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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia

Easter Sunday: April 20, 2025



Saturday, April 19 at 8 p.m. Mass Easter Vigil
Holy Saturday

Sunday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m. Mass ***for the
Intensions of the Parishioners
Resurrection of the Lord***

Sunday, April 20 at 12:30 p.m. ***Native People's
Mass – Everyone is welcome***

Monday, April 21 at 8 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, April 22 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, April 23 at 8 a.m. Mass
+ ***Thomas Theknath***

Thursday, April 24 at 8 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, April 25 at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour,
07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, April 26 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, April 27 at 10:30 a.m. Mass ***for the
Parishioners of St. Ann
Divine Mercy Sunday – Solemnity***

Sunday, April 27 at 12:30 p.m. ***Native People's
Mass – Everyone is welcome***

Easter Sunday

Reflection
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Alleluia, He is Risen! Today is the Sunday of Sundays, the Solemnity of Solemnities. Today is the day Christ broke through the chains of sin and death and triumphantly rose from the dead,

winning for us our salvation. As Christians, we are an Easter people and we are called to live in the joy and peace of the Risen Christ. Let us take a moment to reflect on how Easter can profoundly impact our daily lives.

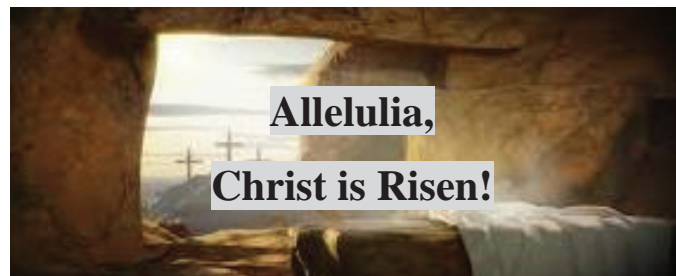
By human standards, the crucifixion was an utter humiliating defeat. It was the end of the story for the person of Jesus and His followers. Jesus would just be remembered as the influential and charismatic preacher that went too far by claiming to be God. All hope was seemingly lost. Yet, this is the paradox of the cross. The cross, the weapon of torture and death, becomes the very means of life and salvation. It was

the necessary step in order for the resurrection. There simply is no Easter Sunday without a Good Friday. This is the beautiful truth of our faith. The famous Portuguese proverb says that “God writes straight with crooked lines.” When all seems lost and broken, God can use these situations to bring about great blessings. As stewards, let us not be discouraged when we face crosses and trials in life or our ministry. If God was able to bring about the resurrection out of the crucifixion, just imagine the great deeds He will bring through our crosses. So let us rejoice on this Easter Sunday and thank God for the gift of His resurrection.

Summary

The beautiful truth of our faith is that God was able to bring about the greatest good of the resurrection through the seemingly utter defeat of the crucifixion. The famous Portuguese proverb says that “God writes straight with crooked lines.” As stewards, let us not be discouraged when we face crosses and trials but instead trust that God will transform these difficulties into many little Easter mornings.

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



Offertory Collection

Weekend of April 12/13

Envelopes (87) \$ 1,934.00

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ShareLife: Thank you for being a beacon of hope

On Easter Sunday, we thank you for being a beacon of hope for our brothers and sisters in need by supporting ShareLife. In their darkest hours, you are right beside them. As we rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord this Easter Sunday, let us open our hearts to all.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

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Pope's Prayer Intention 2025

The Pope's prayer intention for 2025 addresses challenges facing humanity and assists the mission of the church. These intentions serve as principles guiding our lives and mission. In **April**, let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

– **Pope Francis**

Happy Easter



Easter commemorates the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the tomb, occurring three days after His crucifixion. The Easter story, as recounted in all four Gospels of the New Testament, begins with the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, His burial,

and culminates in His resurrection from the dead.

Behind all those Easter eggs, Easter bunnies, and everything else in between that commercializes this sacred time, Easter remains a love story – the love of God freely flowing to humanity. The Easter story invites us to reflect on the meaning of life and the power of love and forgiveness. It reminds us of the heart of God.

The life, teachings, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ together teach us the efficacy of humble service, self-sacrifice, and true love. As believers, we live in hope, not fear, and through God's mercy and love, we can overcome anything life throws our way. On behalf of the staff, volunteers and myself, I wish you all a wonderful Easter. May the resurrected Christ, who overcame death, bless you abundantly. May everyone have a holy and joy-filled Easter.

United in prayer, hope and love, - Fr. Francis CSC.

Celebrating the Canonization of St. Carlo Acutis, the First Millennial Saint

St. Edward the Confessor Parish is hosting the first-class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis and the Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit on **Friday, April 25, 9 am to Sunday, April 27, 2 pm**, the canonization weekend of Blessed Carlo Acutis in Rome. We warmly invite you to come visit us for blessing and veneration of the relic after all the weekend Masses

and see the exhibit which will be on display in the parish hall.

The Vatican-approved exhibit, which was designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, the first Millennial Saint, features panels that each tell the story of an Eucharistic miracle and allow you to “virtually visit” the places where the miracles took place. The exhibit's purpose is to increase awareness of the Real Presence of our Lord in the Eucharist and promote Eucharistic Adoration.

St. Edward the Confessor Parish is a designated Jubilee Pilgrimage Church of the Archdiocese of Toronto for the Jubilee Year 2025. **CONTACT:** St. Edward the Confessor Parish Office. **PHONE:** 416-221-9131.

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Join Us in Celebrating the Feast of St. Kateri Tekakwitha

We invite you to a special celebration honoring St. Kateri Tekakwitha, our beloved Indigenous saint, on Sunday, April 27, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. As Catholics in Canada, we recognize her significance in healing relationships



with indigenous peoples and the earth. Since St. Kateri's feast day in Canada falls on April 17, which coincides with Holy Thursday in 2025, we will commemorate it with a special Mass on Sunday, April 27, 2025. After the Eucharistic celebration, we will gather for a potluck lunch in the hall. Come share a meal, meet new friends, and enjoy this joyful gathering! If you would like to bring a dish to share, please call the office at 416-4662127. Everyone is welcome! Bring your family and friends as we celebrate faith, unity, and the inspiring life of St. Kateri. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Dinner and Dance

Once again, we are inviting you for a night to celebrate. St. Ann Parish and the Native People's Mission are holding a dinner and dance **“Ticket to 80's and 90's” on May 31, 2025**, after 5 p.m. Mass. Come and join us for a fun and exciting night as we gather as one united community in our parish. Invite your family and friends to join us. Save the date, reserve your tickets now. The ticket cost is 25.00 dollars.



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