



Parish Week

*One does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes
From The mouth of God..*

Sunday, 3 Apr. 2022

Saturday, 2 Apr./ St. Francis of Paola, *hermit*

- 8.00 am Mass: † Lumina Dominguez (daughter)
- 5.00 pm Mass: † Lalita D'Souza (Joseph)

SUNDAY, 3 APR. / LENT 5-C

■ *Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Alford Williams (Samanthi)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Holy Souls Lemos family (Thomas & Sally)
- 12.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving & Sp. Intentions (Dominic & Anita)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 4 Apr. / St. Isidore, *bishop & doctor*

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Sr. Alice Harris (Yvonne Lopez)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Mary D'Cunha 13th Birthday (parents)
- 7.40 pm Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent meeting

Tuesday, 5 Apr. / St. Vincent Ferrer, *priest*

- 8.00 am Mass: † Salcino Dominguez (Merinda & Lydia)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Mina Kapadia (Mukesh)

Wednesday, 6 Apr.

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. William Gittins (Yvonne Lopez)
- 9.30 am St. Maria Goretti School 1st Reconciliation
- 12.00 pm Mass for CCAS Staff
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Sylvester & Elizabeth Gonsalves (Christine Martin)

Thursday, 7 Apr. / St. John Baptist de La Salle, *priest*

- 8.00 am Mass: † Noel Fernando (Erma & family)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Barbara Gacusana (Evelyn, Mom)

Friday, 8 Apr.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Simon Boila (Aruna)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Vittoria Mastronardi (Michael Ruocco)
- 7.30 pm Stations of the Cross (Knights of Columbus)

Saturday, 9 Apr.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (family)
- 5.00 pm Mass: † Gabriel & Francis Andreas (Pushpa Christy family)

SUNDAY, 10 APR. / PALM SUNDAY

- 9.00 am Mass: † Lydia Marquez (family)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Josefina Mabaquiao (Emelita Gotera)
- 12.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Birthday Elizabeth Sargent (Kathleen, Mom)
- 1.30 pm Infant Baptism
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

5th Sunday of Lent, Year C

Isaiah 43.16-21; Philipians 3.8-14; John 8.1-11

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Rui Borges, Ellen Cannon, Edita De Guzman, Margaret Donison, Jean Hennebury, Ananias Lim, Matteo Lombardi, Susan McConkey, Nilda Quirino, Anne Rode, Varghese Varambinakath, Grantham Visser

The **7,415 civilians** that were killed in March & April 2003 during the US/UK invasion of Iraq.

Lenten Masses

During Lent, there will be an evening Mass at 7.00 pm Monday to Friday, from Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday.

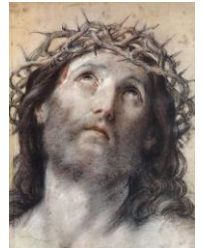
Stations of the Cross

Each Friday during Lent, the *Stations of the Cross* will be prayed congregationally after the 7.00 pm Mass.

For private use, the parish *Stations of the Cross* booklet may be obtained at the office for \$2.

The remaining Facilitators for 2022 will be:

- April 8 **Knights of Columbus**
- 15 **Lectors**



Calling all Palms

Bring in your *old blessed palms* by the Sunday before Holy Week (3 April). Kindly place them in the *palm bin* in the Vestibule.

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- 10 Apr. **Palm Sunday:** *Holy Week* begins
- 14 Apr. **Holy Thursday:** *Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper;*
- Adoration until midnight
- 15 Apr. **Good Friday:** *The Passion of Our Lord*
- 17 Apr. **Easter Sunday:** *Resurrection of Our Lord;*
2 Collections: (a) *Offertory;* (b) *Easter*

- 22 Apr. Wedding: Jefferson – Richein (1:00 pm)
- 23 Apr. Wedding: Belen – Albino (1:00 pm)
- 24 Apr. 2nd Collection: **Maintenance**
- 1 May *ShareLife* Collection (2nd Offering)
- 2 May Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
- 8 May Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
- 11 May Wedding: Camigo - Dos Remedios
- 14 May Wedding: Newton - Amalrajah (11:30 am)

Website stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org

For more information on Parish activities, such as the schedule of upcoming **Sacramental** celebrations, check pages 3 and following in the website bulletin.

ShareLife 2022



We have launched our 2022 *ShareLife* Campaign. *ShareLife* is LIVING THE GOSPEL by respecting and caring for life at all stages!

ShareLife agencies serve everyone

Today's Gospel shares the parable of the woman accused of adultery, a message of Our Lord's great love, forgiveness and respect for all people.

Likewise, *ShareLife* agencies are there to support the most vulnerable and marginalized members of our communities. *ShareLife*-funded social service agencies have an 'open intake policy' and provide help based on *need*, not on religion, lifestyle, gender or ethnicity.

With last week's *ShareLife* collection, our parishioners have contributed generously toward our goal of:

\$42,000.00

However you can give, and *whatever* you can give, please give generously to *ShareLife*. The needs are great.

We thank you for your faithful support!

Giving to reach our Parish Goal

Our parish goal for 2022 is: \$ **42,000.00**

BY WAY OF COMPARISON:

1 cup Tim Horton's coffee (small)	\$	1.59
1 McDonald's hamburger	\$	1.69
1 bottle <i>Toro Bravo</i> wine (Spain)	\$	8.95
1 bottle Black Bowmore DB5 Scotch whisky	\$	85,000.00
Russian tycoon Alisher Usmanov's yacht	\$	735,000,000.00
Buckingham Palace	\$	2,700,000,000.00

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCTION (2021)

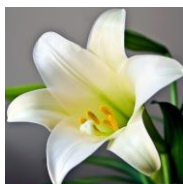
Bhutan	\$	2,740,000,000.00
Mongolia	\$	15,830,000,000.00
Canada	\$	2,189,786,000,000.00
U.K.	\$	3,442,205,000,000.00

CORPORATE VALUE (2022)

Amazon	\$	1,690,000,000,000.00
Alphabet	\$	1,920,000,000,000.00
Microsoft	\$	2,530,000,000,000.00
Apple	\$	3,100,000,000,000.00

Easter Flowers

Parishioners are invited to sponsor this year's display of EASTER FLOWERS in our Sanctuary. Envelopes are available at the office.



A Special Gift ALTAR FLOWERS

Our Parish gratefully thanks **Lochchana Bakery** for their gift of a beautiful flower arrangement for the funeral of † **Alford Walton Williams**, held on 4 February, following his death on 20 January. The arrangement remained in front of the pulpit for all Masses on 5 & 6 February. Your kindness is sincerely appreciated.

Sacramental Preparation

We continue with the *Presentations* on the Sacraments for those who received Confirmation and 1st Communion in 2021. This is in conjunction with the formal preparation for **1st Holy Communion & Confirmation** for students now in Grades 2 & 7.

The *Presentation* videos are on line, along with the accompanying family guide texts. The next scheduled celebrations are:

- April 6 St. Maria Goretti School 1st **Reconciliation**
- May 1 St. Maria Goretti School 1st **Communion**
- 5 St. Maria Goretti School **Confirmation**

RCIA, RCIC



Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children

Please remember in your prayers the Adults and Youth who will be receiving Sacraments of Initiation at the 5.00 pm Mass on Saturday, 19 March: *Baptism, Confirmation* and the *Eucharist*. The next Initiation will be at the Easter Vigil.

The RCIA meets Friday evenings at 7.30 pm; the parallel RCIC process for the Youth meets Saturday mornings.

The next meetings:

RCIA Adults, 1 & 15 April, following the 7.30 pm *Stations of the Cross*;

RCIC Youth, 10.00 am, 2 April, and a special meeting on Saturday, 9 April for the Candidates for Initiation at the Easter Octave, 23 April.



Good Friday Collection

15 April: *Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land*

We pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. We feel that Jerusalem is our home and our family. *My home is within you* (Psalm 87, 7). The Psalm reminds us of our ties to the Church of Jerusalem, mother of all the churches of the world.

The Church in the Holy Land appeals for our solidarity. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection is an opportunity to respond. By our prayer and support, our community can ensure a significant contribution for the faithful; to charitable and social works; as well as to the care of the Holy Sites and the training of future priests.

By supporting the Church and its work in the Holy Land we are looking after ourselves and our own spiritual heritage. We allow Christians who are sorely tested to remain steadfast and be witnesses of reconciliation and peace. We support men and women who care and provide access to the Holy Sites, the living memory of Jesus. For more information please visit www.commissariat.ca.



“As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our archdiocesan appeal during this Lent!

- *Cardinal Thomas Collins*

Family Services

- Catholic Family Services of Durham
- Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin
- Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County
- Catholic Family Services of Toronto (416) 921-1163
- Catholic Community Services of York Region
- FertilityCare Toronto (416) 465-2868
- Natural Family Planning Association | (416) 481-5465

Children and Youth

- Camp Ozanam (416) 364-5577
- Covenant House (416) 598-4898
- Office of Catholic Youth (416) 599-7676
- Sancta Maria House (416) 925-7333
- Youth-In-Transition (416) 598-4898

People with Special Needs

- Mary Centre of Toronto (416) 630-5533
- Our Place Community of Hope (416) 598-2919
- Saint Elizabeth Health Care (905) 940-9655
- Silent Voice Canada (416) 463-1104
- St. Bernadette Family Resource Centre (416) 654-9810
- St. Michael's / Matt Talbot Houses (416) 926-8267
- Street Haven at the Crossroads (416) 967-6060

Elderly People

- Centres d'Accueil Héritage | (416) 365-3350
- LA Centre for Active Living | (416) 452-4875
- Providence Healthcare | (416) 285-3666
- Society of Sharing | (416) 413-0380

Immigrants and Refugees

- Catholic Cross-Cultural Services | (416) 757-7010
- Office for Refugees | (416) 934-0606 ext. 804

Single and Teen Parents

- Rosalie Hall | (416) 438-6880
- Rose of Durham Young Parents Support Services | (905) 432-3622 (Oshawa) | (289) 385-1160 (Ajax)
- Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers | (905) 853-5514
- Vita Centre | (905) 502-7933

Education of Clergy

- St. Augustine's Seminary | (416) 261-7207
- Office of Vocations | (416) 968-0997
- Redemptoris Mater Seminary | (416) 264-9477

International Development and Missions

- Canadian Catholic Organization for Development & Peace | (416) 922-1592
- Pastoral Mission Fund | (416) 934-0606 ext. 567

Agency Support, Advocacy and Volunteer Development

- Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto | (416) 934-3401

Special Projects

Special Project funding was directed to our Parish Outreach to Seniors pilot project, Grief Reconciliation for Young Mothers pilot project and Shared Services between agencies for financial management, human resources and information technology.

Grants-in-aid Agencies

- The deVeber Institute
- Birthright International - Toronto
- Toronto Right to Life
- New Beginnings
- Canadian Food for Children
- Good Shepherd Ministries
- St. John Paul the Great Family Centre
- Hospital Chaplaincy
- Special grants allocated by Catholic Charities *

* Catholic Charities, with the support of *ShareLife*, provided additional community grants for services to those who are hungry, homeless and dying; to refugees and immigrants; to children living in poverty; and for prison ministry through community reintegration programs.

Sacramental Preparation

The Sacramental Preparation programs are now underway in our Parish Schools. Video presentations have been uploaded to our website, and family guides are available as well.

The next scheduled celebrations are:

April

- 6 St. Maria Goretti School
1st **Reconciliation**, 9.30 am

May

- 1 St. Maria Goretti School
1st **Holy Communion Mass**, 2.30 pm
- 5 St. Maria Goretti School
Confirmation Mass, 7.00 pm
- 14 St. Albert the Great School
1st **Holy Communion Mass**, 2.00 pm
- 19 St. Albert the Great School
Confirmation Mass, 7.00 pm

Thanks to all families who submitted the registration forms for 1ST COMMUNION students of **St Albert the Great School**. Late registrations may be submitted at Mass until 3 April; see the pastor, **Fr. Edwin**.

CONFIRMATION for students *who are not in our Parish Schools* will go ahead this Spring. Families may now contact **Fr. Edwin** after any Sunday Mass to enroll Candidates who are in Grade 7 (or above, due to the pandemic). Preparation will begin immediately, so the Sacrament can be celebrated before the Summer.



1st Holy Communion photo of **Dr. Luciano Marra, PhD.**, 30 Dec. 1960 - 4 July 2018.





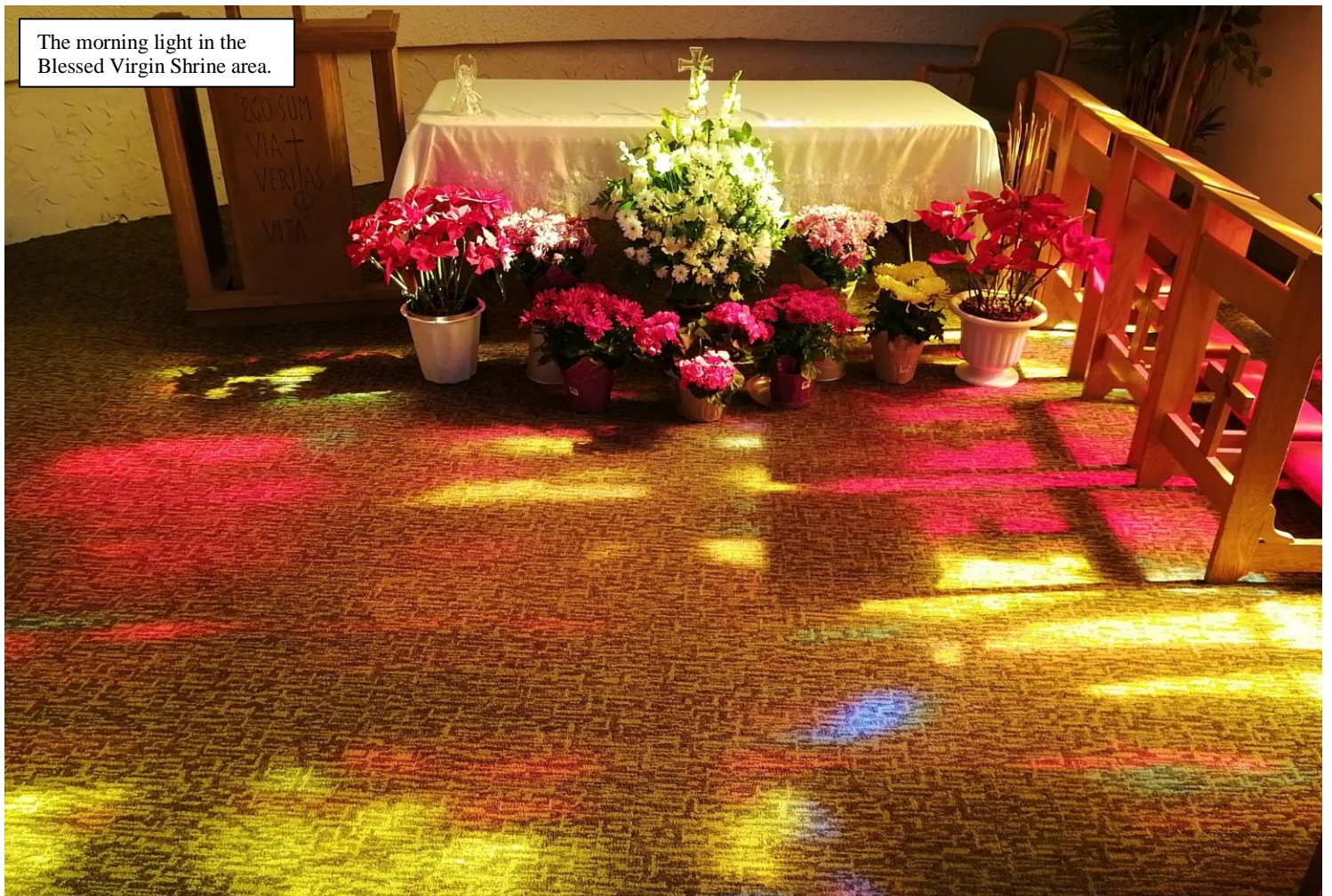
Patrick Abon receives his Blessing in Preparation for Baptism, 17 March (*St. Patrick Day*).



The RCIC groups gathers for a blessing after their Saturday meeting, 5 February.



Ezmon Villardo celebrates his 15th birthday, 9 January 2022.



The morning light in the Blessed Virgin Shrine area.



Photo by Anthony Galloro.

