

# ST. ANSELM'S PARISH

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**He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia**

# Mass for Intentions Week

**Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Angie Rizzo  
Requested by Luci Rizzo

**Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

The Deceased Members of the Kostovcik Family

**Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Jack Hamer  
Requested by Bernie Hamer

**Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

The Deceased Members of the Aust Family

**Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Peace and Care for Creation  
Requested by EcoAnselm

**Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m.**

William and Lillian Blackwell  
Requested by the Family



## PARISH SUPPORT

Last weekend, the parish collection was \$8,092, which includes a PAG amount of \$4,417.



**Monday, April 22: CLOSED**  
**Tuesday, April 23: 1pm – 4pm**  
**Wednesday, April 24: 9am - noon**  
**April 25 – 26: 9am-noon; 1pm - 4pm**

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For the sick who have asked for our prayers, especially Bishop Bob Kasun, Mary Hanna, Rachel Moxam and Shirley Rouleau, that the healing love and consolation of God may surround them and bring them strength in their illness, we pray...

**Group "B" casseroles are due THIS WEEKEND. Planning ahead....Group "A" casseroles will be due May 18/19 (Victoria Day weekend).**



## A Prayer for Earth Day Monday, April 22, 2019

**Lord**, help us to maintain a reverent attitude towards your Creation. May we protect it from all harm and danger so that all people will recognize the holiness and goodness of what you have given to us. We ask for the grace to see your beauty and generosity in all things through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Celebrate Earth Day with a Movie Night!



Join fellow parishioners on Tuesday, April 23rd from 7-8:30pm for an exclusive screening and discussion of "Magisterium of the People", a 2018 Salt+Light Television documentary featuring Catholic activists who are creatively and courageously responding to the cries of the poor and of the earth in the Appalachian mountains. Film director and St. Anselm's parishioner Sebastian Gomes will facilitate the discussion. The event will take place in the Parish Hall below the church. **FREE** admission and light snacks will be served! Contact: [ecoanselm@gmail.com](mailto:ecoanselm@gmail.com)

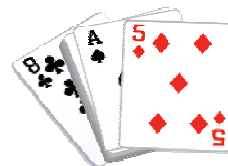
## Share...Life!

### Living the Gospel through immediate mental health services

Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' needs without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically significant increase in confidence that they can tackle their problems. For some agencies, ShareLife is the sole funder of this important program. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

**May 5 is ShareLife Sunday.**  
**Please give generously.**

### SENIOR/FRIENDSHIP GROUP



The next gathering of the Senior/Friendship group will be on **Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend for card games, conversation and refreshments.

## From the Pastor's Desk

*With Gratitude*

*On behalf of myself and my family, I would like to thank each and every person who surrounded us with prayers, Mass Intentions, offerings of any and all assistance, visitation with us at the funeral home and participation in the Mass of Christian Burial offered for my Mother, Leonore Moore. You were a true community of faith and provided us with the ability to celebrate a Good Catholic Funeral. Please know that your generosity of spirit is deeply appreciated by all of us. All I can say is thank you and let you know that you have shared a wonderful gift that will be remembered.*

### Luke 24:1-12 - Reflection on the Gospel for Easter Vigil

#### **"Jesus Lives"**



The resurrection of Jesus was so significant that it became a pivotal point in human history. Historians began to record all dates prior to this event as happening B.C., before Christ, or B.C.E.,

before the Christian (some now say the "common") era. They placed all that occurred since that moment in the realm of A.D. (Anno Domini) or C.E. (Christian or "common" era). Author James Burns cites other differences brought about by faith in the risen Lord. Before Christ's coming, he writes, the Tuscans made their tombs face west because death meant the close of life's day and the passage into everlasting night. After Christ, they buried their dead facing east, the direction of the rising sun and the risen Son (quoted in *A Treasury of Quips, Quotes and Anecdotes*, Anthony Castle, ed., Twenty Third Publications, Mystic, Conn.: 1998). Observers can see this same vivid contrast in the Roman catacombs. In one chamber that dates back to the time of Julius Caesar, the tombs are marked with signs of hopelessness. Cynical inscriptions and embittered complaints against the gods are

common. However, the chambers that hold the remains of those who suffered persecution for their faith in Jesus — the martyrs who were burned, crucified, torn asunder or thrown to the beasts — are quite different. They are adorned with lilies, symbols of immortality; the inscriptions are serenely joyful; and the chamber is decorated as if for a wedding rather than a funeral. The reason for this gladness is the person's conviction in the living, risen Christ in whose resurrection every believer may share. Jesus Christ, who was dead and is risen, is the reason for all our celebrations this Easter day and all throughout the coming weeks. What should we sweep out of our hearts to make more room for God and goodness? What might we surrender to make ourselves more sensitive to others' needs and burdens? The Gospel reading from Luke invites us to stand before the empty tomb and remember that the Christ-event did not end on the cross or in the grave. Death was not God's final word. It was the penultimate syllable that would be hushed as God's power replaced it with cries of glory and new life. While the earliest witnesses to the empty tomb grappled with its meaning, the appearances of the risen Jesus helped to clarify the mystery. "Jesus is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you ..." We spend so much of the celebration of this Easter season in remembering the words and works of Jesus so that we may enter yet again into the mystery. We also remember those first believers whose faithful testimony concerning Jesus has opened the way for us to believe. As we mark the resurrection of Jesus, a war-weary world awaits our testimony as well. Our lives should reflect the joy and hopefulness we have in Christ, where there would otherwise be only sadness and despair. Jesus lives! That pronouncement does not immunize the believer from evil, but it beckons us into the future, blesses us with strength for the present, and enables us to find the impetus in our shared history to live faithfully and passionately, devoted to Jesus until he comes again.

**HAPPY EASTER. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

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