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**APRIL 26, 2026**

**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS!** ST. JOHN FISHER IS A PARISH COMMUNITY THAT BELIEVES IN THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS CHRIST IS ALIVE AND IN OUR MIDST. WE INVITE YOU TO CONSIDER BEING PART OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY. TO REGISTER, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH DURING OFFICE HOURS.

**Parish Staff**

**Pastor:** Rev. Liborio Amaral  
**Deacon:** Dcn. John Coletti  
 Secretary: Rose Jose  
 Custodian: Lourdes (Lulu) Pasion

**Office Hours:**

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays:  
 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 - 5:30 p.m.  
 Wednesdays:  
 12 - 4 p.m. and 5 - 8 p.m.

**Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5 p.m.  
 Sunday: 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 12 p.m.

**Daily Mass Schedule:**

Monday to Saturday: 9 a.m.

**Confessions:**

Saturday: 4 - 4:45 p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Baptism:**

Please call the parish office to inquire about baptisms.  
 Baptismal instruction required.

**Marriage:**

Archdiocesan policy requires making arrangements one year prior to the date of marriage. Preparatory course is required.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):**

Those interested in joining our Catholic Faith are asked to reach out to the pastor via the Parish Office.

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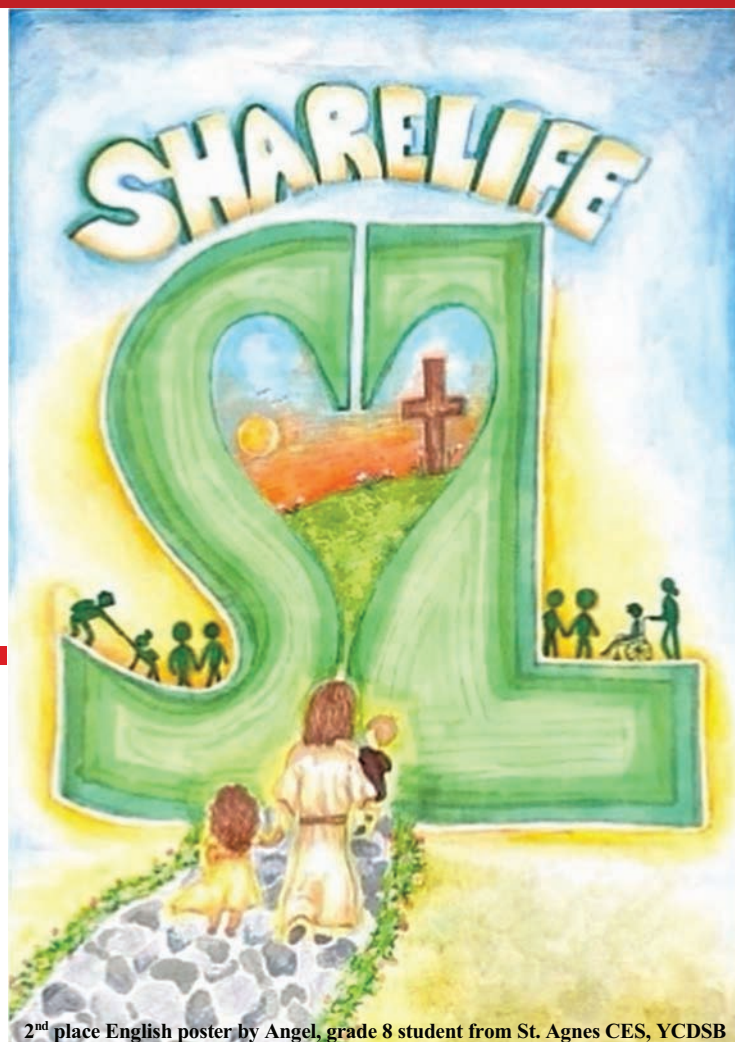
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. – Tony Lisozzi ☩
- Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. – Priests & Nuns in Purgatory ☩
- Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> – 9 a.m.  
– Dianne Frencillo & Jose Frencillo ☩  
– All Toronto Diocesan Parish Councils CWL Members (SI)
- Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. – Fr. C. Jaques ☩
- Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> - 9 a.m. – Timothy Quinn ☩
- Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> - 9 a.m. – Maria (Mary) Grobin ☩  
– Dominic Tran Nguyen ☩



Offertory:



April 19<sup>th</sup>: \$ 5,733.35

We thank all of you who regularly give your weekly offering using envelopes. *Please remember to write your name on the outside of the envelope every week, and especially if you are a new registrant to our parish or just new to using envelopes.* We want to make sure that the envelope number matches the name so we can allocate the donation to the correct person.

Thank you for your cooperation!

**ATTENTION!** If you are using Envelope Boxes 75, 399, 443, 616, 620, 636, 638 please contact the office. We need your information (name, address, telephone, email) for our records.



SHARELIFE SUNDAY IS THIS WEEKEND,

**CELEBRATING 50 YEARS:** Today is ShareLife Sunday, the second weekend of special collections. Since 1976, ShareLife has been rooted in our Catholic values of charity and in living the Gospel by caring for those in need. Over the decades, thousands of people across our archdiocese have come together through parish campaigns, school drives, workplace giving, and personal acts of kindness to make a difference in the lives of countless individuals and families.

ShareLife recognizes that all humans are created in the image of God, with a commitment to the dignity of the individual and the right to life, working on behalf of the poor and vulnerable. As we celebrate this milestone anniversary in 2026, we invite you to join us in honouring this legacy of serving the marginalized in our parish community and around the world.

With your support, ShareLife-funded agencies can continue to provide vital services—like counselling for families, support for isolated seniors, and care for those facing mental health challenges—for years to come.

Thus far we have raised \$22,908.85 toward our goal of \$49,000.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



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**Catholic-Women's-League WALK-A-THON**  
Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8:30 am   
at Chinguacousy Park (Rain date: May 16<sup>th</sup>)  
CWL Members are handing out pledge forms and accepting pledges after all masses.  
You can find all the details on the church website.



**PACZKI/DONUT FUNDRAISER**

Paczki are traditional Polish, filled donuts. \$2 each. Pre-order yours by April 30<sup>th</sup>. Choose from custard, plum or raspberry filling. Complete details, including the order form, are on the parish website.   
Pick up your donut(s) after all Masses on May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>

**WALK THROUGH THE MASS Series:**

Fr Liborio will be giving a series of sermons on the Gift of the Mass. These sermons will be given during the homily period on the following Weekend Masses:

- ◆Feb 28/Mar 1 – General Introduction to the Mass
- ◆Mar 14/Mar 15 – Part One: Introductory Rites  
Available to view on our parish website
- ◆April 11/ Apr 12 – Part Two: Liturgy of the Word
- ◆Apr 25/Apr 26 – Part Three: Liturgy of the Eucharist
- ◆May 2/May 3 – Part Four: Concluding Rites

**HELP NOT HARM: TAKE ACTION TO SUPPORT BILL C-218 WRITE YOUR MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT TODAY!**

*This week*, Cardinal Leo wrote to Prime Minister Carney and all federal Members of Parliament (MPs) in the Archdiocese of Toronto asking for their support of Bill C-218 and decrying the rapid expansion of euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada. Bill C-218 is a private members' bill currently before Parliament that would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

The letters from His Eminence are closely aligned with the Help Not Harm campaign currently underway in the archdiocese and throughout Canada. Catholics are asked to contact their Member of Parliament and asking them to support Bill C-218. A vote on the legislation is expected by late May or early June 2026.

<https://www.archtoronto.org/ko/outreach/news/archdiocesan/cardinal-leo-writes-to-prime-minister-mps-i-ask-you-to-choose-life/>

Visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

**BIRTHRIGHT BRAMPTON BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN**



Next weekend, Birthright Brampton will begin their Annual Baby Bottle Campaign at our church. Baby bottles will be available to take home and fill with loose change, bills or a cheque (payable to Birthright Brampton). Tax receipts will be issued for donations totaling \$30 or more. Credit card donations can be made at: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/birthright-brampton>.

Please help save the lives of babies by supporting this main fundraiser for Birthright Brampton. Please return Baby bottles on June 6<sup>th</sup>/<sub>7<sup>th</sup></sub>.

Mary had a little Lamb, His fleece was white as snow.  
And everywhere that Mary went, the Lamb of God would go.  
He made His way to Calvary, to pay for all our sin,  
And three days later, conquered death and rose to life again.





Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
This weekend we look at the third part of the Mass called *The Liturgy of the Eucharist*.

*The word Eucharist can refer to number of things:*

- ▶The word refers to the Mass in its entirety.
- ▶The word refers to the third part of the Mass which we are focusing on this weekend.
- ▶The word refers to the Consecrated Elements of the Bread and the Wine – the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.

*This third part of the Mass is the Centre and Summit of the entire celebration of the Mass*, because it is here that the words of the last supper is announced by the Priest, and it is here that the sacrifice of the Cross is actualized. Let us now review the parts of the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist can be broken up as follows:*

▶**The Collection:** A collection is taken up for the support of the parish and its mission to spread the Good News and help those who are in need in our midst.

▶**The Preparation of the Gifts:** We offer to God bread and wine that has been made by human hands. It represents the gifts of ourselves and the fruit of our labour. The gifts are brought up and placed on the altar and the priest prepares the gifts so that it can become the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

▶**The Prayer over the Offerings:** The priest offers a prayer to God on our behalf, that we and the gifts offered, may be acceptable to Him.

▶**Preface:** This part of the liturgy allows us to enter into the sacred mysteries by offering our hearts and minds to the God who will humble himself to be present in our midst through the sacred species of bread and wine.

▶**The Eucharistic Prayer:** This ancient sacred prayer has these chief elements: •*thanksgiving* •*acclamation* •*epiclesis* (which means invoking of the Holy Spirit to come over the gifts we offer of bread and wine, when the priest places his hands over the gifts at the altar) •*institution narrative and consecration* •*anamnesis* (which means the Church recalling the memory of Jesus' blessed passion, death, glorious resurrection and ascension into heaven) •*offering*, •*intercessions* and the •*final doxology* (i.e. Through Him, and with Him and in Him...)

▶**The Lord's Prayer:** In the Lord's prayer a petition is made for daily food, which for Christians means preeminently the Eucharistic bread, and also for purification from sin, so that what is holy may, in fact, be given to those who are holy.

▶**The Rite of Peace:** The Church (i.e. we who gather at the celebration) asks for peace and unity for herself and for the whole human family – the faithful express to each other their ecclesial communion and mutual charity before receiving the Body the Christ.

▶**The Fraction:** The priest breaks the Eucharistic bread, which imitates the gesture of Jesus at the Last Supper. The priest also takes a very small piece of the Eucharistic bread and drops it into the Chalice, so that the sacrifice of Christ's body and blood may be made whole.

▶**Communion:** Since the Eucharistic celebration is the Paschal banquet, as it is the Sacrifice and death of Christ at Calvary, it is desirable that in keeping with the Lord's command, his Body and Blood should be received by the faithful who are properly disposed as spiritual food. The faithful have the option of receiving the communion on the tongue, or on the hand. If one is receiving on the hand, one should put one hand beneath the other and create a thrown for the King of Kings whom they are receiving. After receiving on the hand, one must consume the Host right away (i.e. in front of the Eucharistic minister) and not walk away with the Host. As you receive the Host, it is also important to look down at your hands to confirm that no small particle of the sacred Host is left on your hand - if there is any particle left, you are called to consume this right away.

→Not everyone is able to receive communion in its fullness – these receive Communion spiritually. Children who have not received their First Communion receive communion spiritually. Those who know themselves to be in a state of sin (i.e. have a Serious/Mortal sin that has not been forgiven in Confession) also receive communion spiritually. Those who are not Catholics (i.e. Protestant) also receive communion spiritually – they are asked to refrain from coming up to receive communion because they are not full members of our Church. Those who are from a different faith community (i.e. Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, etc.) do not receive communion because they have not yet accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, as we have.

Let us ask the Lord that every time we come to Mass, we can penetrate the mysteries that we celebrate.

Next week we will reflect on the fourth and final part of the Eucharist – *The Concluding Rites*.

**CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!**

Fr. Liborio



**World Day of Prayer for Vocations:**

The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our archdiocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, Contact Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocations Director, ArchToronto 416-968-0997/ [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) / [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

**Prayer for Vocations:** O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, St Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of labourers for your Church, fellow labourers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

<https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/prayer-for-vocations>

Registration is open for **A DAY WITH MARY** on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for the adults and children's catechesis for the kids.



You must register for this **FREE** event. <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>.

Our Catholic Women's League has organized a school bus for the day. Cost of bus: \$16 per head, non-refundable.

**Leaving St John Fisher @ 9 am. Returning @ 5 pm**

To register for the bus, contact the CWL at [stjohnfishercwl2026@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnfishercwl2026@gmail.com)

More info: <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>



Last weekend, many of us were able to witness and venerate an authenticated piece of rock from Jesus' tomb. Fr. Liborio referenced a National Geographic Story that explained how they accessed and restored the tomb. You will find a link to the fascinating video on our parish website or you can find it by searching: *Secrets of Christ's Tomb/SPECIAL/National Geographic*.

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