

E-Newsletter - Thursday May 12, 2022

From the Desk of Fr. Tim...

**Parish Evening of Reflection: *The Resurrection Stories of the Gospels*
Wednesday May 25 at 7:00 pm. in the church (also Livestreamed)**

We welcome Fr. Thomas Rosica CSB back to our parish community as our homilist this weekend and again later in this Easter Season when he will lead us in a meditative reflection on the Resurrection Stories of the four Gospels. Fr. Tom is a scripture scholar and teacher and long-time friend of our parish community.

Although we are not able to hold our traditional dinner as part of the evening, we look forward to having you join us on Wednesday May 25 at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Rosica's presentation will include time for personal and group reflection on these important stories of our Catholic faith.

No tickets are required – bring a friend and just come in person or watch via livestream:
<https://stignatiusloyolami.archtoronto.org> .

***ShareLife* and the World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

When you support *ShareLife*, you help educate our future priests. Through *ShareLife*, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 60 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary in this past academic year.

Cardinal Collins is asking each of us to contribute what we can. He says:

"Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability."

Thus far we have raised **\$94,871.60** toward our goal of **\$255,000**. Thank you for "living the Gospel" through our parish *ShareLife* campaign. If you have not contributed to date, please consider doing so through the collection basket or at <https://sharelife.org/> .

Election Debate from a Catholic Perspective

On Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m., the Archdiocese of Toronto will host an election debate where representatives from the major political parties will discuss issues that matter to Catholics across Ontario. The debate will be livestreamed on the Archdiocese of Toronto's YouTube and Facebook accounts (@archtoronto), and it will be broadcasted on Salt+Light TV.

This evening will include Cardinal Collins sharing his thoughts on the election. More than 12,000 people viewed the archdiocese's 2019 federal election debate, so we hope you will join many other Catholics in sharing your thoughts using the hashtag #CatholicVote2022. Please remember to vote in the provincial election on June 2.

The Archdiocese of Toronto has produced several resources that provide background on election issues through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching. You can find them here: <https://www.archtoronto.org/election> .

Gardening Committee Assistance Needed

Thank you to the parish gardening committee who designs, plants, and maintains the church and rectory gardens during the growing season.

On Saturday June 4 from 900 a.m. to Noon the gardening team will be replenishing the soil, planting, and improving the gardens. Help is needed!

Highschool students are welcome and can earn their Community Service Hours. All interested parishioners are also invited to assist. Please bring your own gardening gloves, shovel, and wheelbarrow if you have one.

Please let us know if you can help by emailing Caroline, cborcsok@archtoronto.org .

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul's Bundle-UP Sunday, June 4/5

Please help support the efforts of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul in our community by donating your gently used items on the weekend of June 4/5.

The container will be in the front parking lot and open before and after all masses. Members of the SVP will be available to receive your donations.

The SVP **can accept** the following items: all clothing (any condition), all footwear (any condition), bedding (any condition), drapery/towels, toys (new only).

The SVP **cannot accept** the following items: baby items (cribs, car seats, strollers, or any other baby furniture), construction material (any condition), dishes (any kind), furniture (any kind) and books, videos, and audio cassettes.

Please place your items in boxes or securely tied garbage bags. Thank you for your support!

The Rosary Apostolate

The Rosary Apostolate in our parish schools - St. Mark and St. Clare - is seeking volunteers who have great devotion to the Our Blessed Mother Mary and who are willing to visit our elementary schools to pray the Rosary with the children once a month for a total of 8 days in the year. Training and screening will be provided.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, please contact Judy Camilleri at judy.camiller.2010@gmail.com

Confirmation 2022

Confirmations will be celebrated on **Tuesday June 14** and **Wednesday June 15 at 7:00 p.m.** and students have already registered.

The mandatory rehearsal (for one Confirmation parent as well as the candidate) will take place on either Tuesday June 7 at 7:00 p.m. or Wednesday June 8 at 7:00 p.m. The church will open at 6:45 p.m. each evening and you do not need to book a specific rehearsal date. Attendance will, however, be taken and students will not be able to celebrate Confirmation if they do not attend one of the rehearsals with a parent.

The Confirmation celebrations will also be livestreamed via our parish website so that family members and friends can attend virtually: <https://stignatiusloyolami.archtoronto.org/> .

Let us keep our Confirmation candidates in our prayers in these weeks leading up to their reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Catholic Family Services Peel-Dufferin (CFSPD)

Catholic Family Services Peel-Dufferin is a multi-service counselling agency that has been providing services in the Region of Peel since 1981. Their mandate is to strengthen families and help stop family violence. Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin is accredited by the Canadian Centre for Accreditation, and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto – supported by *ShareLife*: <https://cfspd.com>

Due to the ongoing pandemic and as per Public Health recommendation all support services, counselling and virtual psychotherapy are being conducted through telephone and a virtual platform. To access services, please contact, 905-450-1608 ext. 112. If you are in crisis, please call Victim Services of Peel 24-hour crisis line, 905-568-1068.

Livestream of Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass

For those not comfortable or able to return to mass quite yet we continue to encourage you to view the livestream of our Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass via our parish website: <https://stignatiusloyolami.archtoronto.org> .