, 2026.

Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may use Credit Cards, Interac, or Canadahelps, accessible at: [www.commissariat.ca](http://www.commissariat.ca), in the "Support Us" link.

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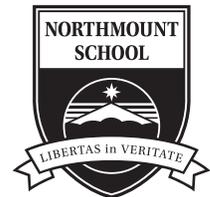


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