

Sunday, April 21, 2024



“I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.” - Jn 10:16-17

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 22, 2024

8:15am: + Engracio & Maxima Lagman

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

8:15am: + Anthony Baptista

7:00pm: Estela Directo (Birthday)

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

8:15am: In Thanksgiving

Thursday, April 25, 2024

8:15am: The Havey Family

Friday, April 26, 2024

8:15am: + Dennis Dunstan

7:00pm: + Jamie Oliveira

Bronislawa & Waclaw Papuga

+ Maria Loan

+ Walter & Magdalena Jedrzejek

+ All Souls

Saturday, April 27, 2024

8:15am: + Stasia Aranha & Deceased Members of the Aranha Family

5:00pm: + Bernie Titchard

Sunday, April 28, 2024

8:30am: + Giovanna Guagliano

10:00am: + Molly D’Mello

12:00pm: St. Patrick’s Parishioners & Youth

7:00pm: + Bruce Gouldby



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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal’s wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I didn’t care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (quite heroically) just placed my life on the line. When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I don’t know. But I do know, if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog. No offense, Libby. How passionately Jesus wants us to know him and his willingness to die for us! This week he says, **“I know my own and my own know me,”** and **“I lay down my life for the sheep.”** Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code. In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down his life for you and me — and he has taken it up again. So often we are like Libby — blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and his saving love. This Easter season, the risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about his love. He never ceases to lay down his life for us. — *Father John Muir*

Spring Bottle Drive

Knights of Columbus will be collecting your empty liquor, wine and beer bottles in support of the Special Olympics, Ontario before and after all the Masses this week-end: **April 20-21, 2024.** Thank you for your generous support!

Bundle Up Weekend

Bring your gently used clothing, shoes and linens to share with others on the weekend of **May 18-19, 2024.** A St. Vincent de Paul bin will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate. We will donate or sell these donations to support our outreach efforts. We accept: All clothing, all footwear, bedding, drapery/towels, toys (new only). We **DO NOT** accept: baby items, construction material, dishes, furniture, books/audio/video cassettes. Thank you for your continued support!

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, Raul Soriano, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Royston Guilford, Irene Lesniak, Jacintha Fernandes, Andre & Tamara Boaden, Anna lafrate, 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, Eleonora Marchese, Fruto Relator, Virginia Torre Franca, Carole Bullock, Russell Hussey, Josie Timko, Pat Mooney, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara, Maria Maddelena, Chris Troughton, Lina Siconolfi, Andre Cartier, Nikola Brodar, Pepito De Souza, Rita Pinto, Luigina Catalli, Henryka Zebrowska, Brian Pinto, Mary Jane Elder, Theresa Torre Franca, Benedict De Castro



SHARE LIFE

SHARE LIFE, is one of the collective ways that we do this. The campaign was begun by Archbishop Pocock in 1976, as a way for the people of the Archdiocese to reach out to those who are most in need, and for the past 48 years we have done this. I would like to thank you for your generosity to the campaign last year. The Parish gave \$151,356.55 to the campaign, which I believe is a very tangible way of saying that we care, and that we support this campaign. I hope that this year we will be able to do the same.

The second collection will be next Sunday, APRIL 28 and another on JUNE 2, but donations can be given at any time either directly through the Parish or through the Share Life Office.

So far, you have donated \$51,388.00. Please make sure that donations are allocated to "Share Life - St. Patrick's Parish." There are envelopes for the collections in your Parish box of envelopes, as well as on the tables in the church, and in the letter from Archbishop Leo. Thank you for your support and generosity.

—Fr. John

Why March for Life?

In Canada abortion is permitted throughout all stages of pregnancy for any reason, or no reason whatsoever, up to the moment of birth. This is an intolerable situation: it is inhuman, immoral and contradicts basic scientific knowledge. Our voices, our actions and our prayers are needed in order restore God's laws in our land. That is why we March for Life.

A bus will be leaving for Ottawa from Sts. Peter and Paul Church at 6:30am on **Thursday, May 9, 2024**. Join thousands of fellow Canadians on Parliament Hill to let our politicians know that we stand for life. The cost is \$40. Reserve seats now, they fill up quickly. Text 416 857 3887, or leave your name and number at the office.

2024 Women Together Retreat

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre invites all women to the 2024 Women Together Retreat on Saturday, May 4, 2024. The retreat will be facilitated by Anne Hales and Ques-ta Fernandes. Registration is at 8:30am, cost is \$45.00. Coffee/tea with muffins and a hot lunch is included! Mass will also be celebrated during the day.

Location: Queen of Apostle Renewal Centre
Address: 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga
Phone: 905-278-5229
Email: office@qoa.ca
Payment is accepted by cash, cheque, visa or mastercard. See you there!

Pickleball!

We invite all parishioners to join us in the parish hall for PICKLE BALL – every Saturday, starting **May 4 from 9am-12pm**. More information to follow. See you there!



Thank you!

We have donated over **2,854 lbs of food** during our food drive! We thank you for your generosity in supporting our neighbours in need.