

*Sunday, April 20, 2025*



*The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.*

*- Lk 24:1b-3*

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, April 21, 2025**

8:15 am: + Paul Tjioe

**Tuesday, April 22, 2025**

8:15 am: + Carmelo Tocci

7:00 pm: Thanksgiving for Florida Alegrid

**Wednesday, April 23, 2025**

8:15 am: + Shirley Steinwall

**Thursday, April 24, 2025**

8:15 am: + Ponciano D. Cruz

**Friday, April 25, 2025**

8:15 am: + Ma. Emmanuel Cardizabal

7:00 pm: + Sean Joseph Kelly

+ Albertina Abreu & Ernstena Caires

**Saturday, April 26, 2025**

8:15 am: + Ma. Emmanuel Cardizabal

5:00 pm: + Teresa Willis

**Sunday, April 27, 2025**

8:30 am: + Michael Troy

10:00 am: + Patrick D'Souza

12:00 pm: St. Patrick's Parishioners

7:00 pm: + Emily & Arthur Brown



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## Easter Sunday

**Mini Reflection:** Everybody's trying to find God. They may not admit it. They may not even know it. But the search defines them, and it defines us.

### The Search

Everybody's trying to find God. They may not admit it. They may not even know it. They may talk around it, shy away from saying the name, both to others and to themselves: *God*. But I know for a fact that every person who was ever born into this world spent their lives searching for Him - somewhere, somehow, even if the only place they thought to look was in money or drugs. It's a comforting fact, really — a reminder of how alike we all are. Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, atheist, rich, poor, Black, white. When it comes right down to it, the history of humanity is a never-ending Easter morning scene that plays in perpetuity. The sorrow, the shock, the confusion. Again and again, as each newborn baby opens his eyes, the search begins anew. *Where did he go? What has happened? Where can I find him?*

Catechesis isn't enough. Even those who learn about Jesus Christ, who accept his word, hang hesitantly outside the tomb, afraid to go in. Jesus' best friend — the disciple whom he loved — ran faster than Peter, so desperate he was to find his Lord. But when he got to the tomb and saw it empty, he got spooked. He froze. Sometimes, we expect God to be right where we left Him — in a certain parish, with a certain priest, in a certain relationship, at a certain job. We show up, and we're heartbroken to see that our expectations have been turned upside down. *He's left us*, we think dejectedly, but we're wrong.

There is no one who has been abandoned by God. There are only those who stop looking for Him. Don't let the empty tombs define you. It's the search that defines you.

**Office Hours:** Please note the parish office is closed from Good Friday to Easter Monday and will reopen on Tuesday, April 22 at 9:00am.

### Chapel Hours for Holy Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 17: Closed from 6:00pm

Good Friday, April 18: Closed

Holy Saturday, April 19: Closed

Easter Sunday, April 20: Opens after 8:30am Mass

Regular hours will resume after Easter Sunday

### ***Please Pray for the Sick...***

*Please pray for our parishioners, family and friends who have requested our prayers:* Alessia & Tony Commisso, Tina MacPherson, Damien Chaytor, Humberto Casimiro, Charmaine Menezes, Maria Bizzaro, Thomas Chircop, George Blanchette, Sonia Miranda, Suzy Zahra, Marcelle Caruana, Maria Bowman, Paul Celia, Alix Meikle, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Royston Guilford, Jacintha Fernandes, Anna Iafate, Dominic Alvia, Manuel Bienvenido Locsin, Theresa Boutilier, John Ngoc Truong, Maureen Tierney, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Jonathan Pinto, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Fruto Relator, Virginia Torrefranca, Carole Bullock, Pat Mooney, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara, Maria Maddelena, Chris Troughton, Nikola Brodar, Rita Pinto, Henryka Zebrowska, Therese Torrefranca, Benedict De Castro, Tessie Morales, Natalie Troughton, Michael Healey, Melissa Castillo, Marisa Castillo, Gladys Castillo, Teresa Kuervens, Teresa Marchese, Antonio Marchese, Wojtek Stanislowski, Theresa Fraiser, Beata, Arthur Moniz, Pasqua Dimucho, Camila M. Binauhai, Oliver Pinto



*On behalf of Fr. Brian, Maria, Beatrice, Mark, Krystal, Dave, Andrea, Dominic and I, we would like to wish each of you a Holy and Blessed Easter filled with the New Life that Jesus gave us at our Baptism.*

—Fr. John

### **Save the Date!**

March for Life 2025 takes place in Ottawa on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Join thousands of pro lifers from across the nation on Parliament Hill to defend life in all its stages, from conception until natural death. Bus will leave from Sts. Peter and Paul Church at 6:30 am. Details to follow. To reserve a seat on the bus, please contact: Clare (905) 625-7213



### **ShareLife**

After the first collection, the parish has donated **\$41,920.25** so far out of our parish goal of **\$156,500.00**.

**The second collection will be on May 4<sup>th</sup> and another on June 8<sup>th</sup>**, but donations can be given at any time either directly through the ShareLife office or through the parish.

Please make sure your donations are allocated to Share Life—St. Patrick's Church, Mississauga. There are also envelopes in your parish donation boxes. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

—Fr. John

### **2025 ACTS Spring Retreats**

**ACTS** is an acronym for:

**A**doration – God's Call, your acceptance and answer  
**C**ommunity – love and caring for each other  
**T**heology – "studying" through scripture and our faith  
**S**ervice – to God and His people

*"Come and renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and to apply it to your daily life."*

**Women's Retreat – May 22 – 25, 2025**

**Men's Retreat – June 19 - 22, 2025**

**Sponsoring Parish: St. Francis of Assisi, Mississauga**

Retreat Location: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre - 1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga, ON

Women's Contact: Rebecca Williams (1-905-978-3507) or [rebecca7623@gmail.com](mailto:rebecca7623@gmail.com)

Men's Contact: Don Schreader (416-917-6551) or [donschreader@gmail.com](mailto:donschreader@gmail.com)

For more info, please visit our website: [www.actscanada.org](http://www.actscanada.org)

### **EDGE Camp**

Calling all youth in grades 6, 7 & 8!

We are going to EDGE Camp this summer on August 24-28! Please contact Dave at [dquevarra@archtoronto.org](mailto:dquevarra@archtoronto.org) for more information!

