

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Pastor

Rev. Anthony Iacobelli

Deacons: Michael Gennaro James Shaughnessy

Celebration of The Eucharist

Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am Thursday: 12:00 noon

Eucharistic Adoration (First Friday - following the 8:30 am Mass and closing with Solemn Benediction at 12:00 noon)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. Or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Second Sunday of the Month By appointment only.

Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment only - Contact the pastor at least one year in advance. An approved preparation course is mandatory.

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THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Apr. 11th - Apr. 15th

Tuesday - Sheila Hands ♥

Wednesday - Msgr. John Weber Sp. Int.

Thursday - Anthony & Cecilia Toscano Sp. Int.

Friday - Amelia Lee 🕆 Saturday - Isabella Oliveira 🕆

READINGS FOR – April 16th

1st Reading: Acts 2.42-47 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9 Gospel: John 20.19-31





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THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON EASTER MONDAY

The Word This Week

"Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord."

"He is risen." The resurrection of Christ is a pledge of our own resurrection. It is the foundation upon which our faith rests. It is the guarantee of our redemption and God's

assurance that our sins are forgiven and that we are called to eternal life. "This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us be glad and rejoice therein. Give praise to the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endures forever. Alleluia."



In the very center of the Mass, the great prayer of thanksgiving, from the first words of the Preface, expresses the unrivaled motive for this joy: if it is right to praise You, Lord, at all times, how much more so should we not glorify You on this day when Christ our Passover was sacrificed, for He is the true Lamb who took away the sins of the world, who by His Death destroyed our death and by His Resurrection restored our then, Redemption Easter means. obtained — sin destroyed, death overcome, divine life brought back to us, resurrection of our body which is promised immortality. With such a certitude, we should banish all trace of sadness. Haec dies quam fecit Dominus: "This is the day which the Lord has made." Throughout the octave we shall sing of the unequaled joy which throws open eternity to us. Every Sunday will furnish a reminder of it, and from Sunday to Sunday, from year to year, the Easters of this earth will lead us to that blessed day on which Christ has promised that He will come again with glory to take us with Him into the kingdom of His Father.

Dear Parishioners: "Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia!

Our Lord has conquered sin and death. The Good Shepherd is with us to guide us safely through this life to his Heavenly Kingdom.

Our Easter message to all of you is: "It wasn't nails that held him to the cross but His love for you and me. Easter is the time to rejoice and be thankful for the gift of life, love and joy. Earth's saddest day and gladdest day were just three days apart. 1 Cross + 3 Nails = 4 Given. He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crucified for our iniquities and by His wounds we are healed. It's not about the bunny, it's about the Lamb. Jesus didn't say, "I am finished." He said, "It is finished." He was just getting started."

As your pastor, I am grateful for all the hard work of so many people: lectors, ushers, choir and musicians, the enhancement committee and those who assisted with the Easter Vigil flowers.

The faith commitment of the people and families who make up Good Shepherd Parish bears witness to the reality of the resurrection. Truly, the risen Lord is with us and dwells among us.

On behalf of, Ornella, our Deacons Michael Gennaro & James Shaughnessy, I wish each of you a Blessed and Joyous Easter!

God bless you, Father Anthony

CASSEROLE COLLECTION

FEED MY LAMBS

Casserole trays will be collected before each Mass next weekend (Apr. 15 & 16). You can also visit



the office during business hours (Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) to pick up pans. Good Shepherd Ministries remain at the service of the poor and homeless of our city. Heartfelt thanks to those who have faithfully supported this program.

APRIL 15 AND 16

The Knights of Columbus invite all to join them after each Mass for some light refreshments in the parish hall. A wonderful time to be in community, unite and welcome new parishioners.



"So, What Happens Now? My New Life After the Resurrection" with Fr. Michael Corpus

Saturday April 15
08:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Blessed Trinity Church
3220 Bayview Ave., Toronto
8:00 a.m. Mass followed by breakfast at 8:30 a.m.
Presentation: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

As the long journey through Lent finally comes to an end and Easter dawns upon us, we can so quickly move onto the ordinary once again. There is new life found in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and we are called into the light. Join in this retreat, as Fr. Michael Corpus (Vice-Rector at St. Augustine's Seminary and former intern seminarian of Blessed Trinity Parish) returns to share his wisdom on resisting the ordinary and striving for excellence in the Easter Season.

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