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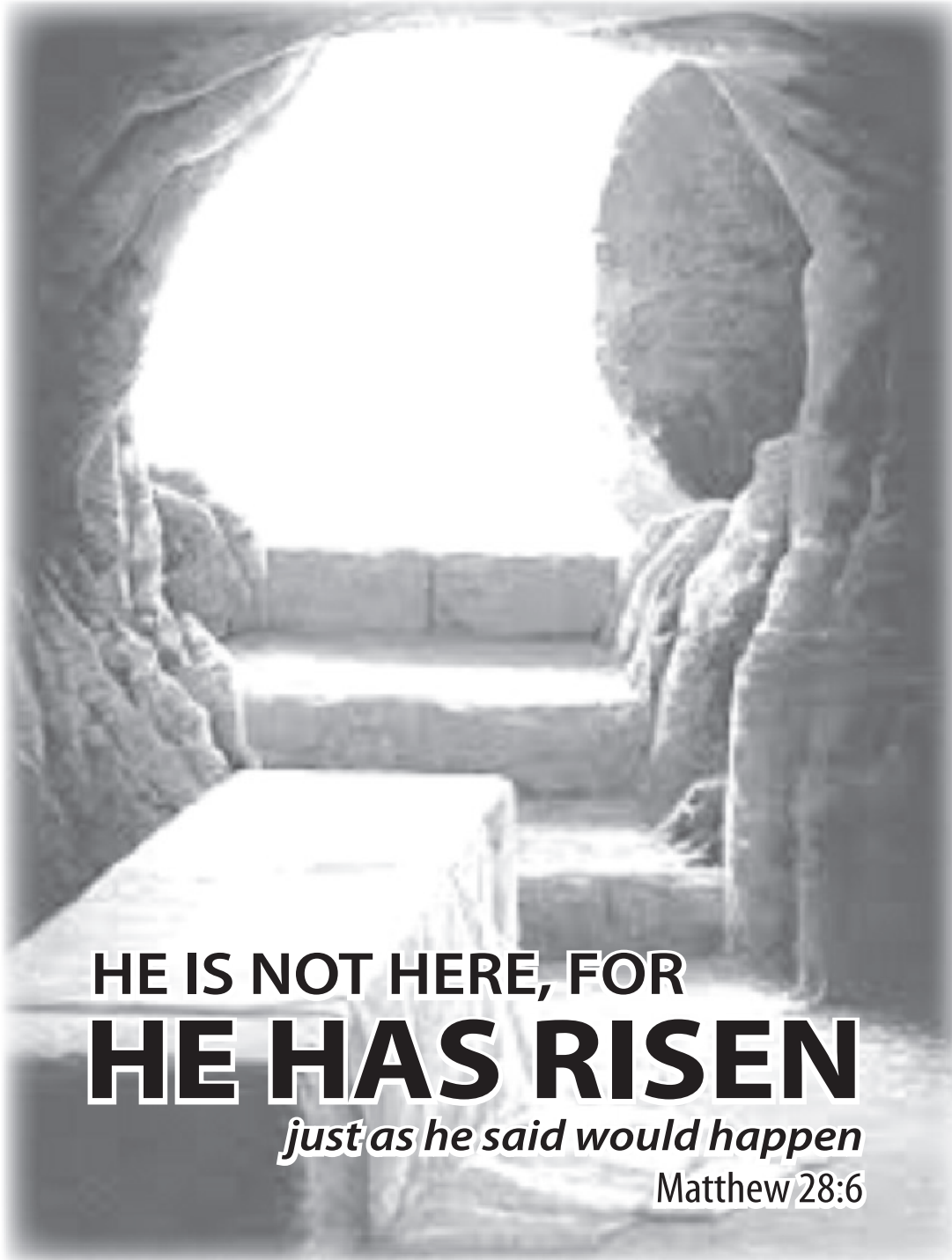
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**HE IS NOT HERE, FOR  
HE HAS RISEN**

*just as he said would happen*

Matthew 28:6

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION



### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> – Easter Vigil**

**8 p.m.** – No Intentions

**Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> – Easter**

**9 a.m.** – No Intentions

**10:30 a.m.** – No Intentions

**12 p.m.** – No Intentions

**Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Alicia Lim Torres requested by the Torres Family

**Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Thomas, Ermeline, Philo, Lawrence, Richie, Luis & Seraphine requested by the Santos Family

**Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – In Thanksgiving for answered prayers  
requested by Emanuel Savona

**Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ All Souls in Purgatory requested by Savona

**Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ All Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 p.m.** – ✠ Anne Nguyen Thi Con requested by Phi Lam

**Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> – Divine Mercy Sunday**

**9 a.m.** – ✠ Joseph & Lucretia Sgro requested by the Family

**10:30 a.m.** – ✠ Armando Justina & Rosalind Erramuspe  
requested by Janet Erramuspe

**12 p.m.** – ✠ Ramon & Presentacion Paule / Intentions of Rosalie Jose  
requested by Rosalie Jose



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We are expanding our database to be able to communicate with parishioners more easily. Parishioners are asked to email their contact information to [stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org).

Thank you for your cooperation!



Beloved Parishioners:

*“EXULTET! Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice, arrayed with the lightning of his glory, let this holy building shake with joy, filled with the mighty voices of the peoples.”*

Today we, the people of the St John Fisher parish community, are expected to experience this extreme joy because of Christ's resurrection from the dead. On Good Friday we were told to feel sad about the suffering and death of Jesus. Have Christians been told to live in a roller-coaster kind of life?

Only paradox can capture the mystery of God. When God speaks light, God must also speak darkness. Light is light, John seems to be saying, only when it shines in the darkness. How can we know the light if we do not see and know the darkness?

When God speaks life, God must also speak death. Life needs its opposites in some strange and mysterious way that will be made clearer in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

*“I solemnly assure you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat...”* The life and death of Jesus is not separated into two events. It is one Paschal Mystery.

Dear Parishioners, This mystery of death and resurrection is very real in each believer. Honestly, this mystery has always been part of our ordinary life since the Fall. Can I believe in my own resurrection now? Can we believe that resurrection is happening in our community today? Yes! I believe in my own resurrection. Yes! we believe in our resurrection as a community. **HAPPY EASTER!**

A special thanks to our parish choirs and musicians and with special thanks to the Grand Choir, the Communion Ministers and Lectors; Sacristans and Altar Servers, Ushers, Caretaker, and most especially the people who offered their time and talents by making our worship space and Altar of Repose extremely beautiful for our solemn celebration.

Fr Regulo Imperial, Pastor



The glorious Feast of the Resurrection of Christ proclaims, forever, that life is greater than death. Jesus commanded us to preach this good news to all peoples in all places at all times.

If you feel God is calling you to minister in His Church as a priest, religious or deacon,

Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto  
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**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - April 7<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM**

**Holy Hour & Singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet**

*Bring your Divine Mercy images to our celebration.  
Fr Reg will bless them on this day!*

**CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING** – Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.



**FIRST COMMUNION CORNER:** Classes have begun in the parish hall for First Communion candidates. Students in Group A attend from 1-2 pm and Group B attends from 2:30-3:30 pm. Please attend your Group. Attendance is mandatory for all classes. There will be no make-up classes.

Group A: 1-2 pm & Group B: 2:30-3:30 pm  
March 3, 24, April 7, 21, 28

Please bring the \$15 fee (per candidate) to the first session.

**Important Dates:**

**First Reconciliation:** Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

**First Communion Mass Celebrations:**

- ▶ St John Fisher School: Sat May 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm
- ▶ St John Henry Newman School: Sat June 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 pm
- ▶ Georges Vanier School: Sat June 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm



**CONFIRMATION UPDATES** - Classes have begun in the parish hall for Confirmation candidates. Classes run from 9-10:25 am & then the class attends Mass together at 10:30 am.

March 3, 24, April 7, 21, 28, May 5

**An important consideration:** In order to be confirmed, candidates must complete all 6 sessions. By not doing so, we presume that the candidate is not fully ready for the reception of the Sacrament and perhaps, receiving this sacrament in the future is a better option.

Please bring the \$20 fee (per candidate) to the first session. Students will need a pen/pencil/eraser each week. The textbook will be provided.

**Important Dates:**

- ▶ **Mandatory Confession:** Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> at 11 am
- ▶ **Confirmation Celebration:** Wednesday May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm
- ▶ Rehearsal at 10:30 am on the same day



The **CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of the month on Thursday mornings from 10-11:30 am in the church hall (after the 9 am mass). Our next meeting is April 11<sup>th</sup>!



**THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE** in schools needs volunteers! Do you love Jesus and Mary? Do you love children? Can you spare 2 hours a month per school, to pray the Rosary with the students.

Please contact: *Lorraine Dubier* 905-791-2673  
*Ilham Yaqoob* 416-420 9484



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE**

Sat Apr 13<sup>th</sup> / Sun Apr 14<sup>th</sup> / 1 - 4 pm  
Church Hall entrance

Drop off your food donation for the Knights Table. Volunteers will be there to help you. Thank you for your support!



**Knights of Columbus, St John Fisher Council**  
**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> at all weekend masses. Knights will be at the entrance of the Church to speak with you and answer your questions. Men 18+ are welcome!  
[knightsforcolumbus10402@gmail.com](mailto:knightsforcolumbus10402@gmail.com)



**CORE PRO-LIFE RESPONSE**



Sat Apr 13<sup>th</sup> / 10 am – 2:30 pm

St Mary's Church (Parish Hall)

Learn the pro-life position on important life issues from a scientific and human rights perspective, and be inspired by

powerful testimonies from women who have overcome difficult situations. Free event. Lunch provided. All are welcome.

For information & registration: [trtl.ca/youth-conference](http://trtl.ca/youth-conference)

Organized by Mississauga-Brampton Right to Life & Toronto Right to Life



The 27<sup>th</sup> National March for Life will be held on **Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** in Ottawa. The

**MARCH FOR LIFE** day will begin with Mass at St Leonard's church at 5:45 am. The bus will leave right after Mass and return at about 9:30 pm. This event is

organized by the Knights of Columbus and sponsored by St Leonard's Parish. Tickets for the bus are \$40 (non-refundable) and can be purchased at the parish office (905-846-5385). Please call ahead to make sure tickets are available. For more information, please call Joe at 647-281-9212 ([joeresendes19@gmail.com](mailto:joeresendes19@gmail.com)).

**Armenian Vespers in Honour of St. Gregory of Narek as Abbot and Doctor of the Catholic Church**

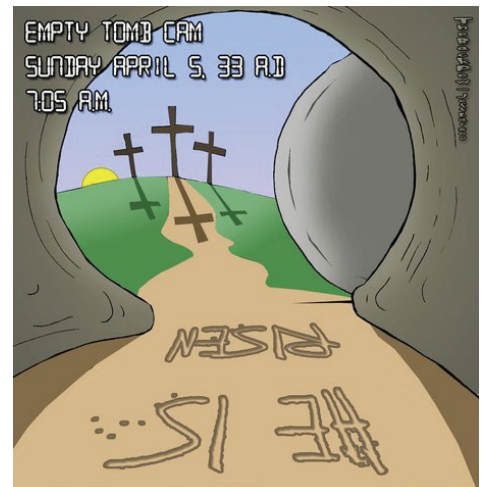
- St Gregory of Narek, a revered saint in the Oriental Orthodox Church, has recently come into our Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Join Archbishop Francis Leo and Bishop Abgar Hovakimyan (Primate of the Armenian Diocese of Canada) who will co-preside at a jointly prepared Armenian Vespers to celebrate this remarkable event on **Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm**, hosted at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church on 920 Progress Ave., Scarborough, M1G 3T5. A wide representation of church leaders in the Greater Toronto Area is expected at this event.

St Francis Centre (Caledon) Pre-Marriage weekend retreats utilizing the **JOY FILLED MARRIAGE PROGRAM**.

April 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> & October 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$500.

Includes individual accommodation, meals, snacks, marriage preparation course materials, certificate. You must arrive by 6 pm on Friday evening. Course ends on Sunday afternoon.

Interested? 519-941-1747 / [admin@stfranciscentre.org](mailto:admin@stfranciscentre.org) / [www.stfranciscentre.net](http://www.stfranciscentre.net)



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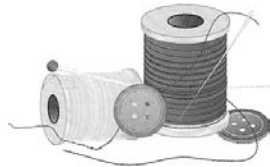
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