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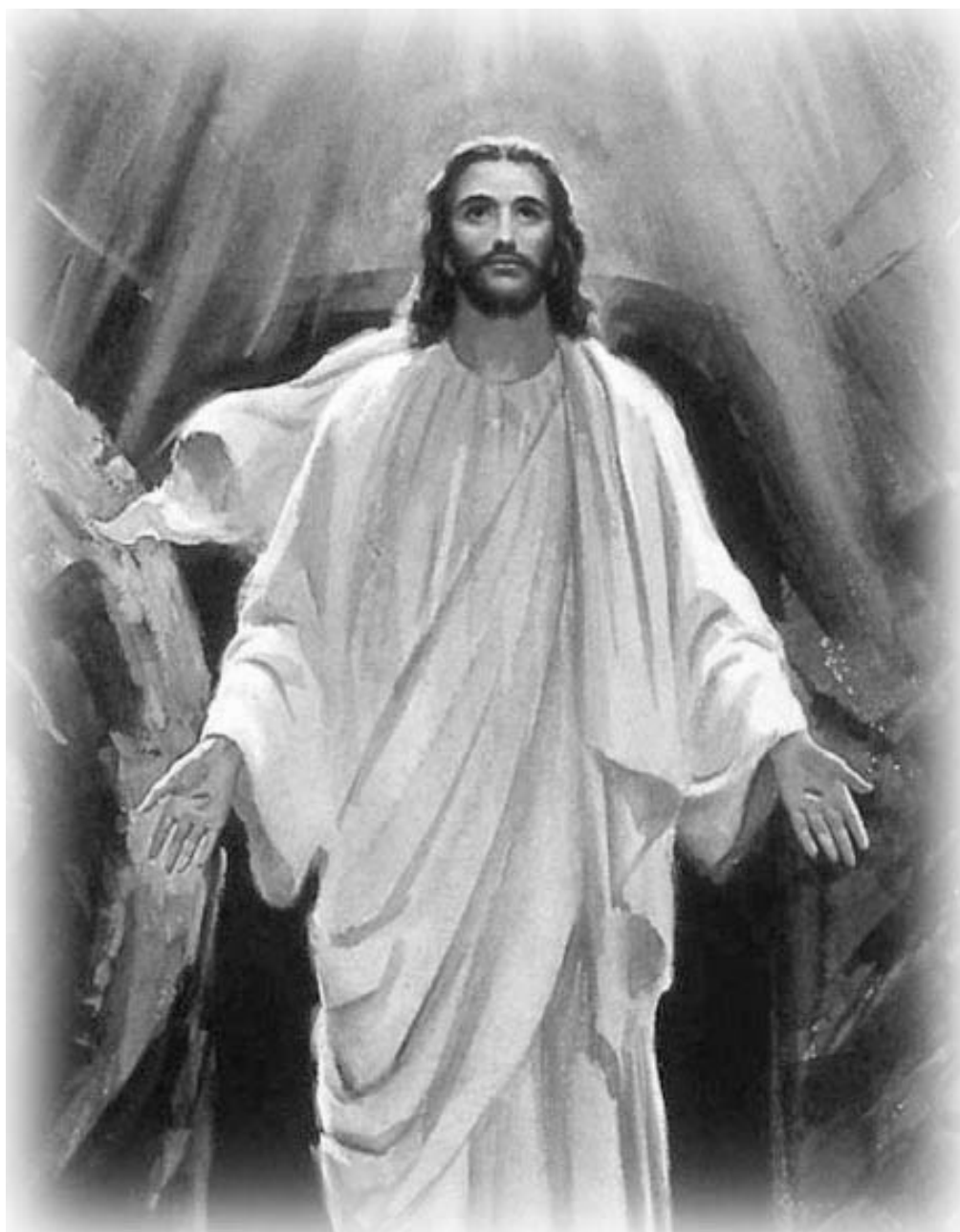
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Rejoice!  
For the Lord is truly risen!

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION



### Monday, Apr. 6<sup>th</sup>

NO MASS

### Tuesday, Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Private Intentions

### Wednesday, Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am +Alfreda Lenio

Requested by the Lenio Family

### Thursday, Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am +Benny Garces

Requested by Connie McHugh

## Divine Mercy Sunday

### Saturday, Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm Mass for the people

After 5 PM Mass – KOC Spaghetti Dinner

### Sunday, Apr. 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Mass for the people

11:00 am Mass for the people

### Pope's Prayer Intention for April

#### *For priests in crisis*

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

## Wavelengths

Growing up, Easter always meant a trip out to the farm for a family dinner. The weather was always chancy, but as long as it wasn't raining, there was always a whole lot of things to keep us occupied. Looking back, I kind of feel sorry for my cousin who was just a few years older than us. (In fact, he was my dad's cousin so to me, he is my first cousin once removed.) He was younger than his older siblings, and the reality was, that as the adults all sat around the handmade black oak table chatting and having conversations, he got stuck making sure that we didn't get into trouble, like making sure we didn't get into the pen with the vicious pig, or tried swinging on the ropes in the hayloft, or the dozens of other things that could become dangerous.

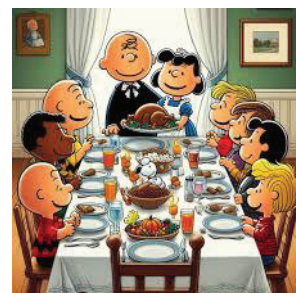
The other building that was always off-limits to us was the gun club. My great uncle owned a trap shooting club, and though there were no shotguns on the premises, there was a very strong prohibition from even wandering the fields, even when the club was closed. We were infrequent visitors (which suited me just fine). I do remember watching my dad trying his hand at the clay targets. Anytime we were there, I found the noise way too annoying. My dad let me shoot one – only one, and it was one more than I ever wanted to shoot. My dad took me duck hunting one, and I am not sure if I have forgiven him yet.

Anyway, back to Easter. When it was time, we all gathered at the huge table. My aunts never wanted us to have a kids' table and an adults' table. For them it was a strike against the family gathering, so with great patience and tolerance, they suffered through my brothers at table. I don't really remember the menu. One of the most exciting parts about the dining room was the floor-to-ceiling, wall-to-wall window that looked out over the ravine and the pond. At Easter, there was always a pair of Canada geese nesting. When Easter was late, you could see the goslings either swimming or chomping on the grass around the point. There were always stories about the snapping turtles keeping the numbers of baby geese in check. It was always fascinating watching the barn swallows with their aerial acrobatics swooping all around feasting on the insects. On occasion, we could see deer on the edge of the reforestation.

The last time we celebrated Easter at the farm was almost 50 years ago, and though details are sketchy at best, what endures beyond the graves of those long-deceased relatives was the rootedness of that quirky menagerie of relatives and though it has been decades, it is so fundamental to how I understand Easter, they remain with me still. Whether it is my mom's turkey dressing (she made the best) or the lumpy potatoes at the farm, or the Chinese food smorgasbord of our family's later years, it all is seated at my Easter dinner.

Happy Easter.

*Fr. Roy*



# He is risen!

## C.W.L. News

Our next meeting is on Monday, Apr. 13th at 1:00pm.  
Hope to see you there!!



## Northern Spring Tea

*Ignite Your Passion – Empower His Mission*

Sat. April 18, 2026 St. Margaret's Parish

REGISTRATION: 11:30 AM

MASS: 12:00 PM

LIGHT LUNCH: 1:00 PM

GUEST SPEAKER: Fr. Roy Roberts

*Please wear your CWL scarves as a fashion statement.  
Surprise for the best idea!*

We are collecting non-perishable food offerings to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. RSVP to Lu Robitaille [lurobitaille@gmail.com](mailto:lurobitaille@gmail.com).

## Break and Breathe Online Caregiver Support Group

**ONLINE**

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is offering a virtual group for those who are currently caring for a loved one. This 6-week group program provides a safe, welcoming, and non-judgmental environment to connect with others who truly understand the challenges and rewards of caregiving.

**When:** Wednesdays, April 15—May 20 1:00-- 2:30 pm

**Where:** Zoom Platform

**Cost:** Free

To learn more or to register, please contact Yan Yan Woo at [ywoo@cfstoronto.com](mailto:ywoo@cfstoronto.com) or 416-921-1163 ext. 2249.

## K.O.C. Spaghetti Dinner

St. Margaret's Parish Hall

Sat. April 11, 2026

after the 5 PM Mass

Everyone is invited to enjoy a mouth-watering spaghetti dinner, served with salad, garlic bread, dessert, coffee and tea.

**FREE WILL OFFERING**



## ShareLife Update

**Wishing you a blessed Easter from ShareLife**

This Easter Sunday, we hold gratitude for the Lord Jesus, our saviour; and for you who brings the hands of Christ to our brothers and sisters in need. We witness how you live the Gospel wholeheartedly, opening your heart to the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized. It is through your love that our family of faith is strengthened. We wish you and your loved ones a blessed and peaceful Easter, blooming with hope.

The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is April 26, 2026.

Thus far we have raised **\$5,577.00** toward our goal of **\$25,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

## Sharing Our Gifts

Parish Givings Report for Sunday, March 29, 2026

Offertory \$4,284.55


*\*Amount includes PAG & Donate Now*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Please remember the following people in your prayers:** Norah Robitaille, Carol Baker, John Gaudet, Gord Burtch, Kelly Jenkins, Pat Leeson, David Charlebois, Johnathan McCord, Lee-Anne Sanderson, Bruce Latanville, Donna Conlin, Maria Curvas, Antonio Guerra, Alba King, Rachel, Jenna Charlebois, David Boyce, Jenny Brock, Garry Edwards, Jose Mendoza, Lauraine Marshall, Barb Ledoucer, Geraldine Diamago, Ralph Ladouceur, Carol Jackson, Carmen Desroches, David Morton, Dan Camp, Elaine Chiasson, Lisa Wright, Judy Martin, Michael Pontze, Alex Latondress, Malachy Maguire, Nick Tardif, Lynda Stanek, Mary Fletcher, Sherry Archer, Abigail Brown, Romelda Morson, Nicole Marchildon, Lilah Bates, Shelley Smith, Peter Pattenaude

**Please pray for our deceased relatives and friends:** Allen Moreau, Fred Nishman

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