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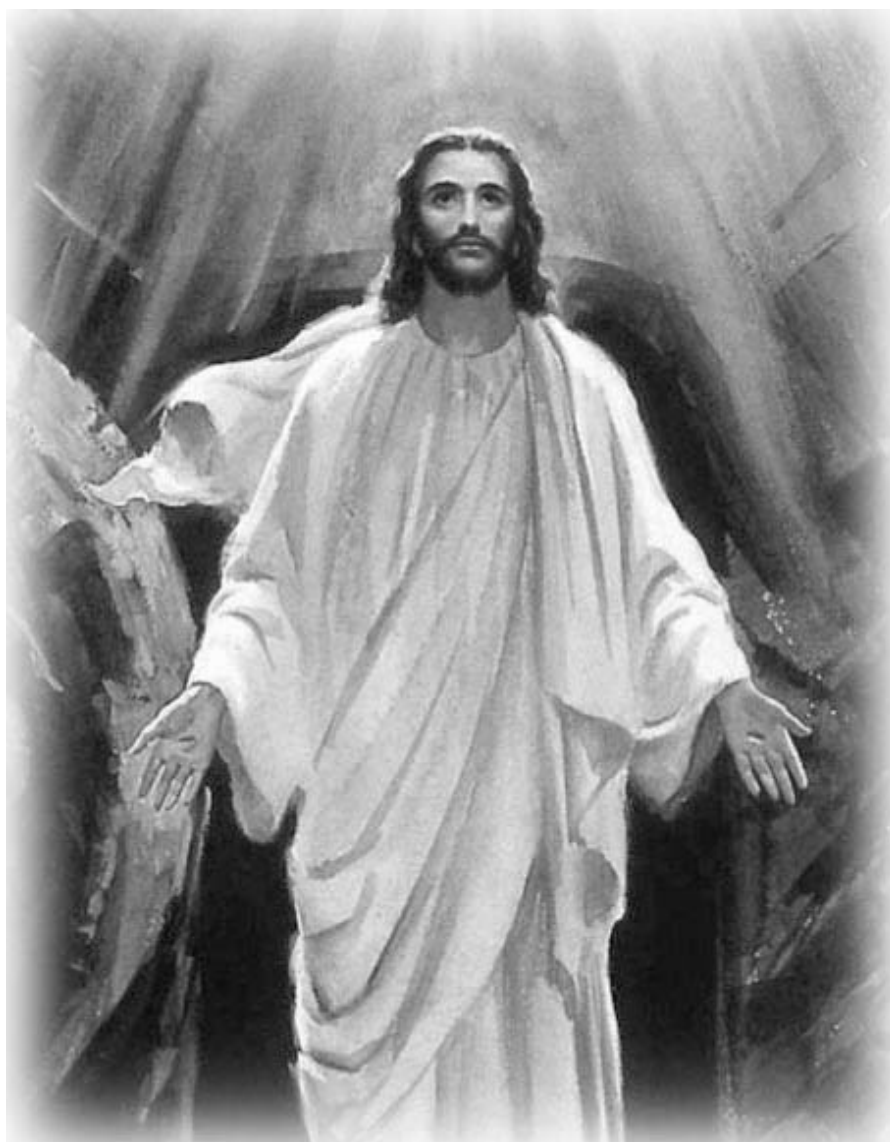
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Rejoice!  
For the Lord is truly risen!

# Mass for Intentions Week

**Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Patrick Green

Requested by Fergus and Lisa Tyrrell and Family

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

Merrill Steele

Requested by Greg Paolini and Sabrina Davis

**Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Cecilia Buraglia

Requested by Ines Escallon and Family

**Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Salvatore and Rosaria Buffa

Requested by the Family

## Share...Life!

Wishing you a blessed Easter from ShareLife

This Easter Sunday, we hold gratitude for the Lord Jesus, our saviour; and for you who brings 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.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



**EcoAnselm**

EcoAnselm wishes you a **JOYOUS EASTER!**

The month of April is dedicated to the **HOLY SPIRIT**. Let us allow this season of **RENEWAL** and **HOPE** “inspire us to live as Easter people - radiating the light of Christ’s victory in our daily lives”. “**He is not here; He has risen!**” (Luke 24:6). **SEE: NEWMAN CENTRE CATHOLIC MISSION Monthly Newsletter | Cor Ad Cor Loquitor | April 2025 HE IS RISEN HE IS RISEN.**

## **SPRING “BUNDLE UP” COLLECTION IS NEXT WEEKEND!**

The St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up collection is **NEXT WEEKEND April 11 & 12**. The truck will be in our parking lot to accept gently used clothing, outerwear, footwear and textiles such as sheets and towels.

## **Estate Planning Presentation from a Catholic Perspective**

**on Tuesday, April 28 at 7:00 p.m.**

**at St. Anselm’s Parish**

Attend to find out:

- How to avoid problems in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney & through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your personal Catholic legacy

Please register by using the QR code on the poster, emailing or calling the office, or sign up with Barrig after Mass.

*you're*  
**INVITED**

**“Cake, Coffee and an Abundance of Gratitude”**  
**On SUNDAY, APRIL 12<sup>th</sup>**

**following the 11:00 Mass, we will be celebrating the “Inauguration of the Elevator and Re-Opening of the Parish Hall”. Please join and share in celebrating our community gathering space.**

**GROUP “B” casseroles for the Good Shepherd Refuge will be collected on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 4:00- 5:00pm in the church parking lot.**

## **INVITATION TO “A DAY WITH MARY”**

You are invited to a “Day with Mary” taking place on **Saturday, May 30, 2026** at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults and children’s catechesis for the little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more.

There is no fee to register – this is a free event open to all. Registration will open from April 8 until May 15: <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>. Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>

**JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN ALLELUIA!**



We are here today because our faith calls us to celebrate Jesus' triumph over death. We rejoice. We live in the hope that Jesus' victory will be ours, too. We long for that life everlasting which Jesus proclaimed and which we celebrate at Easter. But it is not only life

after death that is our Easter celebration. It is life *through* death. For Jesus Christ, death is the doorway to life. "Unless the seed falls into the ground and dies ..." (*John 12:24*). The seed falls into the ground at the time of physical death. It also happens countless times throughout life. "If the seed dies, it yields a rich harvest" (*John 12:24*). Death bringing new life is a law of the universe. The baptism ritual of Easter demonstrates this. The catechumen descends into the waters of baptism, the waters of death, and emerges to new life in Christ. Ongoing death-to-life is not an easy consideration for us human beings. You and I are comfortably in church this Easter to celebrate joyful Easter "Alleluias." But it is only because of Jesus' victory over death that we celebrate Easter joy. Our Easter "Alleluias" are meant to echo every day of our lives. Christ died once for all. We rejoice and are glad. We know that it was not just Jesus' death on Calvary, but Jesus' whole life that was a dying, a giving over of himself for the life of the world: "Though he was in the form of God ... [Jesus] emptied himself, taking the form of a slave ... in every way like a human being, and became obedient to the point of death ... on a cross. And for this, God raised him on high" (*Phil 2:6-9*).

We are challenged to live our lives with Jesus for the life of the world. Our Easter "Alleluias" will resound every day if we live the life of Christ that we received at baptism. With Jesus, it is not just our final passing in death that brings new life; it is the whole of our lives. It is the frequent little deaths that we face over and over. We are parents, spouses, family members, friends, employees, employers, teachers, ministers, healthcare workers. There are times we are called to set aside our own comfort, interests, desires or needs in order to provide attention, love or life-giving service to another person. We die to self so that we can give life to them. Through that, we bring Easter joy anew to a portion of the world, our world and beyond to the greater world outside our own circle. Today, we are 20 centuries after the time of Christ, and violence and death have not yet been overcome with life-giving sacrificial love. It is disturbing to reflect on what seems to be an ever-increasing level of violence in our homes, on our streets, within governments, between

nations and based in groups that promote lawlessness and terror. Any solution starts with us. Any change begins in individual hearts. Each one of us can give attention to one area of our life that needs to be resurrected from death. That may be someone or some situation near to us, calling out for our attention. We ask ourselves: Who or what needs the life-giving touch of the resurrected Jesus-in-us? Jesus says (*John 10:10*), "I have come that you may have life, and have it more abundantly," now and after death. Let the risen Jesus into your life. Welcome him as a friend, with trust: He is life!

**OUR EASTER MESSAGE**

The promise of all ages has now been fulfilled in the Resurrection, and we rejoice. We sing by faith and trust about Jesus rising again. We say to one another what we now say to you. Happy Easter! Happy, happy Easter! As we move through this Easter season, let us remember who has called us together and what we are called to do. We live in a world that would really like to forget – Easter joy, Easter hope, Easter love and Easter faith. The greatest of all Easter truths is this: God's love is stronger than life itself, stronger than death. The Resurrection is molded out of love. If you know that, blessed are you as you come to believe and in that belief, celebrate this great feast. Happy Easter from all those who serve you – *Father Tom, Msgr David, Deacon Dan and Barrig*, your pastoral team in action. **Happy Easter! Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**DID YOU KNOW ...The Liturgy of the Eucharist...The Presentation of the Gifts...Up to this point in the Mass, we have responded in word. Now, as we enter into the Liturgy of the Eucharist, we respond in action. In the Presentation of the Gifts we begin the work of sharing our time, our talent and our treasure with others and with God. Members of the community bring forward the gifts of bread and wine that will become for us the body and blood of Jesus. If you are asked to give this service to your community, remember that you are participating in a very special way in offering your own time, talent and treasure to that same community. On Sunday, this Presentation of the Gifts is also the time when a collection is taking place. It may surprise you to realize that this is a spiritual act as well as a way to contribute to the welfare of the parish – keeping the heat on, turning on the lights, paying the bills. As followers of Jesus, we live out the call to be good stewards in three areas of our lives: time, talent and treasure. For many of us today, time is limited. Sharing our treasure with charitable organizations can be a good choice. Sharing our talents can be as simple as saying yes to taking up the gifts, acting as a greeter, giving out bulletins. Next week: **The Eucharistic Prayer.****

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