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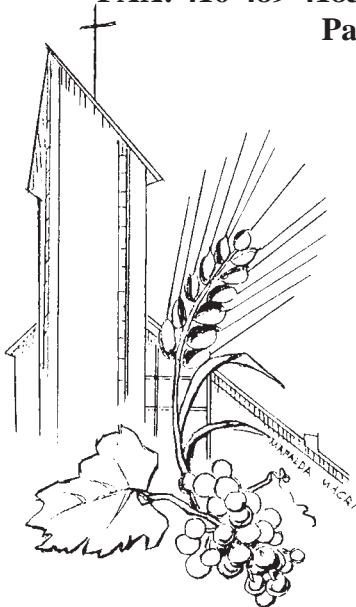
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PASTORAL TEAM

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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

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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

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Anna Di Carlo 416-788-0899

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Miriam Hastings 416-483-7659

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Parish Office 416-485-7781

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Barbara Dillon 416-485-7781

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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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

COMPLETE JOY

And [Jesus] said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day..."

Luke 24:46

When you reminisce about your life, isn't there a mixture of both joyful and sorrowful memories that flow through your mind? It was Jesus' will to share fully in human life, and so both joys and sorrows were a part of his life too. But the final experience of Jesus' life was joy. Suffering and crucifixion gave way to the resurrection, and his resurrection brought an ecstatic joy that would last without end.

What happened to Jesus will also happen to us. Jesus told us that he was going to prepare a place for us, so that where he was, we also would be. We are destined to share in Jesus' resurrected life. In that new life, our joy will no longer be partial or temporary. Our joy will be ecstatic and eternal. And as our love and knowledge of God and God's creation continue to grow, so will our joy! This life is good, but there is ever greater goodness yet to come. Think about how magnificent that will be!

Fr. Kenneth E. Grabner, C.S.C.
From: Living Faith

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 19th – 8:20 a.m.

For the **Protection of Unborn Children** Requested by Tellis family

Wednesday, April 21st – 7:00 p.m.

✠ **VIRGINIA PEREIRA** Requested by the family

Thursday, April 22nd – 8:20 a.m.

✠ **MARY JO Mc LELLAN** Requested by Miriam Hastings

Friday, April 23rd – 8:20 a.m.

✠ **FRANK & MARY GAGULA** Requested by Ivanka Jakopin

LOOKING AHEAD

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"**

Sat. May 8 **ANNUAL "SOCK IT 2 ME DRIVE"**

Drop donations in hall 8:00am – 3:00pm

Sun. May 9 **6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Guest homilist: Fr. Ray Douzich, C.Ss.R.

- **ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR PAPAL CHARITIES**
- **ANNUAL "SOCK IT 2 ME DRIVE"** drop donations in hall 8:00am – 3:00pm
- **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

ANNUAL SOCK IT 2 ME DRIVE

St. Margaret's is once again holding a drive in support of the Good Shepherd's ministry to Toronto's homeless men. This year most desperately needed items are socks (white jogging socks) and underwear (size M-L). We are asking parishioners to bring donations of NEW socks and underwear on Sat. May 8th & Sun. May 9th between 8:00am – 3:00pm and just leave them in the parish

hall. The poor will be with us always but there's no reason they can't be with us with warm feet and clean undies

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 11, 2021

Offertory **\$4,473** PAG **\$835**

Budget **\$8,300.00** (**\$2,992**)

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2021

THIS WEEKEND IS SHARELIFE SUNDAY!

This weekend is the first collection in our parish's annual ShareLife Parish Campaign. The ShareLife mission of "living the Gospel by providing for those in need" is at the core of how we are called to live as Christians.

Our parish goal this year is **\$150,000**. On this ShareLife Sunday, please reflect on your ability to contribute to our campaign this year.

So many people – here in our parish, in our broader community, and around the world – have been severely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Agencies funded by your gift to ShareLife are continuing their work to meet the needs our brothers and sisters. With your help, as we emerge from the pandemic, ShareLife will continue to be there, living the Gospel by providing for those in need.

Please deposit your envelope in the collection basket.

Please give generously

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK 2021

APRIL 18 – 24, 2021

The National Volunteer Week theme for 2021, **The Value of One, The Power of Many**, reflects on the awe-inspiring acts of kindness by millions of individuals AND the magic that happens when we work together towards a common purpose. This past year, we have seen people supporting family, friends, neighbours, and strangers, people standing up to systematic racism, and people sharing insights on how to create a more just and equitable society. We recognize the value of the caring and compassion that each one has shown another, and we recognize the power of people, organizations, and sectors working together.

The power of people working together can bring about monumental changes. We have seen people work together on legislative changes related to impair driving, same sex marriage, and assisted dying.

The theme is a nod to our past, a reflection of our present, and a wink to our future. **The Value of One, The Power of Many** was the theme for National Volunteer Week in 2001, The International Year of Volunteers. It beautifully reflects the individual and collective efforts, we have seen during the pandemic, and it sets the tone for re-imagining the next 20 years as the value of one act and the power of many enables us to thrive together.

#VolunteerBringChange in many ways so what does the "The Value of One, The Power of Many" mean to you?

National Volunteer Week is a time to celebrate, recognize and thank volunteers, and to create awareness for the important work millions do across Canada!

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 3.13-15, 17-19

2nd Reading: 1 John 2.1-5

Gospel: Luke 24.35-48 - *Jesus Appears to His Disciples*

Befriending God

One of the most wholesome and life-giving relationships we can enjoy in this life is that of friendships. The book of Sirach says that “faithful friends are a sturdy shelter; whoever finds one has found a treasure.” Of course, the greatest friendship that we can have is our friendship with God. However, many people find it difficult to see God, the creator of the universe, as a friend. This is why Jesus became incarnate as a man, so that He could reveal God to us in a way that we could more fully grasp.

The Catechism teaches that “Jesus is inseparably true God and true man. He is truly the Son of God who, without ceasing to be God and Lord, became a man and our brother” (CCC 469). Since we know what it is like to befriend other humans, we can extend this same means of friendship to Jesus. However, this friendship doesn’t remain like all of our other friendships. Rather, since Jesus is also fully God, our friendship with Him also implies that we are friends with God.

This beautiful reality of Jesus being both God and man is visible in the Gospel today. Jesus appears to the disciples in His glorious new risen body, yet like all humans, he took a piece of fish and ate it. While this is a small example, it points to the reality of Jesus’ identity. As stewards, our friendship with God is the most important relationship we need to foster. Let us take some time each day in prayer to converse with Jesus as we would a close friend and by doing so, enjoy friendship with God.

Summary

We all love having friends and since we know what it is like to befriend other humans, we can extend this same means of friendship to Jesus because he too is fully human. However, this friendship doesn’t remain like all of our other friendships but is elevated to the status of being friends with God, since Jesus is also fully God. As stewards, let us take some time each day in prayer to converse with Jesus as we would a close friend and by doing so, enjoy friendship with God.

From: **Stewardship**

CARDINAL’S LETTER - SHARELIFE



March 2021

Dear brothers and sisters,

As Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane, he told his disciples: “Remain here, and stay awake with me.” This simple command, recounted in the Gospel of Matthew, captures so much of what it means to be a disciple. It also illustrates how you and I are called to respond to the suffering around us, which has felt so overwhelming since the pandemic began.

When a person in distress calls any one of the 40+ agencies funded by your gift to ShareLife, the first thing they want to know is, “Does this person care about me?” Apart from the specific help they are seeking, they want to know they aren’t alone – that they matter.

Sharon Mayne Devine, the director of Catholic Family Services Peel/Dufferin, says Jesus’ words in the garden inspire her agency’s work. The circumstances of her clients, such as victims of domestic violence, are difficult to bear. But she is committed to “staying awake” in that moment. “When people feel witnessed and seen,” she says, “their hope goes up. They believe they can go on.”

Will you, too, stay awake? As the pandemic continues, we may grow tired of thinking about those in need. But our community agencies on the front lines cannot continue their vital work without you. Your support enables:

- an elderly woman, living alone and afraid of Covid-19, to receive regular check-ins and weekly grocery hampers;
- a Deaf child, living with family members who do not speak sign language, to connect with other Deaf peers and not feel so isolated;
- a young man struggling with addiction, worsened by the pandemic, to access a drug rehabilitation program that will save his life.

These are but a few examples of how your support is tangibly improving thousands of lives. As poor and marginalized people continue to be hit hardest by the pandemic, their needs are greater now than ever.

Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it’s crucial we meet our parish campaign goal of \$13.8 million. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part.

As disciples of Our Lord, we “remain here, and stay awake” with Him when we bear witness to those in need around us, in whom He is present. Please join me in saying yes to His call by giving to the ShareLife Campaign to the best of your ability.

Sincerely,

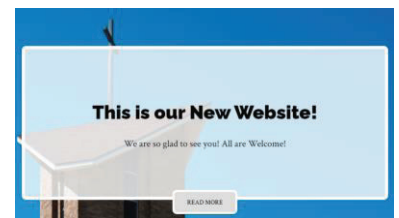
+ Thomas Card. Collins

Thomas Cardinal Collins
Archbishop of Toronto

PS Pope Francis says, “To live charitably means not looking out for our own interests, but carrying the burdens of the weakest and poorest among us.” Thank you for your compassionate concern for those in need.

WE ARE EXCITED TO SHARE WITH YOU OUR NEW WEBSITE

Our new website, aside from being aesthetically pleasing, is more interactive, AODA compliant and is easier to navigate. We are excited of the new experience, but we know there’s still work to do. In the coming months, we hope to continue improving the site that it best serves how we communicate with you.



We encourage you to visit and explore our new website (same address) stmargaretofscotland.archtoronto.org

CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS

Three brothers, age 92, 94, and 96 live in a house together. One night the 96-year-old draws a bath, puts his foot in and pauses. He yells down the stairs, “Was I getting in or out of the bath?”

The 94-year-old yells back, “I don’t know, I’ll come up and see.” He starts up the stairs and pauses, then he yells, “Was I going up the stairs or coming down?”

The 92-year-old was sitting at the kitchen table having coffee listening to his brothers. He shakes his head and says, “I sure hope I never get that forgetful.”

He knocks on wood for good luck, then yells, “I’ll come up and help both of you as soon as I see who’s at the door.”

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