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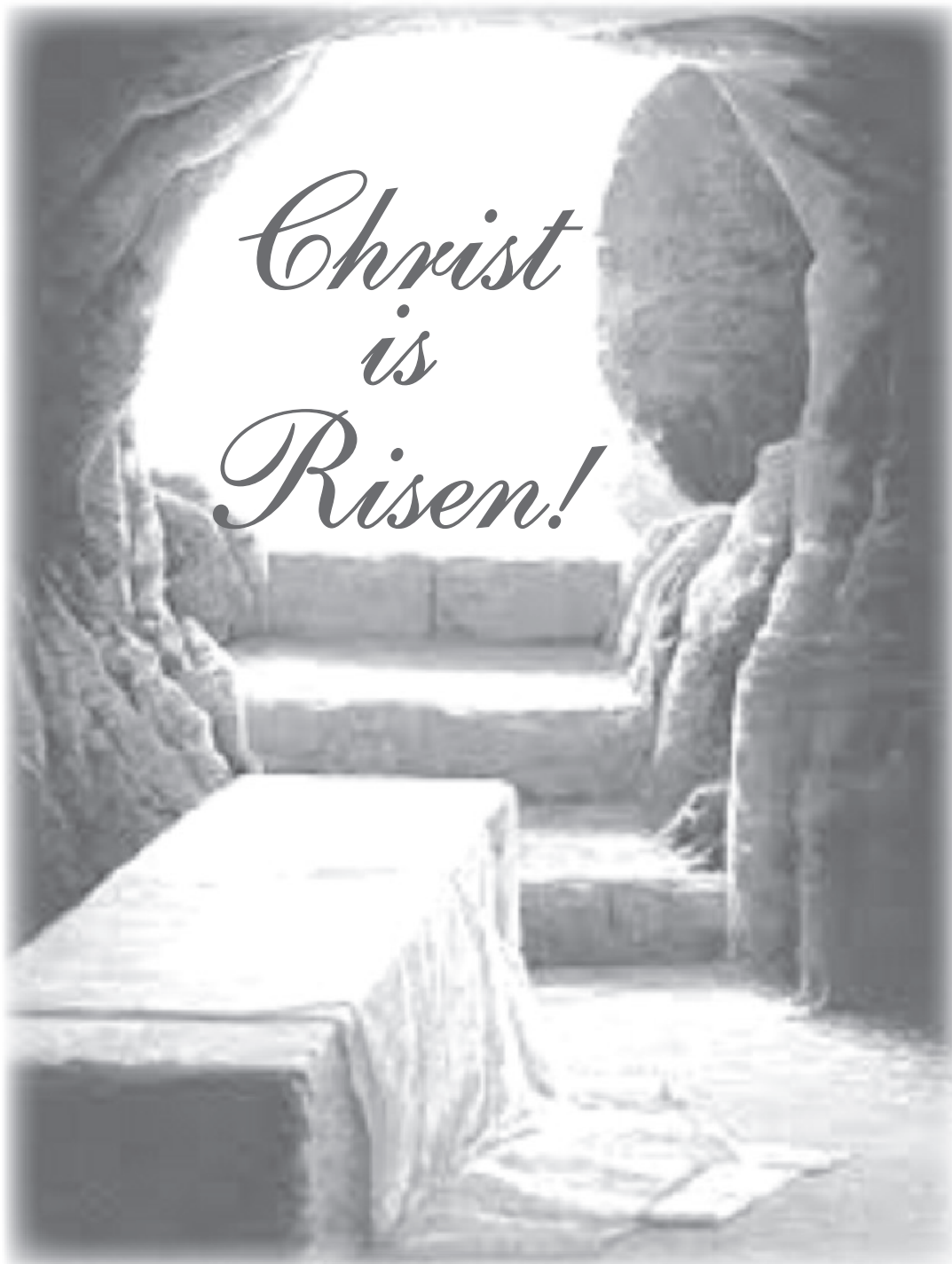
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## EASTER SUNDAY

 <b>Mass Intentions</b>				
Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by
Apr 23	Tues	8:15 am	The Deceased Members of Villaluz Family†	Nelson & Nelia Ducusin
Apr 24	Wed	8:15 am 9:30 am	Ximena Talero† <b>School Mass</b>	Liane LaFreniere
Apr 25	Thurs	8:15 am	Waldron Family†	Claudette Wilson
Apr 26	Fri	8:15 am	Ricardo Uytico†	Holy Cross School
Apr 27	Sat	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Raymond LeFreniere† Gerald Paquette	Holy Cross School Casey White & Gillies Families
Apr 28	Sun	9:30 am 11:00 am 7:00 pm	Margarita De Sousa† Terrel Miranda† All Parishioners	Kim & Miguel De Sousa D'Souza Family

## Easter Message 2019

We greet you all a blessed EASTER! We rejoice with the whole of humanity and all creation in the Risen Lord who is our HOPE!

St. Augustine wrote: ***“And He departed from our sight that we might return to our hearts and there find Him. For he departed and behold, He is here!”***

Easter is the affirmation and celebration that Jesus has been raised from the dead. Easter confirms that the resurrection of Jesus is also our rising to new life. Jesus is our resurrection.

The resurrection is not a return to human earthly life, a life still subject to evil and destruction. The life that the Risen Christ now possesses is God's very life. That is why He will not die again. Sin has no more power over Him. In Jesus the Risen One, we are assured that God was, is and will be victorious over sinfulness, viciousness, wickedness, corruption and violence.

Yes, we suffer as we have our Good Friday. We are betrayed and abandoned. There are pain and problems. There are hardship and suffering. We experience tragedies. We encounter crises. We face death.

But we know that before us, Jesus underwent all these terrible things. We know that Jesus overcame all these human afflictions. But the Risen Christ is our Hope!

So we have to turn and trust Jesus, to raise our will and spirit to God. Easter promises us new life as Jesus has won for us. With the resurrection of Jesus, we have redemption. We can now return to the Father. We have been reconciled with Him. We are saved!

Let us then embrace/start a new beginning, another chance, and fresh opportunities. Our lives are now full of hope, full of meaning and love. Yes, God is with us. His grace is upon us.

Let us accept the invitation of Easter: to live a life of hope, of fidelity to God, and a total commitment to His divine plan. Let us together walk the way of Jesus, and leave behind the darkness of grief and doubts.

Let us then reflect and find hope, meaning and inspiration from St. Paul in his letter to the Romans: ***“By this Baptism in His cross, we were buried with Christ and as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we begin walking in a new life. It was an image of His death when we are grafted in Him, and so we will also share in His resurrection.”***

**HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!**

Fr. Freddy

### Altar Servers' Schedule: April 27 & 28, 2019

Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:00 am	Sunday 7:00 pm
Angeline & Angelo Beltran	Maryrose Sabio	Matthew Guzman	Cailean Cruzada
Michael Orillanes	Cheraldine & Arnold Carandang	Christine Dipasupil	Joshua Razon
Isaiah Odejobi	Sean Quinagon	Gieann Pervera	Kirsten Razon
Ryan	Ruel Gutierrez, Jr.	Aurora & Alfred Donceras	

### Upcoming Events

**Al-Anon Meeting**

Every Monday • Parish Hall • 7:30pm~9:30pm

**Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction**

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month after the 9:00am Mass • Church

**Food Drive: Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month.

**9-Day Divine Mercy Novena**

April 19-27, 2019 • Church • Schedule is posted at the entrance door.

**Holy Cross Catholic School Mass**

April 24, 2019 (Wednesday) • Church • 9:30am

**Know Your Faith Series** (April 30, May 7 & 14)

Every Tuesday • Parish Hall • 7:00pm~9:00pm

**Sacrament of Confirmation Preparation: Session 1**

April 28, 2019 (Sunday) • Parish Hall • 12:15pm

**Multicultural Night Dinner and Dance**

May 4, 2019 (Saturday) • Parish Hall • 6:00pm

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**Communion for the Household**

Please let us know if you have relatives or friends who need visitation or communion. We bring Holy Communion to the housebound every **1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month**.

**Holy Cross Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction**

Every **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month**, Fr. Freddy will perform a Eucharistic Healing Procession and Benediction in the Church after the 9:00am Mass. **Everyone is welcome to attend.**



**“Living the Gospel by providing for those in need.”**

The ShareLife mission reminds us that our support of ShareLife agencies helps bring the message of the Gospel to life in our community and around the world.

On **May 5<sup>th</sup>** will be the second collection. Our parish goal this year is **\$32,500**, which I know we can achieve with our collective support. Over the next few weeks, you will hear how ShareLife agencies are making an impact in the lives of those who need our help the most. Kindly reflect on your ability to contribute to our campaign this year.

The collection to date is **\$ 14,534.40**.

Our Parish of the Holy Cross and myself **THANK YOU** in advance for your support for ShareLife.

**9 -Day Divine Mercy Novena**

Last **April 19<sup>th</sup>**, a 9-Day Divine Mercy Novena led by the Legion of Mary has started and will end on **April 27<sup>th</sup>**. Please check the schedule at the church door entrances.

**Know Your Faith Series**

Join the Kolbe **“Know Your Faith Series”** at Holy Cross Parish for a 5-week scripture course on “The Gospel According to St. Matthew – Part II” on **Tuesdays, April 30, May 7, 14 from 7:00pm-9:00pm.**

Through prayer, study and informative DVDs, learn about God’s love, mercy and forgiveness. Enhance your understanding and knowledge of the New Testament and deepen your awareness of God’s merciful love in your own life. See the flyer on the Parish bulletin board or visit [www.kolbeapostolate.com](http://www.kolbeapostolate.com) for more information.

**2018 Tax Receipts:**

Please pick up your Tax Receipts and help us save from postage. **We can also send it through email**, just give us a call. Thank you.

**Holy Cross  
Multicultural Night Dinner & Dance**

**When: May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Saturday**  
**Time: 6:00 pm**  
**Where: Parish Hall**

**Come and wear your traditional dress/attire!**

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for children up to age 12. Tickets are still on sale at the front doors of the church before and after all the masses.

The money that will be collected from the ticket sales and donations will be used to buy a **projector and update the church’s audio system.**

Please contact Allan and Lydia Jaikaransingh at [Jaikaransingh@rogers.com](mailto:Jaikaransingh@rogers.com) if you would like to contribute food items, make donations or offer your help for this event.

**Cardinal’s Breakfast**

**Saturday, May 11, 2019, 7:30am to 9:30am**  
401 Bay St., Simpson Tower, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Toronto

To those interested *young men in our parish, ages 14 years and older*, you are invited to join for an informal discussion led by *His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins* on topics relating to the **Ordination.**

If you are interested, you may sign up or call the parish office at 416-421-5225 or email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) for R.S.V.P. not later than **May 1<sup>st</sup>**.

**St. Vincent de Paul - “Bundle Up” Collection**

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Holy Cross Parish** is a non-profit charity whose volunteer members collect clothing, shoes, linen and small household goods to donate, exchange for vouchers or sell in order to support our works of charity. Please tie your donation bags for easier handling.

**When: May 11, Sat (9am-5pm)**  
**May 12, Sun (9am-7pm)**

**Where: At the back of the Church’s Driveway**

**St. Vincent de Paul – Summer Camp**

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Holy Cross Parish** is now accepting the names of girls and boys from families who would not otherwise have an opportunity to have a camping experience this summer.

**Marygrove Camp is a camp for girls (ages 5 - 13)** located on Georgian Bay near Penetanguishene.

**Camp Ozanam is a camp for boys (ages 7 - 12)** located near Sundridge, north of Huntsville.

The camp spots fill up quickly, so please call us soon at **416-421-5225 Option 3** and leave us your Name, Tel #, Child’s Name and Age, and a SSVP member will get back to you to arrange for an interview and completion of the necessary forms.

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