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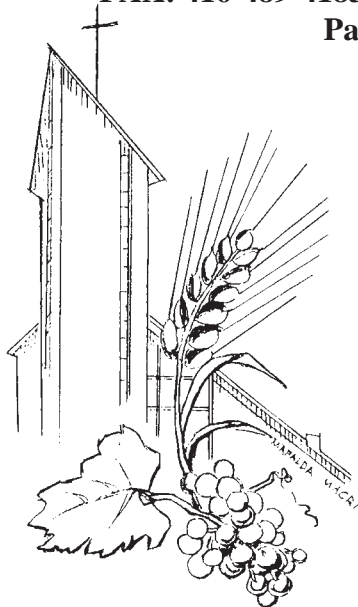
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| Rev. Fr. Andy Macbeth | Pastor |
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| Rev. Mr. Robert Kinghorn | Permanent Deacon |
| Cheryll Varona | Office Manager |
| Richard Kitchen | Custodian |

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

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or www.tcdsb.org

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SUNDAY MASSES:

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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

SUNDAY MASSES:

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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

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| 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

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

Anna Di Carlo 416-788-0899

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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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

NOT ROUTINE

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26

When we do anything often, we run the risk of allowing it to become ordinary. We go to the beach for vacation and can't take our eyes off the crashing waves. But if we live within sight of the beach, eventually, it becomes part of our daily life. We stop paying attention.

The same can happen as we approach the altar to receive the precious and life-giving Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist. For regular Mass-goers, there's the danger of not paying close enough attention to what it is we are doing, of simply going through ritual motions. We can forget we are feeding our souls and proclaiming the life and death of Jesus. We may forget that this is the most important thing we can do this side of heaven.

Jesus, may your Body and Blood transform my life in extraordinary ways.

Steve Givens
From: Living Faith

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 12th – 8:20 a.m.

✠ **ADA WONG** Requested by Emma & Vito Wong

Wednesday, April 14th – 7:00 p.m.

For Thanksgiving Requested by Jane & Nick Seed

Thursday, April 15th – 8:20 a.m.

ALICE FERNANDES Requested by the family

Friday, April 16th – 8:20 a.m.

For Thanksgiving Requested by Tellis family

LOOKING AHEAD

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

Sat. May 1 **FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER**

Sun. May 2 **5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

- **Beginning of Catholic Education Week (May 2 – 7)**
Theme: **"NURTURING HOPE"**

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 APRIL 4, 2021

Offertory **\$6,864** PAG **\$835**
Budget **\$8,300.00** (**\$601**)
Good Friday Collection **\$1,771**

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!

Bundle Up
For the
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
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We are collecting your donations at
St. Eugene's Chapel
13 Regina Avenue, Toronto
On
April 10 - 11, 2021

We **DO NOT ACCEPT** appliances, baby or regular furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction material or video tapes
For more information visit www.ssvptoronto.ca

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

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2021

Next weekend is ShareLife Sunday.

Our parish goal this year is **\$150,000**. As we approach our collection next weekend, please reflect upon your ability to contribute to our parish campaign this year.

The pandemic has placed many of ShareLife agencies funded by ShareLife under great stress as they continue to support the needs of clients. The need is great.

Please deposit your envelope in the collection basket. You can also donate online at sharelife.org. There 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. You can learn more about monthly giving at sharelife.org.

However you give, whatever you give, please give generously to ShareLife.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

PRAYERS & BLESSINGS

Prayer for the Easter Season

Lord Jesus, we rejoice with you during this Easter season – these fifty glorious days following your rising from the grave. We are forever proud to call you our Savior, Redeemer and our divine brother who conquered sin and death. We thank you, Lord, during this great paschal season of grace and glory, to joyfully celebrate your lasting victory and precious pledge for eternal life. Amen.

Morning Prayers

The walking dawn has pushed aside the night and now I thank you, Jesus, for a restful sleep. Today you have given me another wonderful blessing – a precious day to live my life. I offer this day as my entrusted gift of time to honor you, Jesus, and to assist others, being ever mindful of works and prayer. Thy will be done. Amen.
~ Fr. James McKarns

Creator God, you lift me into this new day like a newborn from the waters of baptism, your call a clear as the day you claimed me as your own. Help me to live as your child and to treat each person I meet as a precious creature, made and loved by you. Open wide my heart so that your love may shine through me. Amen.
~ Karla Manternach

Dear Jesus, thank you for the graces of another morning and for another chance to turn my heart to you. As I enter into the hopes and mysteries of this day, I turn to you for guidance, help and protection. You are a Good Shepherd. In the din of this day, may I hear your voice and respond with love. Amen.
~ Sr. Julia Walsh, F.S.P.A.

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st Reading: Acts 4.32-35

2nd Reading: 1 John 5.1-6

Gospel: John 20.19-31 - *Jesus Appears to the Disciples*

Building a Community of Stewardship

As we continue along in this season of Easter, we are invited to reflect on the lives of the early Christians. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles we hear the wonderful account of them living in great unity and joy as they were “of one heart and soul.” It says that “there was not a needy person among them” because everyone shared of their gifts for the good of the entire community.

This is the perfect model of a community where stewardship reigns. A parish community built on stewardship is one in which every member is welcomed, involved and nourished. The parish should be seen as our second home. It is where we join together with our brothers and sisters in Christ so that we can love and serve God side by side.

How well are we contributing to the building up of our community of stewardship? We must all play our own role in building up the Church. In the same way the early Christians offered all of themselves for the sake of the mission, we too should offer all of our gifts to the parish. We should spend time praying in the church and journeying with fellow parishioners through the joys and trials of their lives. Moreover, all of our talents and gifts should be offered up to the service of various ministries and apostolates within the parish. In this way, we will be able to echo the words from the first reading and joyfully proclaim: “There was not a needy person among them.”

Summary

In the first reading we hear the wonderful account of the early Christians living a beautiful community of stewardship in which they were all “of one heart and soul.” Likewise, in the same way the early Christians offered all of themselves for the sake of the Church, we too should offer the gifts of our time and talent to our parish community. In this way, we will be able to echo the words from the first reading and joyfully proclaim: “There was not a needy person among them.”

From: **Stewardship**

CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS

Points to Ponder

- ☺ Why isn't a Fireman called a Water-man?
- ☺ How come lipstick doesn't do what it says?
- ☺ If money doesn't grow on trees, how come Banks have Branches?
- ☺ If a Vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a Humanitarian eat?
- ☺ How do you get off a non-stop Flight?
- ☺ Why are goods sent by *Ship* called CARGO, and those sent by *Truck* SHIPMENT?
- ☺ Why do we put cups in the "Dishwater" and the dishes in the "Cupboard"?

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