APRIL 18, 2021 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

.In addition to celebrating all Christ did for us this Easter season, we also are reminded of how His sacrifice impacts our lives.

Today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus should be the center of our lives. This passage begins with two disciples realizing Jesus had just appeared to them.



We can learn a valuable lesson from these disciples. To recognize Jesus' appearances in our lives, we need to know Him. And the best way to know the Lord is to spend time with Him. It can start with just 10 minutes of quiet prayer a day and increasing that each week. We might begin by reading Scripture, books on the lives of the Saints, or even a decade of the Rosary. Yet the goal should be to carve out time each day, in a quiet space, for just you and the Lord.

As the disciples mentioned, they recognized it was Jesus in the breaking of the bread. We, too, can better know the Lord through the sacraments, most especially the Holy Mass. The Eucharist is Jesus Himself - Body, Blood Soul, and Divinity. What better way to grow in intimacy with Christ than to receive Him frequently or to go talk to Him in front of the Blessed Sacrament? As we make Jesus the center of our lives through prayer and the sacraments, we will be able to recognize Him in day-to-day moments.

As we are still in the midst of this Easter season, take time to think about what Christ did for us and the changes we should make in our daily lives to help us grow closer to Him.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, April 19 8:30 a.m. - Livestream Johnny Devoe †

Tuesday, April 20

8:30 a.m. - Livestream Antoinetta Mattei † 7:00 p.m. - R.C.I.A. - Virtual

Wednesday, April 21 8:30 a.m. - Livestream Anne Matuch †

Thursday, April 22 No Mass

Friday, April 23 8:30 a.m. - Livestream Angelo Albanese †

Saturday, April 24 4:00 p.m. - Mass 5:00 p.m. - Livestream - Gerry Laffradi † Josette Saunderson † | Marlene DeRose †

Sunday, April 25

8:45 a.m. - Mass 9:45 a.m. - Mass for the People 10:45 a.m. - Frank Niesink † | Nuzia Napoli † 11:15 a.m. - Communion Service 11:40 a.m. - Communion Service

OFFERINGS FOR MARCH

Envelopes	\$ 18,761.32
Monthly Preauthorized Giving	8,549.00
Canada Helps	611.46
Interac e-Transfer	4,525.00
Easter	100.00
Renovations & Repairs	5,365.00
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Total

\$37,911.78

FAITH FORMATION & CATECHESIS



We welcome you to join our Virtual RCIA session for *"Sacramentals and Rituals"* at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, April 20th.

If interested, please contact the parish office to join the Google Meet.

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

"Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments."

Jesus makes Himself known to you through the vocation He chose for you. Do you hear a call to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the children of our Parish who recently received the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Brianna C. Charlotte C. Nora D. Benjamin F. Jacob G. Olivia G. Benjamin G. Emmett H. Sophia H. Aria I.



James J. Gavin K. Jack L. Hannah L. Selena L. Frank P. Westley R. Sadie R. Domenic T. Nolan W.

We wish them God's abundant blessings.



ST. JULIA PASTA NIGHT POSTPONED

Take Out Only Date to be determined

Includes: Penne Pasta & Sauce, Meatballs, Caeser Salad, Roll & Butter **Cost: \$12.00**

All purchased tickets will be honoured for our future date. If you would like a refund, please contact the office. Thank you for your understanding and support.



Prayer for the Third Sunday of Easter

God of life, soften our hearts to your way, that our lives may be a witness to a world longing for your love. May we have courage to walk with open hands and hearts to the places where we would rather not go. Amen.

> Prayer from www.cccb.ca www.archtoronto.org