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Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, April 25

7:00 pm Thanksgiving of William Rocha
✠ Tiburcio Agustin (*Josefina Villapando*)

Wednesday, April 26

7:00 pm ✠ Mariano Laranang (*Carmelita Laranang*)
Thanksgiving for Theresa Ortiz (*Teresa Kath*)
Special Intentions for the Alexander & McIntosh
Family

Thursday, April 27

7:00 pm ✠ Romana Rinieri (*Rinieri Family*)

Friday, April 28

7:00 pm ✠ All Souls in Purgatory
✠ Viola & Tom Maginn (*Marcy Salmingo*)
✠ Dolores Guillen (*Ferdinand Guillen*)
✠ Gregoria Valoria (*Agnes Juanane*)
✠ Esperanza Oliada-Laranjo (*Norma Segui*)

Saturday, April 29 (Vigil Mass)

Fourth Sunday of Easter

5:00 pm The Parishioners at St Theresa Church

Sunday, April 30

Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:00 am ✠ Geoffrey & Ivy Westerhout (*Linda, Marriane, Giles, Rita & Family*)
12:00 noon ✠ Deceased Members of Bergeron, Sparrow & Demman Families (*Claudette Bergeron*)



Let Us Pray FOR THE SICK

Visitacion Perez, Edward Ramit, Belen Lobo, Claud Rocha, Margaret Wilson, Rene Sagolili, Sara Pinder, Nena Christian, Norma Salmingo, Judy Discutido, Susan Tighe, Vivian Potter, Carmelina Aquino, Paul & Monica Brewster

VOCATION SEEDS



Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does your heart burn in his presence? How are you being called - as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

Acts 2:14,22-33

Peter and the apostles announce that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11

God will show us the path of life.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-21

You were saved by Christ's sacrifice.

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:13-35

Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus.

Today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.



A ShareLife Campaign Update

Next week, we will be holding the second collection in our parish's ShareLife campaign. We ask for your kind generosity and support once again.

Thus far we have raised \$19,530.00 toward our goal of \$40,000.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for "living the Gospel" through our parish ShareLife campaign.

COLLECTION REPORT APRIL 15 & 16

Offertory	2,544.55
Offertory Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	317.60
Renovation	55.00
Renovation Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	122.85
Mass Stipends	70.00
Microphone system upgrade	400.00
Funeral	400.00
TOTAL COLLECTION: \$	3,910.00
Estimated Weekly Expenses	4,500.00
Deficit: \$	-590.00
Archdiocesan Collection	
Sharelife	100.00
Humanitarian Relief	15.00

APRIL 23, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I invite you to join me in a novena prayer to God, the Holy Spirit in preparation for the celebration of the Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday.

"He is Risen! Truly He is Risen!" On Easter Sunday, I invited you to repeat this wonderful proclamation: *"He is Risen! Truly He is Risen!"* The infant Church of the Apostles had the Risen Lord's presence with them for forty days until Ascension Sunday, when Jesus ascended back to His Father taking our human nature with Him into the light of the Blessed Trinity of God. And with Him, the hope too of our own Resurrection.

Then, the fledgling Church waited for nine days in prayer for the promised Advocate. And on the tenth day, Pentecost Sunday, the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin in the form of fire and in the shape of tongues. The Apostles' filled with God, the Holy Spirit went out of that locked room and boldly proclaimed the gift of salvation in Jesus' name. What power they were given! They who had hid in fear from the authorities ever since the crucifixion were fearless through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Those nine days of prayer was the original novena prayer of the Church. Ever since, the Church has used this form of prayer in asking for its needs.

Come! Bring your family! Bring a friend! Together as God's family, we will call upon the Holy Spirit in these nine days of prayer. Let us come together for this novena, so that on Pentecost Sunday we will be blessed with a new outpouring of the grace of the Holy Spirit.

May His Peace Be with You,
Fr Simon

The novena prayer will begin immediately following the weekday 7PM Masses and include Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

1st Day: Friday, May 12—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

2nd Day: Tuesday, May 16—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

3rd Day, Wednesday, May 17—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

4th Day, Thursday, May 18—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

5th Day, Friday, May 19—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

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Sunday of The Ascension of the Lord, Sunday, May 20

6th Day, Tuesday, May 23—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

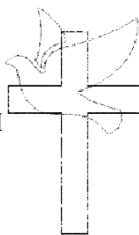
7th Day, Wednesday, May 24—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

8th Day, Thursday, May 25—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

9th Day, Friday, May 26—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

Pentecost Sunday

Solemnity, Sunday, May 28



TODAY IS BUNDLE-UP SUNDAY

Turning your concern into action



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is collecting clothing, footwear & beddings (*any condition*), and new toys for our neighbours in need. You may

bring your donations before the Mass on Saturday and Sunday. Please tie your donation bags for easier handling. **The container will be in the church parking lot all weekend.**

Looking for Donors

St. Theresa's Women's Group is soliciting for a full-size refrigerator for use in the parish hall. For more details, please call or email the parish office.

In need of a vehicle for 6 weeks in July-August

The Office of Vocations and the Office of Catholic Youth are preparing for Totus Tuus Toronto 2023. They have recruited 16 young Catholic leaders who will be formed and sent out in teams of four to serve as missionaries in parishes throughout the Archdiocese, facilitating week-long summer camps. This year, we need a vehicle for one of our teams for 6 weeks in July-August, which will allow them to travel between parishes and host families, sharing the joy of Jesus with youth throughout our Archdiocese. Please share our need with any parishioners who may be able to be generous in this way and ask them to contact us. Thank you in advance!

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