## Sunday, May 7, 2023



Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." - Jn 14:6-7

## **Mass Intentions**

Monday, May 8, 2023 8:15 am: + Freddie and Philomena Lisboa Tuesday, May 9, 2023 8:15 am: + Rosalia da Costa 7:00 pm: + Cindinho Garcia Wednesday, May 10, 2023 8:15 am: + Assumption D'Mello Thursday, May 11, 2023 8:15 am: + Carmelo Tocci Friday, May 12, 2023 8:15 am: + Mervyn D'Souza 7:00 pm: + Araceli McElroy + Ambrose Monteiro + Anna Rita Filippone + Joseph Phong & Mai Le + Maria Binh & Ngoc Loa + Mary & John White Saturday, May 13, 2023 8:15 am: Intentions of Maricar Tardecilla 5:00 pm: + Maria Cellucci & Franca Leone Sunday, May 14, 2023 8:30 am: + Teresita & Emelita Torrefranca 10:00 am: Fatima Curvelo (Birthday) 12:00 pm: + Dario Gasang 7:00 pm: St. Patrick's Parishioners & Youth



#### Parish Website

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# Fifth Sunday of Easter

If you had to summarize the essential core of the Christian life, what would it be? Mercy, truth, or love, perhaps? The readings today suggest another word which may surprise you. That word is *priest-hood*. St. Peter says to us, **"You are a 'chosen race, a royal priesthood...**" To be part of a priesthood is to offer a particular sacrifice in order for the community to survive and thrive. Jesus is the great high priest because he offers the one perfect sacrifice which heals and perfects the entire human race. Peter the Apostle wants us to know that all the baptized share in this priestly ministry. The whole of our lives, including every detail, is meant to become our acceptable offering to God. The baptized exercise this priesthood in many ways, I'll mention three. At Sunday Mass, in private prayer, and in daily work. At Mass, we offer the sacrifice of our lives with that of the priest, who symbolizes Christ the Priest. In our prayer, a "morning offering" prayer is a great way to offer up all the joys and sufferings of the day to come. In our daily work, we sacrifice our time, comfort, money, and energy to do good for others. All this gives the deepest possible meaning to our lives: we share in the priesthood which saves the world. That's at the core of our faith. - Father John Muir

## Share Life

For 48 years, the people of the Archdiocese of Toronto, have been uniting the celebration of Lent, with SHARE LIFE. We, as a Parish, have been contributing generously during that time. It is my hope that this generosity will continue this year as we gear up for the Sunday collection which will support SHARE LIFE, **June 4**. I hope that you have received the information from Cardinal Collins speaking about the campaign. The various agencies supported by SHARE LIFE are thankful for your support, and they are hoping that this support will continue. We all know the need that is in our communities, and hopefully through SHARE LIFE, we will be able to help in a way that will be beneficial for all those supported through SHARE LIFE. Our total giving for last year was, \$134,638.00, which I think is wonderful. The goal set by the SHARE LIFE office for this year is \$139,300.00. I hope that we will be able to make that goal, but whatever we give will make a difference for all those supported by SHARE LIFE. Thank you for your continued support. - Fr. John

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm Sat: 9am-12pm, 3pm-6pm, Sun: 9am-1pm

### <u>Please Pray for the Sick...</u>

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 Ca-



ruana, Lynn Viscardi, Maria Bowman, Luigina Furlan, Francis Asis, Paul Celia, Evelyn Cletus, Alix Meikle, Raul Soriano, Wilfredo Ticzon, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Luigina Catalli, Royston Guilford, Irene Lesniak, Jacintha Fernandes, Andre & Tamara Boaden, Dianne Ouellette, Anna Iafrate, Doreen Micallef, John Kolozsvari, Dominic Alvia, Manuel Bienvenido Locsin, Theresa Boutilier, John Ngoc Truong, Maureen Tierney, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Jonathan Pinto, Alvaro Interiano, Arlene Claricia, Jennifer Nava-Villa, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Eleonora Marchese, Fruto Relator, Margarita Flores, Carlito Claricia, Virgina Torrefranca, Benedict de Castro, Carole Bullock, Russell Hussey, Josie Timko, Pat Mooney, Joseph A. Torrefranca, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara, Teresita Morales, Emilia Castro, Maria Maddelena



#### St. Patrick's Legion of Mary invites you to participate in a Crowning of Mary Celebration!

- Friday May 12, 2023
- St Patrick's Church
- 6:30 pm Rosary
- 7:00 pm Mass & crowning of Mary

#### TO ALL MEN PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK'S!!

Come take this opportunity to deepen and renew your relationship with God, Church, and family and sign up for the Men's ACTS Retreat (May 25 - 28) at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre. This is all done through Adoration, Community, Theology and Service which represents the call letters of ACTS. Space is limited. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Carlo Agostino - 905-755-9166, email: agostinocg@gmail.com



Our parish children will be receiving their First Holy Communion soon. Please pray for the candidates as they receive the Eucharist for the first time. YOUTH MINISTRY JOIN US FOR EDGE & ELEV8!

Join us Fridays at the Parish from 5pm to 6:30pm (doors open at 4:45pm): Apr 28, May 26 & Jun 9

RSVP is encouraged through Eventbrite: http://bit.ly/spygedge

### Lectors Needed

Readers are needed for the 7:00pm Mass. If you are interested, please visit the parish office to complete a registration form. Once completed, you will be contacted by the Parish Lector Coordinator, David.

## March for Life-Ottawa

Please join St. Patrick's Pro-Life Group to STAND FIRM FOR LIFE. **Our bus will be leaving from Sts. Peter & Paul Church on Thursday, May 11 at 6:30am**. See posters at the back of the Church for more information and to register.

#### Stand Firm for Life

The National March for Life takes place in Ottawa on Thursday, May 11, 2023. Join thousands from across Canada on Parliament Hill to stand up for life and stand against the "culture of death" which currently prevails in our society. Our bus will leave for Ottawa at 6:30 and arrive back at 8:30 pm (approx.) The cost is \$40. Sign up at the table in the foyer.

If you are unable to attend, but would like to support us, please consider sponsoring a seat, or part of one!

"A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakest members; and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and the dying." - St. John Paul II

#### <u>Mother's Day Gift Basket Raffle</u>

St. Patrick's C.W.L is organizing **Mother's Day Gift Basket Raffles** over the weekends of **May 6th & 7th and May 13th &14th 2023**. Tickets are priced at \$2 each, 3 for \$5 or 7 for \$10. There will be 2 or more draws per basket category ensuring lots of winners. The Draw will be held on May 14th, 2023 after the 7pm Mass. We invite you to drop by the Par-

ish Hall over Mother's Day weekend for free beverages and cookies. Let's celebrate this special day together honoring all Mothers!