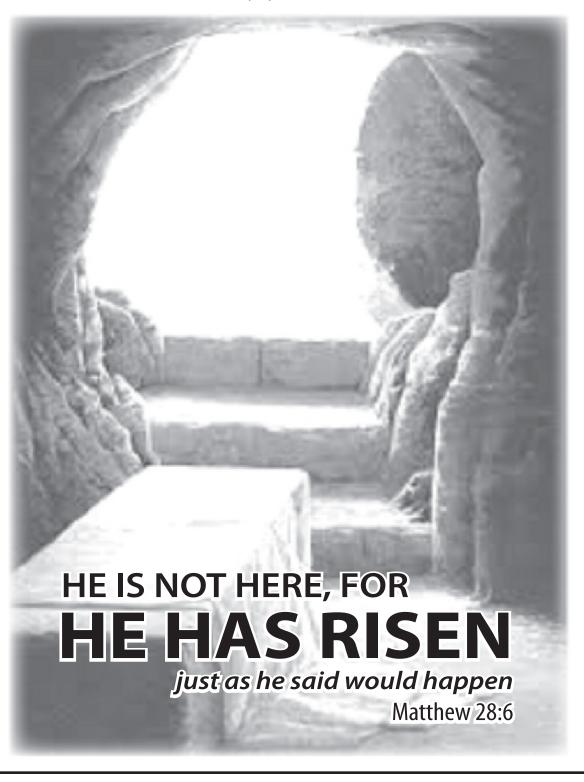
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<u>Tuesday April 2nd</u>

12:05pm + Rose & Charles Maguire Requested by Charles & Dolores Maguire

Wednesday April 3rd

12:05 pm + Robert Dalton Requested by the Dalton Family

Thursday April 4th

12:05 pm Special Intentions for Healing the family of Jamie & Kathleen & Declan Requested by Wayne & Joanne Corosky

Friday April 5th

11 am – Holy Hour 12:05 pm + Pia Rossi Requested by John & Marcella Ingriselli

Saturday, April 6th

10:00 am + Levi Bacerdo Requested by Angela Bacerdo

Second Sunday of Easter

Saturday April 6th

5 pm + Alfred Sare Requested by Joe & Elizabeth Attard

Sunday April 7th

9 am Mass for the People

11:30 am + Veronica Lavigne Requested by Bill Lavigne

The Pope's Prayer Intention for April

For the role of women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Happy Easter!

Easter joy is not meant to be short-lived but permanent and 'contagious'. Jesus' friends were overwhelmed with joy when they saw Him risen from the dead. In the First Reading, Peter's testimony that the disciples ate and drank with Jesus after He rose from the dead speaks of a totally new experience that changed their lives forever.

As we offer each other the joy and peace that comes from our Risen Lord, let us continue to ponder on this great mystery and open our hearts to its graces and challenges. In the Second Reading, we are asked to leave behind our boasting, malice and wickedness. We can truly celebrate the Risen Christ by living in sincerity and truth, abandoning the tomb of deceit and lies.

The Easter story is indeed:

Extraordinary. Rising from the dead, Jesus shows us that our faithful God will transform our lives from the ordinariness of our sorrows and pains, into the extraordinariness of His Divine Life.

Awesome. Life may be hard and awful at times, but the Good News of the Resurrection will always keep the sense of awe and wonder alive in us.

Salvific. The mission, suffering and death of Jesus would simply be a heroic story without his resurrection. But, because He had the power to rise from death, He can really save us as we embrace our own suffering and death. His unwavering love is our hope's foundation.

Transformative. In encountering the Risen Jesus, the disciples' faith was rekindled and their hearts burned again with passion for the Lord's mission – proclaiming to the whole world God's kingdom of justice, love and peace.

Eternal. Jesus rose from death to change our life forever: from temporary setbacks to unending joy, from our fleeting world to a new heaven and a new earth that is eternal.

Real. Jesus' resurrection is true and real. The disciples witnessed it. Though Thomas doubted at first, he later believed that Jesus was his Lord and God. The disciples sacrificed their lives to share the Good News with all people and did it for the sake of the Eternal Truth – Jesus, who liberates, gives life and empowers.

Easter Blessings! Father R C R A

Summer Job Opportunity:

St. Margaret's Cemetery has a Summer Labourer (Student) position available. Please contact Rose Ladouceur at the Cemetery Office 705-526-6313 X4 for more details.

Pysanky Easter Eggs

A special thank you to Katie Goulbourne for her hard work and dedication in sharing the traditional decoration of the Easter Eggs. Thank you also to all who donated food for the luncheon.

<u>New Parish Hall Dishwasher</u>

Hooray! The new dishwasher has arrived! Thanks to all the parishioners and Parish Groups who donated to the purchase of the commercial dishwasher.

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration at St. Ann's Church

Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated,

"Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."

Parishioners are warmly invited to this Bilingual celebration on Sunday April 7th at 3:00pm at St. Ann Parish, with music provided by the St. Patrick's Parish Choir and followed by a social.

<u>Awaken Your Spirit Métis Concert</u> <u>and Art Show</u>

Join us for a captivating evening celebrating Métis culture at the Midland Cultural Center on Thursday, April 11th. Experience the enchanting music of Alex Kusturok, who has performed for the Pope, in a special concert. Immerse yourself in Métis art at our exhibition and vendor show.

Doors open at 5:30 PM for this charitable event supporting the Kooshkopayiw Métis Arts Council. Purchase tickets online at

midlandculturalcentre.com/events or contact Patti Belanger at 705-528-3847 for more information. Don't miss this unique opportunity to enjoy an evening of music, art, and community.



Daughters of Isabella Spring Luncheon Saturday, April 13th • 11:00am-1:00pm Lunch \$7.00 • Bake table, Crafts 50/50 draw and more! Everyone is Welcome! Knights of Columbus Hall, 17 Poyntz Street, Penetanguishene

IN UNITY, FRIENDSHIP AND CHARITY

<u>Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith</u> <u>Video Contest 2024</u>

Theme: "This is a time when the world needs more love and compassion than ever."High school students (ages 13–19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event by make a threeminute video encapsulating the theme. Submission guidelines can be found on the Catholic Register website:

www.catholicregister.org/videocontest

CONTACT: interreligious@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527 (Contest closes: April 15, 2024.)

From the clergy and staff at St. Margaret's Parish...

May you and your family be blessed this Easter and throughout the year!



Please remember the following people in your

prayers; Marie Logan; Lisa Wright; Judy Martin; Mark Charlebois; Michael Pontze; Frank Whitkins; Dottie Whitkens; Bob Dorion; Carol Quesnelle; Barrett Smith; Alex Latondress; Malachy Maguire; Nick Tardif; Lynda Stanek; Lloyd Leroux; Mary Fletcher; Sherry Archer; Abigail Brown; Romelda Morson; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenaude; Brenda Bylow; Marshal Laurin; John Gunther; Marilyn Dalton

