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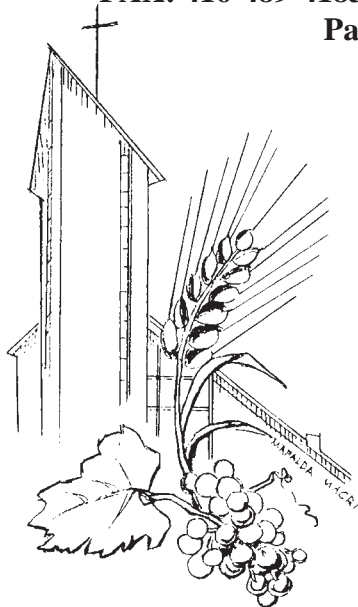
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PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Fr. Andy Macbeth	Pastor
Rev. Fr. Alexander MacDonald	Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Robert Kinghorn	Permanent Deacon
Cheryll Varona	Office Manager
Richard Kitchen	Custodian

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon., Tues., Fri. - 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Monday 12 noon in writing

SCHOOLS IN THE PARISH

St. Margaret's	416-393-5249
Loretto Abbey	416-393-5510
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or www.tcdsb.org

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday & Thursday	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Friday	12:00 noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	3:45 - 4:15 p.m.
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BAPTISM - By appointment

SUNDAY MASSES:

SATURDAY	4:30 p.m.
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES:

MONDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY	8:20 a.m.
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment Only

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a Catholic marriage preparation course.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

It is highly recommended that parents contact the parish office at least two months in advance of the birth of their child. Parents are obligated to participate in our baptismal preparation program. Baptisms generally take place on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month at 1:30 p.m.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory Office when a member of your family is seriously ill and/or would like to receive Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Peter Remedios, Chair 416-485-7781

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LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

(Sunday 10:30 a.m.) Priscila Domanay 416-485-7781

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PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM (P.H.C.P.)

Anna Di Carlo 416-788-0899

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Parish Office 416-485-7781

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Miriam Hastings 416-483-7659

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Parish Office 416-485-7781

VISITING TEAM FOR SHUT-INS

Barbara Dillon 416-485-7781

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Parish Office 416-485-7781

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

416-733-8544

PARISH MEMBERSHIP ... Welcome new parishioners! To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Please introduce yourself/family to the pastor and register as soon as possible.

All parishioners especially those who live outside our parish boundaries are expected to complete a Parish Registration form and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. This will greatly assist the Parish Team when parishioners request sacraments, funerals or letters of reference.

N.B. Please notify the parish office if you change your address or family information.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

EASTER – THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

"They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." Twice Mary Magdalene repeats these words of desolation. Twice she expresses the loss of love, loyalty and hope. Then a third time, even when she meets her Lord, her desolation is so great that she cannot recognize him. Are Mary's words of loss not our words many days in our lives? Have we not all felt a loss so deep that we felt we were beyond all consolation? Listen to the passage carefully. Jesus dries Mary's inconsolable tears by just calling her name "Mary"!

Easter is the day when Jesus calls each one of us by name and shows us that we are not beyond hope or consolation. The resurrection addresses our losses and our hope. The joyous celebration of Easter reminds us that no place of despair is beyond Christ's redeeming presence. This is important for us to hear in a time like ours when it is so easy to lose hope in everything. The Easter liturgy is our personal invitation to hear Jesus call our name like He called Mary's name. Look to the end of the reading for Mary's response. She went to tell everyone what she had heard. Let us become the people who add our voices to Mary's to tell the world what we have heard.

EASTER GREETINGS

On behalf of your Pastoral Team: our Associate Pastor Fr. Alexander MacDonald, our Permanent Deacon Robert Kinghorn, Cheryl and myself, I wish you all, a most Holy & Happy Easter!

~ Fr. Andy Macbeth

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 5th – 8:20 a.m.

OPHELIA PORTUNE COLLINS Requested by Dorothea Addun

Wednesday, April 7th – 7:00 p.m.

✠ **MARY JO MacLELLAN** Requested by the Estate

Thursday, April 8th – 8:20 a.m.

MAY FAUSING Requested by Emma & Vito

Friday, April 9th – 8:20 a.m.

✠ **ISING CALUBAQUIB** Requested by Dorothea Addun

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. Apr. 4 **EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

Homilist: Fr. Andy Macbeth

Thur. Apr. 8 **10:00-11:30am Virtual Zone #3** meeting

Fri. Apr. 9 **1:30pm Pastoral Team** meets in rectory

Sat. Apr. 10 **ANNUAL JEANS DRIVE** drop off in parish hall
8:00am – 3:00pm

Sun. Apr. 11 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)**

Homilist: Deacon Robert Kinghorn

- **Annual Jeans Drive** drop off in parish hall **8:00am – 3:00pm**

- **"Bundle Up Sunday"** for SVDP at St. Eugene's Chapel

Mon. Apr. 12 **Birthday of Fr. Alexander MacDonald**

- Revised **"School Spring Break"**
Apr. 12th – 16th

Sun. Apr. 18 **3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Guest homilist: Fr. Ed Eherer, C.Ss.R.

- **Annual ShareLife Collection**
*First Instalment

Mon. Apr. 19 **Federal Budget** delivered in Parliament

Wed. Apr. 21 **95th Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II**

Fri. Apr. 23 **Birthday of Fr. Michael Lehman, CSB**

Sun. Apr. 25 **4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Guest homilist: Fr. Michael Lehman, CSB

UPDATED PANDEMIC INFORMATION

Daily and **Weekend Masses** at St. Margaret's Church and St. Eugene's Chapel at the regular scheduled times that are **posted on the front of our bulletin**.

However the amended restriction for all sacramental celebrations is **15% of our capacity**. For **St. Margaret's that is 75 persons** and **St. Eugene's Chapel that is 30 persons**. This of course requires that all **physical distancing and the wearing of masks must be maintained** as part of the ongoing pandemic protocols.

***PLEASE NOTE: Seating at all Masses continues to be on "A First Come, First Serve Basis"!**

ONGOING DIRECTIVES

1. The **parish office is closed to the public**. Please contact us by phone only on: Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9:00am – 12noon, 1:00pm – 4:00pm or any day by e-mail at st.marg@sympatico.ca
2. **UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION**
Obviously due to the present restrictions, it becomes even more important to have the e-mail addresses of as many parishioners as possible. If you or you know anyone who may not have already informed the parish office of your e-mail address, we strongly encourage you to contact the parish office during the above scheduled times!
3. **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**
by appointment only
4. The **Church dispensation** from attending Sunday Eucharist, for all the faithful, who are unable to attend Sunday Mass, continues throughout the covid-19 pandemic.

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH!

We will continue to update you as the situation evolves, via our website and parish blast. We pray that you and your loved ones remain safe and healthy. May God continue to bless you now and always!

Special Notice: For the "Enhanced" digital Bulletin version - Check your emails or our website

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

Our Parish is where we are married and bring our children to be baptized. It is where we come to be fed in the Holy Eucharist, be reconciled with God and the world, and hope to leave this world on our final journey to meet the God that we love.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT NOVEMBER 3, 2019

Offertory	\$6,985	PAG	\$835
Budget	\$8,300.00	(480)	

ANNUAL JEANS DRIVE

St. Margaret's is once again holding a drive in support of the Good Shepherd's ministry to Toronto's homeless men. The most requested item is Jeans (sizes 30" – 40" waist). They're warm durable and look pretty good on anyone.

Please bring any donation of jeans (used or new) to the parish hall, anytime between **8:00am – 3:00pm** on **Sat. Apr. 10th & Sun. Apr. 11th**

Homeless men in Toronto may be struggling with all sorts of problems, but there's no reason they can't do so in nice pants!

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EASTER SUNDAY

Imagine, if you will, someone coming to you and saying, "I have something to share with you, something too wonderful to hold back, something that, quite possibly, you will not believe. You may even want to kill me after I say it. I know this, and yet I must speak." Peter, in today's first reading, is driven to bear witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, even though he knows that he will be rejected and suffer for it. When we hear about Peter, filled with the Spirit and with Easter joy, proclaiming the Good News, we hear what we, the baptized, must do as well. In the reading from Colossians, St. Paul reminds us that resurrection is not just a solitary event, but a continuing part of our lives. Because of our baptism, we live anew and are raised with Christ in glory.

WITNESS AND EXPERIENCE

John's Gospel captures the flavour of the Easter morning experience. Picture Mary coming to the tomb in the dark. Feel her confusion, her fear as she discovers that the tomb is empty. Nothing in her life could have prepared her for this moment. Yes, Jesus had told them that he would rise again, but how could they have understood? She run to Peter, heart pounding, tears flowing. Peter and the beloved disciples dash to the tomb, confused and fearful as well. It is Peter who goes in first: Peter, the rock of the church of Christ. He holds the burial cloths in his hands. They stand in the empty tomb, silent. They don't understand yet, but they know that life has changed in a way that they had not thought possible. Their heads swim in confusion, but their hearts burn with the fire of the Spirit. Can it be true? Has Jesus indeed risen? We, too, have stood with Mary, Peter, and all the disciples in the empty tomb, filled with fear and foreboding, yet also with Spirit-enflamed hearts pounding. The power of Easter joy can temper our fears and take us from the tomb out into the world, where we must spread the Good News: **Christ is risen!**

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2021

Living the Gospel by sharing our blessings

ShareLife Sunday is **April 18th**. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is **\$150,000**.

This year we are encouraging you to give at sharelife.org, where you can make a one-time or monthly gift by credit card and designate it to our parish's campaign. Monthly giving is a convenient way to spread your ShareLife contribution over the course of a year.

Using a green ShareLife envelope, found in the pews or available from the parish office, simply fill out the form on the

envelope and include a void cheque. Submit it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket at any time. Contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

PRAYERS & BLESSINGS

Evening Prayers

Jesus, thank You for being my light and my companion today. Thank You for keeping me on the narrow road when I was tempted to judge rather than love. I praise Your holy name and ask that You might grant me a peaceful, restful night to replenish my body and my spirit. Amen.

~ Melanie Rigney

Thank You, God, for all the good You have enabled me to accomplish this day. I am grateful for the beauty of life and for Your help in times when life has been difficult. I ask Your forgiveness for my failings, and I pray that Your children everywhere might enjoy a restful night, filled with as much peace as can possibly be. Amen.

~ Fr. Kenneth E. Grabner, C.S.C.

Loving God, I cannot begin to count the times I relied on You today. Am an unworthy but determined servant of Your holy will, and I am most grateful for Your continued faith in me. Give me a tranquil heart tonight that I may rest in the blessed assurance of Your love. Amen.

~ Deborah A. Meister

From: **Living Faith**

REQUEST FOR MASS INTENTIONS

When requesting Mass Intentions at the parish office, there are two types:

Announced Mass – a date is chosen due to availability and the name of the individual for whom the Mass is being said, along with the name of the person/family requesting the Mass is posted in the bulletin during the week of requested Mass. (Donation \$20)

Unannounced Mass – there is no specific date given for when this Mass would be celebrated and the intention does not appear in the bulletin. (Donation \$10)

It is important to note that when requesting any **Announced Mass**, it is recommended that you contact the parish office as early as possible, as sometimes we have Masses scheduled two months in advance. For both kinds of requests, Mass cards are provided at the office for those making arrangements for these special Masses.

CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS

A SENIOR MOMENT

I heard from elderly buddy who had his Pfizer shot at a local Vaccination Center yesterday.

After the shot, he had blurred vision on the way home. When he got home, he called the Vaccination Center for advice. He asked if he should see his doctor or go to the hospital?

The Vaccination Center told him to definitely NOT go to his doctor and definitely NOT to go to the hospital but to return to the Vaccination Center immediately to pick up his glasses!

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