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Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon

Saturday 10:00 am

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:30 am

#### Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am

#### Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm

Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &

11 - 11:25 am

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Sunday 11:30 am

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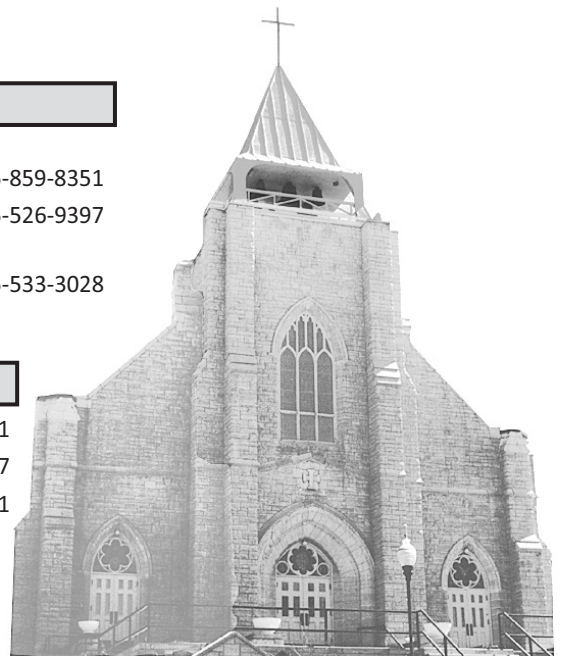
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## Mass Intentions and Holy Week Schedule

### Saturday April 9

5pm + Robert Ambeau  
Requested by Marg Bourgeois

### Sunday April 10

9 am + Patricia Rankin  
Requested by Bob & Beth Bray and family

## Holy Week

### Tuesday April 12

12:05 noon Intentions of Rita Cote on her birthday  
Requested by Theresa Young

### Wednesday April 13

12:05 noon + Gloria Osualdini  
Requested by Gord and Cathy McKay

## Easter Triduum

### Holy Thursday April 14

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm  
Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 9:00pm

### Good Friday April 15

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 12 noon  
3:00 pm

Good Friday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

### Easter Saturday April 16

*(No 10 am Mass today)*

Blessing of Easter Food 11:00 am

Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

### Easter Sunday April 17

Mass 9:00, 11:30 am  
*(Note: No confessions will be heard today.)*



Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Bernie Gemmell;  
Peter Patenaude; Bob Kokron; David;  
Brenda Bylow; John Jerome; Robert Schofield

## Holy Week

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. The ceremonies of Holy Week and the Easter Triduum are the most important and impressive of the liturgical year. We encourage parishioners to enter fully into the spirit of these sacred days by participating in the church's liturgy. We hope families will attend together, although we remind parents with babies and very young children that the Holy Week rites are longer than the average Sunday Mass.

### Chrism Mass



Cardinal Thomas Collins, together with the bishops and priests of the diocese will celebrate the Chrism Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral on April 16<sup>th</sup>. At this Mass the oils to be used in the administration of the sacraments during the coming year will be solemnly blessed, and the clergy will renew their commitment to priestly service.

### Paschal Triduum



The greatest mysteries of redemption are celebrated yearly by the Church beginning with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday until Vespers on Easter Sunday. This time is called the "Triduum of the Crucified, Buried and Risen One"; or "Easter (Paschal) Triduum" because it celebrates the Paschal Mystery, that is, the passing of the Lord from this world to His Father. The Church, by the celebration of this mystery is united to Christ, her Spouse, in intimate communion.

**The celebrations of the Triduum are:**

*The Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper – April 18 – 7 pm*

*The Celebration of the Lord's Passion – April 19 – 3 pm*

*The Easter Vigil- April 20 – 8 pm*

### Paschal Fast

**Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.**

According to the law of the Church, all Catholics ages 18-59 inclusive may eat only one full meal on Good Friday; the other two meals together are not to equal another full meal. In addition, all Catholics over the age of 14 are to abstain from meat. This paschal fast should be continued on Holy Saturday so that the people of God will receive the joy of the Lord's resurrection with uplifted and responsive hearts.

### Easter Vigil

According to a most ancient tradition, the Vigil celebrated on Holy Saturday to commemorate that holy night when the Lord rose from the dead, is regarded as the "mother of all holy vigils". The Church keeps vigil, waiting for the resurrection of the Lord and celebrates the sacraments of Christian initiation. From time immemorial, the Church has celebrated that annual Pasch, the solemnity of solemnities, above all by means of a night vigil. For the resurrection of Christ is the foundation of our faith and hope, and through Baptism and Confirmation we are inserted into the Paschal Mystery of Christ, dying, being buried and raised with Him, and with Him we hope to reign. The full meaning of this Vigil is a waiting for the coming of the Lord.

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## Reflection: In Life and in Death

In his book, *Jesus of Nazareth Volume 2*, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI wrote: "Jesus is a king who destroys the weapons of war, a king of peace and a king of simplicity, a king of the poor."

Jesus must have been the loneliest man in all history as He entered the gates of Jerusalem. We could picture him in pensive and reflective mood as He looked beyond to what lay ahead. We might wonder if Jesus had a premonition of His impending doom. Perhaps, after all, he always referred to himself as the 'Son of Man', the Messianic title which is indicative of suffering, humiliation and death. Was he afraid? Maybe – He was human, wasn't He?

We die alone, the philosopher Martin Heidegger once said. At the core of His humanness, Jesus must have felt so lonesome if He had any inkling that He would suffer unspeakable pain – alone. His arrest perhaps marked the moment when He knew for certain that the hour had come when He would suffer and die.

He must have felt terribly lonely. Jesus must have known the same loneliness which a terminal cancer patient feels as she awaits death's visitation. Jesus must have known the harrowing solitude of victims of wars and conflicts as they see the destruction of their homes and livelihoods. Jesus must have felt the same pangs of hopelessness of elderly, paralyzed people deserted by their children to expire in hunger and exhaustion – in a room reeking with foulest odor.

In Heidegger's existentialism, I will die alone. No one else can die for me. When my death comes, it is I – and I alone – who must face the inevitable. My death is the only thing which can never be taken from me. I may lose everything: my money, my teeth, my hair, even my reputation. My death is the one thing I truly own.

However, there is one important thing that Heidegger forgot, or simply ignored. This is the deeper meaning of Jesus' death. Indeed, Jesus died alone and He claimed and owned His death – an act which made him the freest and truest of all human beings. But what made Jesus's death sublime is that He did not die for Himself. He died for others – for you and for me. He took on human suffering and loneliness so that we see Him with us in our own suffering and loneliness.

That effectively overturns Heidegger's depressing philosophy of death. After Jesus' passion and death, we will never die alone. The humble King is with us when we receive Him in the Holy Eucharist and when, at the end of our earthly journey, we receive the Sacrament of Holy Anointing. And we are not to be afraid in life and in death for Jesus conquered death, darkness and sin.

Fr. Roselle



## The Synod on Synodality:

Pope Francis is asking every Catholic to help discern what the Holy Spirit is telling us at

this moment as the Church enters its third millennium. The first phase of the Synod on Synodality will last through the first half of 2022 and will see the world's faithful sharing their thoughts at a diocesan level. All those diocesan-level responses will be collected and summarized.

### Meeting Nights:

|                                  |      |
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| Thursday, April 21 <sup>st</sup> | 7 pm |
| Thursday, May 19 <sup>th</sup>   | 7 pm |
| Thursday, June 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | 7 pm |
| Thursday, July 21 <sup>st</sup>  | 7 pm |

People of Faith invites all interested to contact us at:

**Email:** [peopleoffaith2022@gmail.com](mailto:peopleoffaith2022@gmail.com) **OR**

**Call:** Robert Sykes 705-529-6718

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## CWL News

The next meeting of the CWL members will take place on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm.

All members are encouraged to attend. Please offer prayers for the Indigenous peoples and the Ukrainian crisis.

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## Altar Server Training

Now that most restrictions have been lifted, we can resume having altar servers. However, we will continue to practice some social distancing and wearing masks. Deacon Tim is offering some refresher training so everyone can feel comfortable serving and we will be ready for Holy Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> and Easter April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact the church office to register: 705-526-6313 or [stmargaretsmi@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmargaretsmi@archtoronto.org)

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"Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!"

Luke 19:38



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## The Pope's Prayer Intention for April

*For Health Care Workers*

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

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