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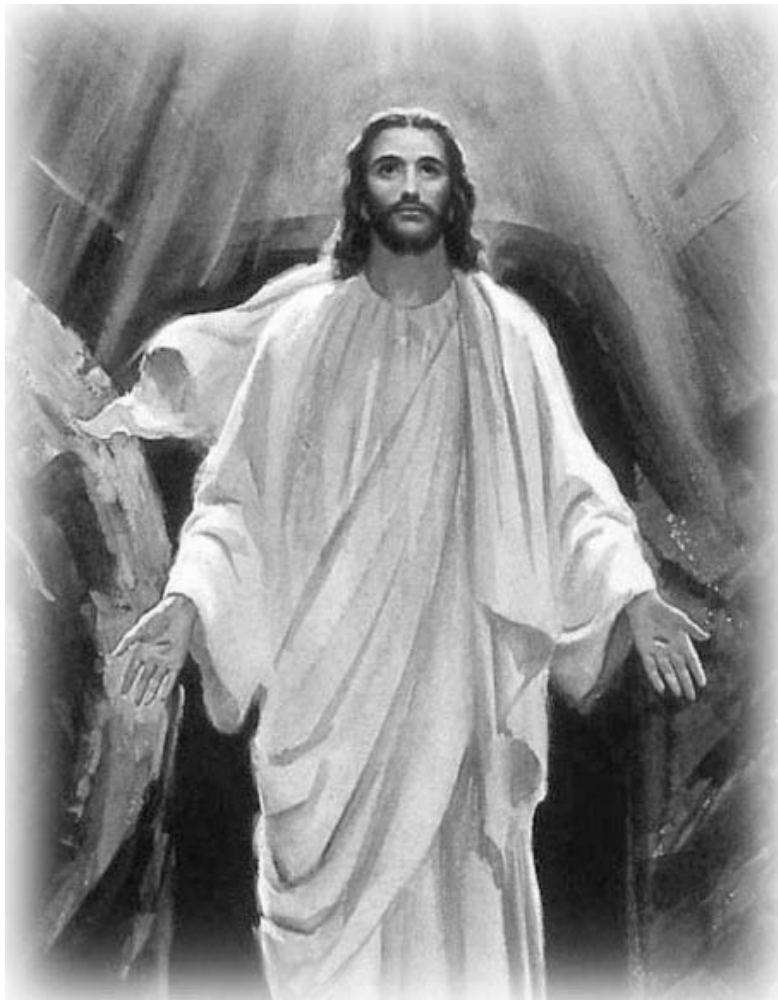
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Rejoice!
For the Lord is truly risen!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends,

What a grace it has been to journey together through Holy Week. From Holy Thursday to the solemn beauty of Good Friday and now the radiant joy of Easter, we have walked with the Lord through His Passion and into His Resurrection. I hope that these sacred days have enriched your lives and drawn you more deeply into the mystery of God's love.

At our Easter Vigil, we were blessed to welcome several new members into the Church through Baptism and full initiation. Their joyful "yes" to Christ is a beautiful witness to the new life that Easter proclaims, and a reminder that the Lord continues to call hearts to Himself in every generation. We also see signs of that new life in our parish as a whole, with growing Mass attendance and a renewed vitality in our community. This is a grace we do not take for granted, and one we are called to nurture together.

Today, we celebrate not simply an event of the past, but a living reality: Christ is risen! and His life is at work among us. Easter is a season of new life and hope renewed, hearts restored and beginnings made possible again. No darkness or suffering has the final word. No burden is beyond Jesus' power to lift.

This season also invites us to look outward. Many people around us are searching, sometimes quietly, sometimes without even knowing it, for meaning, for hope, for a place to belong. If someone comes to mind, don't be afraid to invite them. A simple word, a gentle invitation to return to church or to come for the first time, can open a door.

I truly believe that St. Ignatius Parish is a welcoming and hospitable place, where people can feel at home and encounter the presence of Christ in a real and meaningful way. Each of you helps to make that possible through your kindness, your faith and your presence. And for that, I am profoundly grateful.

May the joy of the Risen Lord fill your hearts and remain with you throughout this Easter season.

With every blessing,
Father Ed

Happy Easter!



Alleluia! Christ is risen!

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS

Catholic Women's League News:

Save the Date: Our next CWL General Meeting will be Tuesday, April 21st and will begin with a presentation by **Jeanne McRight from Blooming Boulevards**. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

New members are warmly welcomed, and membership is open to all women of the parish ages 16 and up. For more information contact Debbie at debbie1993.cwl@gmail.com

Upcoming Parish Events... Save the date!

- **Thurs April 9** - Free Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew, also on April 16, April 23, and May 7
- **May 23 & 24** – SSVF Spring 2026 Bundle Up
- **Sat June 6** – ShareLife Summer BBQ
- **Sun June 7** – Corpus Christi Procession
- **July 19 – 24** – Totus Tuus

Free Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew



St. Matthew's Gospel is considered the most influential and popular book among the early Christian community. St. Matthew clearly makes the case for how the long-awaited hopes of the Jewish people are being fulfilled in Jesus.

- How the Gospel of Matthew clearly makes Jesus out to be a new and greater Moses, David, Solomon, and Isaac
- The shocking paradoxes of the Sermon on the Mount and the implications of them for our spiritual life
- Aspects of Jesus' infancy, public ministry, and last days in Jerusalem that show him to be the long-awaited fulfillment of what the priests, prophets, and kings of old hoped for

We invite you to this free four-part Bible Study in our Parish Hall, happening from **7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.** on the following Thursdays: **April 9th, April 16th, April 23rd, May 7th.**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP)

SSVP continues to help over 110 families coping with food insecurities within our parish boundaries. It is only through your generous financial assistance that we can continue to do this.

We thank you for your continued support and remind you of the Poor Boxes located in the front and hall foyers. You may also donate by scanning our QR code found on the SSVP poor boxes:



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. Please consider giving through the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online via our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

We invite you to regularly check our ShareLife thermometer, located in the parish narthex to see how we're doing. Let's work together to reach our parish goal of **\$288,000.00!** Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

✠ Totus Tuus 2026 Registration Reminder ✠

We are inviting children in Grades 1 – 12 to join us for Totus Tuus 2026, a Catholic summer camp happening at our parish in July! Program Dates & Cost:

- **Evening Program** (Grades 6–12): **July 19–23, 2026**
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., \$50 per camper
- **Day Program** (Grades 1–6): **July 20–24, 2026**
8:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., \$150 per camper

Registration is filling up! Please note that registration closes when capacity is reached or by **May 24, 2026** (whichever comes first). Register online today by scanning the QR code, or visiting: www.totustuutoronto.ca/stignatiusloyola

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa at msiuchong@archtoronto.org. We look forward to hosting your children for an unforgettable week of faith, friendship, and fun!



Volunteers Needed: Be Part of Totus Tuus 2026

We are seeking volunteers for the day and evening programs. Whether you love working with children, supporting teens, organizing behind the scenes, or simply want to serve the Church in a meaningful way, this is a beautiful opportunity to get involved.

This is especially great for:

- Teachers or those discerning a call to education
- University students
- High school students seeking volunteer hours (accepted for day program only)
- Anyone who is faithful, available, & eager to grow

We are also looking for parishioners willing to provide our four missionaries with a home-cooked lunch one day during the week that they are serving our parish. It's a simple but powerful way to support their ministry!

If you feel called to serve as a day program volunteer, evening program volunteer, or to provide lunch for our missionaries, please contact Melissa at msiuchong@archtoronto.org or call the parish office.

Parish Email Updates

If you would prefer to receive parish news via email, please let the parish office know so that we can add you to email list, stignatiusloyolami@archtoronto.org

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS/EVENTS

2026 SPRING ACTS RETREATS

"Come and renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and to apply it to your daily life." Queen of Apostles is hosting the **Women's Retreat on April 16-19**. Contact Rosemary Shoemaker, 647 640-6951 or 342shoe75@gmail.com. The **Men's Retreat** will take place on **May 21-24**. Contact Alex Brandolini, 416 554-8543 or brandolini74@gmail.com. Registration forms and brochures are also available in the church foyer.

Office of Vocations

"He has been raised from the dead!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons, brothers or sisters. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org

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