

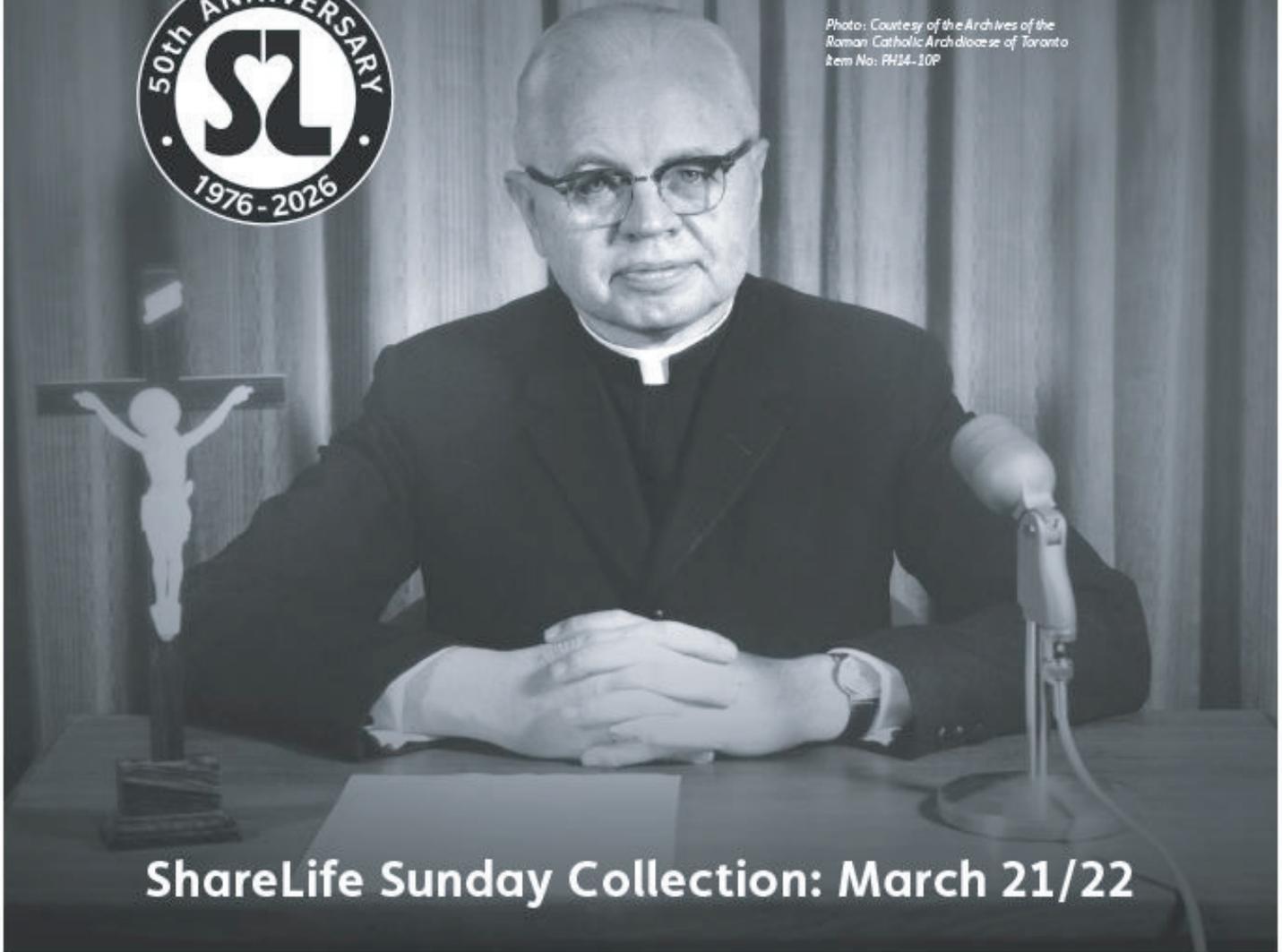
Living the Gospel



"We believe that every human being is unique and priceless. We hold that human life must be respected at every stage of its development from the first mysterious moment of conception to the declining days of advanced age."

– Archbishop Philip Francis Pocock,
A Declaration on Behalf of Life, March 19, 1976

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ShareLife Sunday Collection: March 21/22

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5th Sunday of Lent: March 22, 2026



Saturday, March 21, at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 22 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann for Holy Souls in Purgatory* – +

Sunday, March 22, at 12:30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – Everyone is welcome*

Monday, March 23 at 8 a.m. Mass
Ellen Santos Galicia – +

Tuesday, March 24 at 8 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, March 25 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 26 at 8 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, March 27 at 6:30 p.m.
Stations of the Cross, 07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, March 28, at 5 p.m. Mass
Vinko Kavcic – +
Mama Defuhiswa Mwanri – +

Sunday, March 29 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann Palm Sunday for Holy Souls in Purgatory* – +

Sunday, March 29, at 12:30 p.m. *Native Peoples Mass – Everyone is welcome*

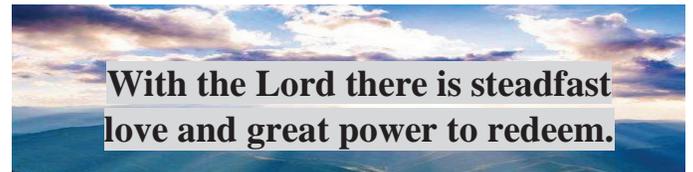
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Reflection
In today's Gospel, we encounter the great mystery of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. This apparent death of Lazarus was not in vain, for Jesus says it occurred so "that the Son of God may be glorified through it." After raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus instructs the crowd to "unbind him, and let him go."

This "unbinding" signifies that Jesus doesn't just raise him from the dead but also sets him free. So too, through God's great gift of forgiveness, He raises us from the death of sin and leads us to interior freedom. This Lent, let us seek God's forgiveness by availing ourselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter. The Catechism says that "the sacrament of Reconciliation with God brings about a true 'spiritual resurrection,' restoration of the dignity and blessings

of the life of the children of God, of which the most precious is friendship with God" (CCC 1468). Moreover, after Lazarus was freed, it says that many people believed in Jesus. Likewise, after we receive God's forgiveness and live in freedom and friendship with God, we should be true stewards of God's gifts and evangelize those around us. Through the grace of the sacrament, we will have the necessary strength to offer our time and talents to our parish community. So this Lent, let us not remain in the death of sin but turn to Jesus and receive the life and freedom of forgiveness.

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



Offertory Collection

Weekend of **March 21/22**
Envelopes (42) \$ **940.00**
Loose \$ **308.00**
PAG \$ **419.40**



Share Life

ShareLife Celebrates 50 Years | ShareLife Sunday is this weekend

Today is **ShareLife Sunday**. Special collections will take place this weekend, **March 22, 2026**. This year marks 50 years since Archbishop Philip Pocock made a bold and compassionate decision to establish ShareLife in 1976 to support people in need.

Today, more than 40 ShareLife-funded agencies continue to provide compassionate care to those facing hardship. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Palm Sunday Celebration



Next weekend is **Palm Sunday**. Join us as we commemorate Jesus Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem with the blessing and procession of palms.

Blessing of the Palms:

- > **Saturday (5 p.m.)** Blessing at the Church Entrance
- > **Sunday (10:30 a.m.)** Blessing at the Rectory
- > **Sunday(12:30 p.m.)** Blessing at the Church Entrance.

Let us come together in faith and prepare our hearts for Holy Week. All are welcome.

5th Sunday of Lent: March 22, 2026

Celebrating the Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi

We are pleased to announce that, in celebration of the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi, Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed a special Jubilee Year from January 10, 2026, through January 10, 2027.

This extraordinary year offers a unique opportunity for spiritual renewal and growth in the Franciscan virtues of peace, charity, and care for creation.

How to Participate:

- **Pilgrimage:** A plenary indulgence is available to the faithful who make a pilgrimage to any Franciscan conventual church or place of worship dedicated to or associated with St. Francis. Here, in our diocese, the following are the places.

Central Region: Immaculate Conception, Toronto
St. Bonaventure, Toronto
St. Francis of Assisi, Toronto
Francis Stable, Toronto

- **Prayer and Devotion:** Visit these sites to participate in Jubilee rites or spend time in pious meditation, concluding with the Our Father, the Creed, and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Saints of the Franciscan Family.
- **Spiritual Intentions:** The Church invites us to follow the example of the "Poverello" (the Little Poor One) and strive to become models of holiness and witnesses of peace in our daily lives.

Please join us throughout this year as we honor the legacy of St. Francis and seek to deepen our own walk with Christ.

Easter Flower Donation



Bringing flowers for Easter is a cherished tradition of our church and a beautiful way to honour and remember our loved ones. If you would like to donate flowers, you are warmly invited to do so. For

those unable to purchase or bring flowers, monetary donations toward Easter flowers are also appreciated. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity!

Christian Life Program

The Handmaids of the Lord warmly invite you to a **Christian Life Program**, starting on **April 19, 2026**, at **1:30 p.m.** at **St Ann Parish Hall**. This life-enriching program will run for 8 consecutive Sundays

and is open to women who are seeking spiritual growth. **NO FEES required.** For more details, please email: rmnobleza56@gmail.com or call 41695548320, or the office at 4164662127.

Holy Week Schedule



Lenten Confession

March 27, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

March 28, 4 – 5 p.m.

Palm Sunday

March 28 – Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass

March 29 – Sunday

10:30 a.m. Mass

12:30 p.m. Mass

Holy Thursday: April 2

8 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday: April 3

3 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Word

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Easter Vigil: April 4

8 p.m. Mass of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday: Apr 5

10:30 a.m. Mass

12:30 p.m. Mass

St. Ann Parish Lenten Fish & Chips

Join us on Friday, April 3, 2026 before 12:00 PM to 2:30 P.M. and after 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. for a delicious Lenten meal with our parish community. **Cost: \$15:00 per ticket** ▲ **One day only!** Tickets must be reserved in advance with payment.



Reserve your tickets today and don't miss this wonderful opportunity for fellowship and good food! Tickets available at the back of the church.



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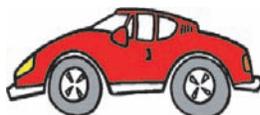
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