

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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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.

Parish School

St. Michael Catholic Academy 905-889-4816

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THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Apr. 7th - Apr. 11th

Tuesday - Helena D'Souza †
Wednesday - Louis Miranda †
Thursday - Pompeyo Roa Realuyo †
Friday - †
Saturday - Lucia & Fernanda Bouchard †

READINGS FOR – April

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



12th

The Word This Week



"I have risen and I am with you still."

This is Easter, the Resurrection. A new world was born that morning when Jesus stepped out of the tomb where he had lain for three days. The sin which brought darkness was obliterated and the world began anew, bathed in the light of the Resurrection.

"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."

Let us join together this Easter to be powerful witnesses of hope to our communities. More important, let us be renewed in the love of Christ who sustains us.

**The office will be closed on
Easter Monday.**

*Dear Parishioners,
Christ is risen! He is truly risen! Alleluia!
The Easter message of joy echoes through the whole world proclaiming Christ's ultimate victory of light over darkness, grace over sin, and life over death. It is the message upon which we build our lives and to which we anchor our own hope of victory with him. During this solemn Easter season of 50-days we joyfully give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed on us as individuals and as a faith community these many years. Because Jesus has died and risen again, conquering sin and death, we believe that with him we too shall live.*

In the spirit of faith and hope, on behalf of our Parish Administrators, Deacons Michael Gennaro and James Shaughnessy, we wish you a Blessed and Joyous Easter.

God Bless you, Father Anthony



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.

As Christ was resurrected, may your faith be rejuvenated. Let His love shine brightly in your heart, illuminating your path forward.

CWL FUNDRAISER



The CWL is pleased to announce that they will be taking orders for MacGregors meats again this year. Their products are of excellent quality and come highly recommended. The ladies of the CWL will be at the back of the church on April 11/12 and 18/19 with the order forms for you to complete and to answer any questions you may have. Order forms must be returned by April 25th. Delivery date is May 11th in the church parking lot.



GOOD SHEPHERD
MINISTRIES

CASSEROLE COLLECTION

FEED MY LAMBS

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass next weekend (April 11/12). Frozen casseroles will be collected the following weekend before each Mass. 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.

WHEELCHAIR PROGRAM

The Knights are collecting "refundable" beer, wine and liquor bottles next weekend (Apr. 11/12) which will be redeemed for wheelchairs for the needy. We thank you for your support of this project.



CWL's Diaper Drive March 28th and 29th

The CWL extend a big thank you for the generous support received from all the parishioners who donated to the diaper drive. The items collected will be distributed to those in need during these difficult times. We are grateful and blessed for such an amazing parish.

EASTER
Blessings

Day of Reflection & Prayer for the Bereaved

Saturday, April 11th

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre

Day of Reflection & Prayer for the Bereaved. "Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?" Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith. At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey. Facilitated by Sr. Claire Marchal and Mary Hyland. For more information and to register, please contact Mary Hyland at 905-441-0957. Suggested offering: \$75 per person. Includes coffee/tea & muffin break, lunch, the program and Mass. Please see flyer on website at: <https://manresa-canada.ca>

Annual Ching Ming Remembrance Mass

The Mass will be held on April 18th at 2:00 p.m. at the Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery. Liturgy will be in Chinese and English. Please refer to the poster on the bulletin. For more information, please contact Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery at 905-889-7467.

"Each of us has a story to tell, a sacred story to share. Each of our existential narratives are marked by light and shadows. But the author of our lives will never let us go through our hardships alone. The Power of the Resurrection is available to us today. The possibility of a new life is in our reach; the boundless energy of transforming grace is at our fingertips; the consolation and comfort of the Holy Spirit is but a prayer away; the second chances, and third and fourth which we really need, are part and parcel of God's merciful plan. There is nothing to fear; there is endless love, endless hope in this life, endless light into which we are called. The Resurrection of Christ points to the renewal of our daily lives as well as to that day, one day, the last day, when we will be called to enter the fulness of life in eternity."


Cardinal Leo



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