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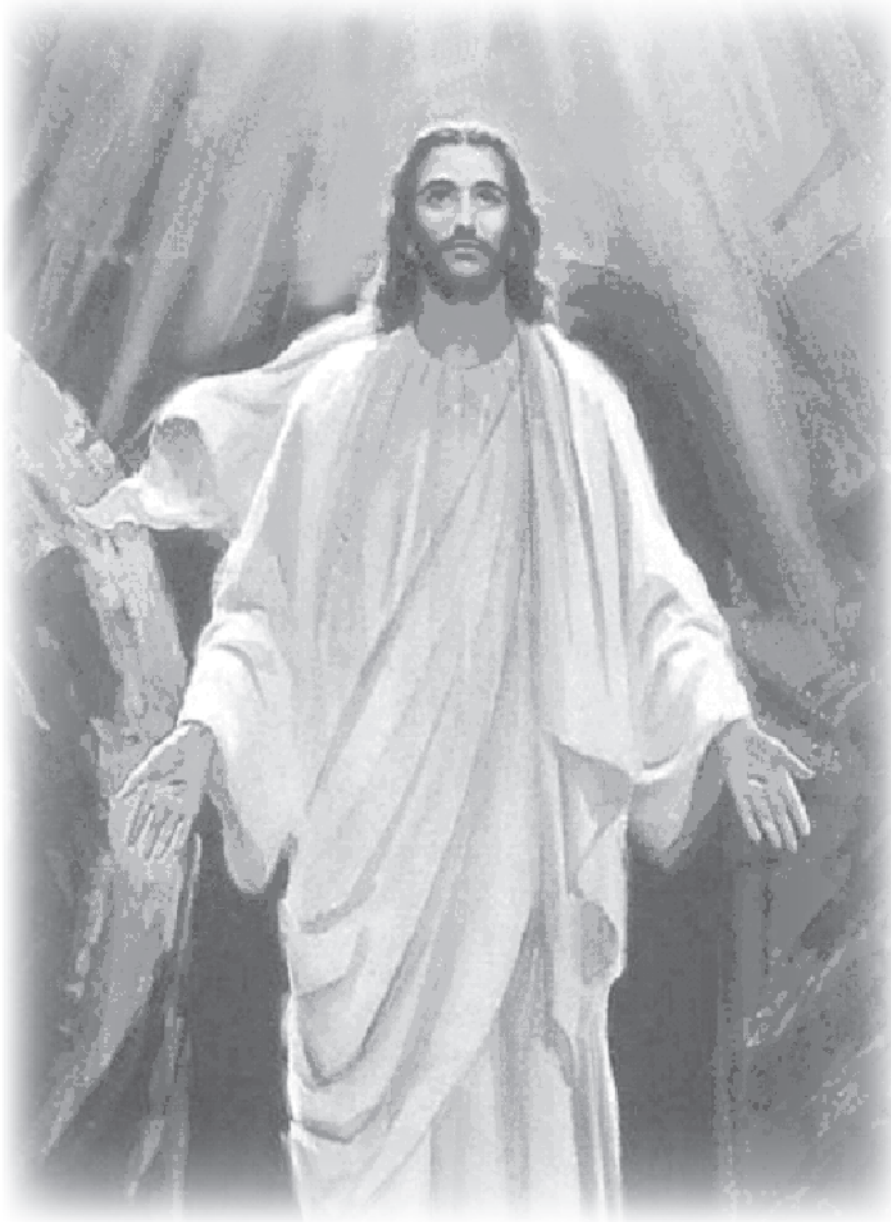
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Christ is Risen!



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Easter Sunday, March 31

- 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Past & Present Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul of OLF
12:15 p.m. Past & Present Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul of OLF

Monday, April 01

No Mass

Tuesday, April 02

8:00 a.m. +Rev. Fr. Noel Whelan

Wednesday, April 03

7:00 p.m. Clara Rodrigues (I) Thanksgiving

Thursday, April 04

8:00 a.m. Ethan Paul Bucsit (I) Healing

Friday, April 05

7:00 pm +Austin Slemmerman

Saturday, April 06

- 9:00 am. +Fe Alconaba
4:30 p.m. Past & Present Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul of OLF

Easter Sunday - March 31, 2024



The glorious Feast of the Resurrection of Christ proclaims, forever, that life is greater than death. Jesus commanded us to preach this good news to all peoples in all places at all times. If you feel God is calling you to minister in His Church as a priest, religious or deacon call Rev. Fr. Matthew

McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997; email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Rev. Alan Glass at 416-757-2806 or at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.

Next Week Readings

Easter Sunday- Christ is Risen
Recognizing the Risen Lord

1st Reading: Acts 10.34a, 37-43

2nd Reading: Colossians 3.1-4 or Corinthians 5.6b-8

Gospel: John 20.1-18

The Resurrection of Jesus

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic Book of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Christos Anesti — Christ is Risen!

In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. — John 14:2-3

Looking at my calendar for last year, the days after Easter Sunday are marked "Home." My mother was still living in her own home in Ottawa then and, as usual, I made a point of spending a few days with her. This year the days following Easter will feel empty. My Mom moved into the nursing home in early September and she passed away on January 7th. Her house is now sold; the closing date was Tuesday, March 19th, the Solemnity of St. Joseph. On the preceding Monday I did the final clean-up of the house, put the keys on the kitchen counter and left the house forever.

Before coming to Our Lady of Fatima, I took a leave of absence from my parish and was with my Mom from mid-November to the end of June, while my family made arrangements for caregivers. Those months with my Mom were an amazing blessing. We cooked a lot of my Mom's Polish 'comfort food.' When she was seventeen my Mom was baking cakes and pies for the Woolworth's lunch counter, so it was natural that we did a lot of baking. When the weather warmed in the spring and through the summer we would sit out in front of the house in the afternoon, me with a book, and she would watch the world go by. Occasionally neighbors would stop and chat for a while. Those were good times.

Last year was the first time since my ordination that I was able to celebrate Easter Sunday with my Mom. My Mom always did a traditional Easter brunch. In the 'old days' you had to receive Communion fasting, so there was no breakfast before Mass. Therefore a cold breakfast was laid out in the dining room ready for the return from Mass. This meal included hard-boiled eggs, ham, kielbasa, rye bread and, of course, home-made raisin bread. These things are still typical in the baskets prepared for the blessing of Easter foods on Holy Saturday.

Writing about these things is bitter-sweet. I feel a deep sense of gratitude along with the feelings of loss. The last time that I was with my Mom, just two days before she died, she was wishing that she could go home. I told her that I wanted her to go home too, and that, when she did, we would do some baking together. She really knew that she was not healthy enough to return home but the desire was still there. She would indeed soon be going home, but not to her cozy bungalow. She has now gone to the Father's house — that is her true home. And one day there will be a final note in my own calendar, saying simply "Home."

Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! He is truly risen!



Our Lady of Fatima Parish. Wishes all Parishioners and all Visitors a very happy and blessed Easter! Thank for your continuous support.



Feast of the Divine Mercy DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 07, 2024 will be celebrated at 12: 15 pm Mass "For the sake of sorrowful Passion Have mercy on us and on the whole world." Jesus, I trust in you.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy meetings & First Holy Communion classes will continue next this Sunday, April 7 during the 10:30 am Mass in the church hall. Thursday April 11 at 6:00 pm their will 2nd confession for the communicant in the church. All children - from 6 to 10 years old - are welcome to attend and participate.



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CONFIRMATION 2023-2024



These are the dates for up-coming classes: Saturday, April 6 is the last session of confirmation classes at 1:00 pm in the church hall. All candidates are asked to participate for the upcoming rehearsal Saturday, April 13 at 3:00 pm with their Sponsor. Confirmation Day will be on April 21 at 2:30 pm. Attendance is mandatory for all meetings and the Sunday Eucharist. See the notes and schedule given to you. Thank you

Our Lady of Fatima Parish - Basement



St. Vincent de Paul Society & Knights of Columbus



are having Church Bazaar on Saturday, May 25th 10:00 am -6:00 pm & Sunday, May 26th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Donations & Volunteers Needed

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for April 2024:



For the role of Women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.



Please contact: Frank at 416-779-3295 Or Marie-Lou at 647-821-5399

INFANT JESUS NOVENA 2024



- Novena 1 - Wed April 24 at 6:00 pm
Novena 2 - Wed May 22 at 6:00 pm
Novena 3 - Wed June 26 at 6:00 pm
Novena 4 - Wed July 24 at 6:00 pm
Novena 5 - Wed Aug 21 at 6:00 pm
Novena 6 - Wed Sept 25 at 6:00 pm
Novena 7 - Wed Oct 23 at 6:00 pm
Novena 8 - Wed Nov 27 at 6:00 pm
Novena 9 - Wed Dec 18 at 6:00 pm

The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague is celebrated on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 6.00 pm.

Donations Needed

Housewares, China Glassware, Small working Electronics, Appliances, Sporting Goods, Decorative & Holiday Items, Religious Icons, Articles Jewellery, Records CD's, DVD's, Kids toys, Puzzle games, Handmade Crafts: Crochet Baby Outfits/Blankets, Scarves, and Baked Goods such Cakes, Muffins, Pies, Jam, Pickles etc... 50/50 Draw with 3 prizes. Hope to see you all there!

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