

APRIL 27TH, 2025



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

THIS WEEKEND

Saturday April 26th

4 pm + Ivan Smith

Sunday April 27th

9 am + Pope Francis

11 am + Pope Francis



This morning we offer both Masses for the Repose of the Soul of + Pope Francis.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 5: 12-16

Psalm 118: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

Second Reading: Revelation 1: 9-11, 12-13, 17-19

Gospel: John 20: 19-31



'My Lord and my God!'

In this week's readings we see the contrast between the apostles' profound fears and doubts in the upper room, and their emboldened faith as the early Church begins to flourish.

In the First Reading, the apostles perform great 'signs and wonders' healing the sick. We have a picture of a thriving ministry, with people coming from far and wide to hear and witness the message of God.

The Psalm continues in the spirit of rejoicing, reminding us that God's faithful love endures forever. We feel a sense of true resurrection; that through this love, we will always triumph over persecution and rejection.

John (Second Reading) humbly identifies himself as a 'brother and partner' in our suffering. He offers us encouragement that Jesus is still very much alive and that, with patience and perseverance, we will overcome all suffering.

The Gospel replays a powerful encounter between the frightened disciples and the risen Jesus. He brings a message of peace, and a call to action to continue his ministry.

As Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee year, we pray that, guided by the Holy Spirit, we will be inspired by the apostles' courage, humility and solidarity with those who are sick, lonely, fearful and marginalised.

How might we bring the peace and encouragement of Jesus into our everyday encounters during this Easter season?

ARCHDIOCESE

STATEMENT FROM VATICAN

Monday, April 21st, 2025

"Dear brothers and sisters, it is with profound sadness I must announce the death of our Holy Father Francis," Cardinal Kevin Farrell announced on the Vatican's TV channel. "At 7:35 this morning the Bishop of Rome, Francis, returned to the house of the Father." The

Vatican said Pope Francis died of a cerebral stroke that put him into a coma and led to irreversible heart failure.

STATEMENT FROM FRANK CARDINAL LEO

"I invite the faithful throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto and all those who mourn his loss, to pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. May we honour his legacy and lovingly embrace his invitation to be missionaries of mercy, sharing the light of Christ in abundance as we affirm the dignity of every human life and foster a culture of care and love".

SHARELIFE UPDATE

2nd SHARELIFE SUNDAY is next weekend May 4th, 2025

Total ShareLife Collection to date ~ \$395.00

ShareLife Parish goal set by the Archdiocese is \$6,000.00

PARISH COMMUNITY



Here is a quick update on a few of the ongoing repairs and maintenance in our parish;

- Repair and repaving the back parking lot.
- Removal/disposal and clean-up of damaged birch trees from ice storm.
- Replace & repair flooding damage to hall. Rectify outside drainage which causes hall flooding.
- Repair & replace section of Rectory

porch roof including masonry repair to building.

LADIES OF THE PARISH

The Ladies meeting is scheduled for Monday April 28th @ 1:00 pm. It will be held in the Rectory/Office. All ladies are encouraged and invited to attend. New members are always welcomed!

MASS INTENTIONS

** living or + deceased.

April/May	Time	Mass for
Tuesday 29 th	6:00 pm	+ Sara Silva Coutinho
Wed. 30 th	6:00 pm	+ Evelyn Nesbet
Thursday 1 st	9:15 am	+ Gregory Gill
Friday 2 nd	6:00 pm	** Good health of Family
Saturday 3 rd	4:00 pm	+ Maria Bui
Sunday 4 th	9:00 am	** Colette Bryson
	11:00 am	** For the People

PRAY FOR THE SICK, HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED & FOR THOSE IN NEED

Jean Adams, Ana Figueiredo, Derek Francis, Angela Hoffbauer, Gerry Kavanagh, Louise Kozolowski, Brock MacDonald, Mary Porter, Erika Rihel, Joanne & Rick Scrannage, and Ralph Slaney.

Parish Promissory Note (For the new hall)	\$363,908.91
Easter	\$ 2,298.15
Flowers	95.00
Good Friday (Holy Land)	1,309.80
Holy Thursday	511.75

Thank you to all who have increased their offertory amount ~ every dollar helps! God Bless You!