

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS

In light of public Mass cancellations in the Cathedral, our priests will celebrate private daily Masses for the intentions of our parishioners including those previously offered.

Monday, April 19

Kristina Marasovic (D)
Teodoro and Eugenia Leprozo (D)
Justino M. Rodas (D)

Tuesday, April 20

Pilar S. Jalandoni (D)
Justino M. Rodas (D)

Wednesday, April 21

Peter Clark (D)
Adele O'Connell (D)
Nery Figueroa (D)
Lucio & Ida Mendoza (D)
For the repose of the souls of those laid to rest in our Catholic Cemeteries

Thursday, April 22

Gerry Saxon (D)
John L. Keenan III (D)

Friday, April 23

Katigbak Family (D)
Antonia & Jorge Titular (D)
Jose Titular (D)
Bandino Katigbak (D)
Carmela Itay (I)

Saturday, April 24

Magdalena & Joao Desouza (D)
Estela Romero (D)
Herman Paterno (D)
Dominic Romero (I)

MEMORIAL LAMP TRANSEPTS

<u>Sacred Heart</u>	<u>Immaculate Heart</u>
Ram Persaud (D)	Malcolm Francis Mackinnon (D)
Joy Dandal (I)	Lidya, Andi & Family (I)
Joseph & Fernanda Vieira (I)	Ottavio Marotta (D)

COMMUNION SERVICES

The pandemic lockdown for the City of Toronto has been extended until at least Thursday, May 20, 2021. At this time all public Masses are cancelled. The Cathedral remains open for private prayer to a maximum of 10 at a time, Monday to Friday (9:00 AM to 6:00 PM) and Saturday (9:00 AM to 2:00 PM).

Holy Communion Services are offered as follows:

- **Saturdays – from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM**
- **Sundays – from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

Please note the following information:

- Each Communion Service is limited to **8** people (plus Priest and staff member).
- Registration through [Eventbrite](#) is required and will be available every **Monday starting 9:00 AM** for the following weekend.
- Due to the limited time and frequency of Communion Services, parishioners will be required to leave the Cathedral directly following the concluding prayer.
- Adherence to all Covid-19 protocols is mandatory, including wearing a mask, maintaining physical distancing and sanitizing your hands.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

Sunday, April 18 – Saturday, April 24, 2021

Today, at the start of Canada's National Volunteer Week, St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica would like to recognize the immeasurable efforts of each of you who strengthen our Church community through your commitment to service. Every day across the Archdiocese of Toronto, parishioners selflessly give of their time and talent to nurture and strengthen the faith experience of the Catholic community and announce the Gospel. From the tireless work of volunteer coordinators, church cleaners, liturgical hospitality teams, committee members, Ministry Leaders, to the faith-affirming efforts of Catechists, Lay Pastoral Visitors, and Baptismal Preparation teams, parish volunteers are at the heart of the Archdiocesan call to stewardship, and all we do in our parish. We would like to invite all parish volunteers to stand (if able), as we want to publicly acknowledge and applaud the amazing work you do. You make a difference, and we thank you. *Well done my good and faithful servant.* Matthew 25:23

APRIL 18, 2021

SHARELIFE

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday!

ShareLife Sunday is **April 18**. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is **\$121,500**. This year we are encouraging you to give at sharelife.org, where you can make a one-time or monthly gift by credit card and designate it to our parish's campaign. Monthly giving is a convenient way to spread your ShareLife contribution over the course of a year. If you are using a green ShareLife envelope, please place it into the offertory baskets on your way out of the Cathedral. **Today is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.**

ARCHDIOCESAN WEEK OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Monday, April 19 to Saturday, April 24

For the week of April 19–24, let us all join, as a community, in prayer for vocations to the priesthood, religious or consecrated life. We also ask that you pray for our six soon-to-be priests, along with all who are discerning and who are currently in formation at St. Augustine's Seminary. Thank you for your continued support as we work and pray together to the Lord of the Harvest to send labourers into His vineyard.

PRAYER: <http://bit.ly/PrayerforVocations>

EMAIL: vocations@archtoronto.org

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL AUDITIONS

*The Formation of Boys into Men for Others
Bis Orat Qui Cantat - He Who Sings Prays Twice*

Since 1937, St. Michael's Choir School (SMCS) has nurtured creativity and academic excellence through the study of music in a unique faith-based environment.

Located in downtown Toronto, SMCS is a full-curriculum school of 250 boys from grades 3-12 that provides sacred music for St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. SMCS is devoted to helping your son realize his full academic, musical and spiritual potential. Our academic and music program results in the formation of well-rounded young men of character and faith.

Visit our website (smcs.on.ca) to learn more about SMCS and find us on Spotify, AppleMusic, GooglePlay and other music subscription services to hear our choirs.

We are excited about our 2021 auditions and we hope that your son will join us!

Contact 647-613-6367 or admissions@smcs.on.ca for information about booking your son's virtual audition.

REFLECTING ON THE MEANING OF STEWARDSHIP IN TODAY'S READINGS

One of the most wholesome and life-giving relationships we can enjoy in this life is that of friendships. The book of Sirach says that "faithful friends are a sturdy shelter; whoever finds one has found a treasure." Of course, the greatest friendship that we can have is our friendship with God. However, many people find it difficult to see God, the creator of the universe, as a friend. This is why Jesus became incarnate as a man, so that He could reveal God to us in a way that we could more fully grasp. The Catechism teaches that "Jesus is inseparably true God and true man. He is truly the Son of God who, without ceasing to be God and Lord, became a man and our brother" (CCC 469). Since we know what it is like to befriend other humans, we can extend this same means of friendship to Jesus. However, this friendship doesn't remain like all of our other friendships. Rather, since Jesus is also fully God, our friendship with Him also implies that we are friends with God. This beautiful reality of Jesus being both God and man is visible in the Gospel today. Jesus appears to the disciples in His glorious new risen body, yet like all humans, he took a piece of fish and ate it. While this is a small example, it points to the reality of Jesus' identity. As stewards, our friendship with God is the most important relationship we need to foster. Let us take some time each day in prayer to converse with Jesus as we would a close friend and by doing so, enjoy friendship with God.

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES OF TORONTO'S ONLINE COUNSELLING SESSIONS

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. Single-session counselling is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. To arrange for a session, please contact: info@cfstoronto.com or **416-921-1163** or **416-222-0048**. Leave us a message with your name, email and phone number, and a staff person will contact you.

Clients who are interested in pursuing other or additional services in the agency have the option to access our ongoing counselling, wellness or group programs.

Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of their inability to pay fees.