

Parish Week

Jesus, I trust in You Jezu ufam Tobie

Sunday, 1 May 2022

Saturday, 30 Apr. / St. Pius V, pope

8.00 am Mass: † Noel Fernando (Christa Hahn)
5.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Frontline Workers (CWL, Council SMG)

- Saturday Class 1st Communion

SUNDAY, 1 MAY. / EASTER 3-C

■ Homilist:Fr. Edwin Galea

■ 2^{nd} Collection: ShareLife Collection (2^{nd} offering)

9.00 am Mass: † Deceased Bastiampillai family members (Caroline)

10.30 am Mass: † Alex Rodrigues (D'Souza family)

12.00 pm Mass: † Julie Menezes (Lillian D'Souza & family)

2.30 pm St. Maria Goretti School 1st Communion Mass

7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday 2 May / St. Athanasius, bishop & doctor

8.00 am Mass: † Santi Gomes (Aruna Boila)

7.00 pm Mass: Int. Freddy Martel (Grandparents)

7.40 pm Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent meeting

Tuesday, 3 May / Ss. Philip & James, apostles

8.00 am Mass: † Razmik, Yeranooki & Haikas Simonian (Christine Martin)

Wednesday, 4 May / Blessed Marie-Leonie Paradis

8.00 am Mass: Int. Penumerthy's family

Thursday, 5 May

8.00 am Mass: † Debbie Austin (Deb Paciej)

7.00 pm St. Maria Goretti School Confirmation Mass

Friday, 6 May / St. François de Laval

8.00 am Mass: † Matteo Lombardi (Alphonse & Bella Comeau)

6.00 pm Holy Hour

7.00 pm Mass: † Jolly Tupas (Joel)

7.30 pm RCIA Adults

Saturday, 7 May

8.00 am Mass: † Julie Menezes (Rufina & Eric Pinto)

7.30 pm RCIC Youth

1.00 pm 25th Wedding Anniversary

Fernando & Catherine Ortiz

5.00 pm Mass: † Gabriel Andreas (Gracious)

SUNDAY, 8 MAY / EASTER 4-C

■ Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo

9.00 am Mass: † Michele Pisciola (Irma) 10.30 am Mass: Int. Lily Mandyam (friends) 12.00 pm Mass: † Castora Serneo (Helen)

1.30 pm Infant Baptism7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

3rd Sunday of Easter, Year C Acts 5.28-41; Revelation 5.11-14; John 21.1-19

May your people exult forever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Patrick De Caires, Rafael Victorino

The 10 security guards in Dasht, Pakistan by Balochistan Liberation Front

2nd Collection:1 May: ShareLife

On 1 May, the second collection will be the 2nd Offering for our annual *ShareLife Appeal*, for all the agencies that help us to live the



Gospel by caring for our brothers and sisters in need.

If you use a recycled envelope marked "ShareLife," please remember to write your own Sunday envelope number on top.

COMING UP

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11 May	Wedding: Camigo - Dos Remedios (2.00 pm);
	- Evening of Adoration, sponsored by the
Toronto Archdiocese Office of Catholic Youth (6.00 – 8.30 pm);	
	- Memorial Mass for: † Patrick De Caires (7 pm)
14 May	Wedding: Newton - Amalrajah (11:30 am);
	- St. Albert School 1st Holy Communion Mass (2.00 pm)
19 May	St. Albert School, Confirmation Mass (7.00 pm)
21 May	Wedding: Andres - Dela Cruz (1:00 pm)
22 May	2 nd Collection: <i>Pope's Works</i> ;
-	- SVP Bundle Up Sunday
29 May	2 nd Collection: <i>Maintenance</i>
5 June	2 nd Collection: ShareLife (3 rd Offering)
6 June	Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
11 June	Wedding: Mark Ironmonger & Ceara Tsoi-A-Sue (11:30 am)
12 June	2 nd Collection: Marygrove Camp;
26.1	- Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
26 June	2 nd Collection: Maintenance
27 June	St. Albert School Graduation Mass (10:00 am);
	- The Graduation Ceremony (5:30 pm)
1 July	Canada Day
6 July	Parish Feastday: St. Maria Goretti

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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

Our 2022 *ShareLife* Campaign is underway. *ShareLife* is LIVING THE GOSPEL by bringing the hands of Christ to those in need. It is making a difference.

We are fortunate to have *ShareLife*-funded agencies that reach out to the marginalized in our communities, especially so during the pandemic.

As Catholics, we are called to care for one another. One of the ways we do this is through our support of *ShareLife*. We express this love and care by supporting the work of ShareLife-funded agencies. Through their programs and services, we are able to fulfill this commandment.

As a pastor, it is reassuring to know I can refer those who come to me for guidance with difficult family issues to a Catholic Family Service agency that will be attentive to our beliefs and values as they help them.

These services are made possible through our generosity toward *ShareLife*. When you support these agencies, you are helping them to grow in response to the increased demand for service they face. This results in a positive impact on the lives of those who turn to them for help.

Thank you for "living the Gospel" through our parish *ShareLife* campaign. If you have not contributed to date, please consider doing so.

Since our *ShareLife* campaign began, our parishioners have contributed generously toward our goal of: \$42,000.00.

Thank you for your faithful support! Please give generously. The next *ShareLife* Sunday is today, 1 May.

A Special Gift BAGS

Our Parish thanks **Corine Maulion** for her kind donation of a supply of MERCHANDISE BAGS to assist in the distribution of donated masks at our Liturgies. Your gift is appreciated.

RCIA, RCIC



Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children

Please remember in your prayers the Adults who received Sacraments of Initiation, and joined/renewed their membership in the Church at the Easter Vigil on 16 April; and the Youth who were Initiated at the 5 pm Mass on 23 April.

Do you want to join the Church? Do you want your children to honour God and live a life of faith-filled spirituality? Call the Pastor, Fr. Edwin, for details: 416-261-0076.

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

The next meetings:

RCIA Adults: 6 May, 7.30 pm RCIC Youth: 7 May, 10.00 am.

Catholic Education Week 2022

Catholic Education Week 2022 begins Sunday, 1 May. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the gift of publicly funded Catholic education, which has existed in Ontario since 1841.



The CEW biblical quote is:

"Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy." (1 Peter 1:8)

OCY Adoration Evening 11 May

The Archdiocesan *Office of Catholic Youth* is holding an Evening of Adoration on Wednesday, 11 May, 5.30 - 9 pm. The program:

7:55 5:30 Set up / Music Silent Adoration 7:00 Exhortation, Music Mass 8:15 7:35 Testimony 8:25 Benediction 7:40 Exposition 8:30 Closing hymn 7:45 Exhortation, Music 8:40 Social

Upcoming Weddings

 $(\textit{Congratulations}) \ \textbf{Allan D'Souza} \ \textit{and} \ \textbf{Annabelle D'Souza}$

23 April 2022

St. George's Catholic Church, Wembley, London, England

Ron Perwin Mariyathasan and Barbra Ratnam

9 July 2022 St. Rose of Lima Parish

Abe Sena and **Jan Wage** 16 July 2022

Anojan Kathiramalairajah and Suesana Manoharan

20 August 2022 Our Lady of Good Health Parish



Darlene Pabitou and Ananth Mariathas at their Wedding, 6 Nov. 2021

Confirmation

Celebrating the Sacrament

PROCEDURE FOR THE CONFIRMANDI

This year, the Confirmandi will be seated with their Sponsors and families.

Each family will occupy one pew. (The Church has 5 sections of pews, each with at least 12 rows.) At the time of the Anointing, the Teachers will assist the families to approach the Sanctuary. For practical reasons, the Celebrant will Anoint one Candidate from each section at a time, then move on to the next section to allow the previous family to move out of the way, return to their pew, and allow another family to take their place.

Entrance Rite

Greeting

BISHOP: My friends,

we have come together on this joyous occasion to celebrate the Eucharist during which the Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred. Through Baptism, these young people became our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Through Confirmation,

they will be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to give witness to their faith as disciples of Christ.

Collect

BISHOP: Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, almighty and merciful God, that the Holy Spirit, coming near and dwelling graciously within us, may make of us a perfect temple of his glory.

Liturgy of the Word

1st Reading Acts 2.1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because all heard them speaking in their own languages. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own language?

Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and converts, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

The Word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm Musician to lead

2nd Reading Romans 8:8-17

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans
Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are
not in the flesh; you are in the spirit, since the Spirit of God
dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of
Christ does not belong to him.

But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit dwelling in you. So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel John 20.19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Confirmation Liturgy

Presentation of the Candidates

After the Gospel is proclaimed the Presider directs the Candidates to remain standing for their Presentation. All others may be seated. Then the Presider invites a Teacher to present the Candidates.

Homily

Renewal of Baptism Promises

The Bishop invites the Candidates to Renew The promises by which they joined the community of believers, the Church. He asks them:



Do you renounce Satan and all his works and empty promises?

Response: I do.

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth?

Response: I do.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

Response: I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who today through the Sacrament of Confirmation is given to you in a special way just as he was given to the Apostles on the day of Pentecost?

Response: I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

Response: I do.

This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church. We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Laying on of Hands

The Bishop faces the people and introduces the prayer. Then he (and any concelebrating Priests) extend their hands over the Candidates, and ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit upon them.

BISHOP: My dear friends, in Baptism God our Father gave the new birth of eternal life to His chosen sons and daughters. Let us pray to our Father that He will pour out the Holy Spirit to strengthen His children with His gifts and anoint them to be more like Christ, the Son of God.

(Bishop stretches out his hands over the Candidates, and prays:)

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who brought these your servants to new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, freeing them from sin. Send upon them, O Lord, the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete; give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety; fill them with the spirit of the fear of the Lord. Through Christ our Lord. *R*. Amen.

Anointing with Sacred Chrism

The Bishop prepares for the Anointing. Candidates leave their pew in an orderly manner, and approach the Sanctuary. Each candidate will stand before the Bishop. The Sponsor places their right hand on the Candidate's right shoulder.

The assistant to the Bishop will present the Candidate's name card. The Bishop takes some **Chrism**, addresses the Candidates by their **Confirmation Name**, and makes the **Sign of the Cross** on their foreheads, saying:

Bishop: "______CONFIRMATION NAME

be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Newly Confirmed: "AMEN."

Bishop: "Peace be with you."

Newly Confirmed: "AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT."

Prayer of the Faithful

The newly-Confirmed read the Intercessions.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace, Agnus Dei

Communion

All who are free to receive Holy Communion may approach the Sanctuary following the Sunday procedure: Exit the pew from the left side, approach the Communion station and receive, then return to the pew from the right side.

Prayer after Communion

BISHOP: Let us pray.

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this one heavenly Bread one in mind and heart.

Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Concluding Rite

Final Blessing and Dismissal

Following the Dismissal and Concluding Hymn, the Candidates and their families may take photos. The Priests will be available for posed photos on either side of the Altar. Candidates form two lines along the walls, one to the left of the Pulpit, and one to the right of the Priest's Chair. They may approach the Altar one at a time for a personal photo with a Priest.



Sacramental Preparation

The Sacramental Preparation programs are now underway in our Parish Schools. Video presentations have been uploaded to our website, with family guides linked to them. Click on the line below each video, which reads: "For more information, click here."

The next scheduled celebrations are:

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**.

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.

Mother's Day Cakes and Flowers

Catholic Women's League, 8 May, 8.30 am – 2 pm

On Sunday, 8 May, the *Catholic Women's League* will hold a Mother's Day CAKE AND FLOWER SALE in the Church Vestibule, from 8.30 to 2.00 pm. Come treat yourself to some awesome creations!



Food for the World

As we celebrate the Eucharist, the true nourishment for eternal life, we pray that all people may live free from the fear of hunger.









Murdered Vietnamese priest forgave his killer

A young Dominican priest who was stabbed to death while hearing in Viotnam forgava his murdarar

confessions in a Church in Vietnam forgave his murderer before his death.

Father Joseph Tran Ngoc Thanh, 41, was stabbed multiple times at Sa Loong sub-parish in Kon Tum Diocese on 29 January 2022. He died from severe head wounds in a hospital hours later.

Bishop Aloisius Nguyen Hung Vi of Kon Tum told *Fides* news agency that Father Thanh forgave his murderer before his death. The slain priest lived the Gospel values, which was shown in his forgiveness to his killer before death. The alleged killer, Nguyen Van Kien, is a Catholic and his family said he was not insane, but lethargic. He did not practice his faith.

The Bishop was joined by other Priests when he visited the Church within Dak Mot parish in Central Highlands of Vietnam, where the slain priest served ethnic groups. During the visit, Bishop Vi met with local Catholics including those present at the crime scene where the priest was stabbed. Local parishioners shared how they subdued attacker Kien and handed him over to police. Bishop Vi sought prayers of Catholics "so that the soul of Father Joseph may enjoy the face of our Father in Heaven."

The prelate also appealed to them to pray and support all the priests and religions. Bishop Vi paid tribute to Father Thanh for his remarkable services to the diocese. He said, "Father Thanh was a very young priest and was known as an educated, kind and affable man. He was very dedicated to the work of formation of the laity and to the missionary ministry in the diocese of Kon Tum. His death is a great loss for the diocese, for the Dominicans and for his loved ones."

He also added, "May the mysteries surrounding this tragedy soon be cleared soon," referring to rumors about motives of the murder.

Father Thanh was born on Aug. 10, 1981, in Ho Chi Minh City. He professed his religious vows with the Dominican order on 13 August 2010. He was ordained a Priest on 4 August 2018, in Kon Tum, the capital of Kon Tum province in Central Highlands of Vietnam, near the borders of Laos and Cambodia.

The priest dedicated himself to serving ethnic groups in the Kon Tum Diocese, where there is a relative lack of priests.













