

Sunday of Divine Mercy – April 24, 2022

Saturday, Apr. 23	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	For those who need our prayers & for the spiritually neglected
Sunday, Apr. 24 <i>(Divine Mercy & 1st Communion)</i>	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Members of the Parish Raymond & Doris Brennan
Monday, Apr. 25	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Tuesday, Apr. 26	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	John & Kathleen Johnston
Wednesday, Apr. 27	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Thursday, Apr. 28	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	Brian Johnston
Friday, Apr. 29	9:00 am	St. Carthagh's	No Intention
Saturday, Apr. 30	5:00 pm	St. Carthagh's	Sharon Frost
Sunday, May 1 <i>(3rd Sunday of Easter & 1st Communion)</i>	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Edmund's St. Carthagh's	Members of the Parish Mary Stafford Cassidy

Please Remember in Your Prayers: All those who are sick, including: F. Boomhour, Neive Alderson, Norene Ruffilli, Amanda Lake, Ginger Kehoe, Margaret Dupuis-Ives, Terry Horrigan, Debbie LaCroix, Presley Noble, Rob Montgomery, Margaret-Rose Wood, Michelle Fobert, Ben Paul, Carrie Young, Jeanette Prevost, Dale McTaggart, David Gohl, Susan Horrigan, Barb Greene, Roy Lamb, Doug Lessard, Carolyn Saunders, Bill Cassidy, Sarah Knill, and Bob Lee.

Please let us know at the office if you would like to add to or remove a name from the list of the sick.

Offertory Collections:

St. Carthagh's	April 16 & 17	Regular Sunday Easter Collection	\$660 \$470
St. Edmund's	April 17	Regular Sunday Easter Collection	\$995 \$795

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING TO OUR CHURCHES

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
St. Carthagh's			
Saturday, Apr. 30	Karen LaVallée	Carol Genereaux	Greg Donohue
Sunday, May 1	Shirley Kehoe	Joan McTaggart	George Scott
St. Edmund's	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>ORGANIST</u>	<u>USHERS</u>
<i>Sunday, May 1</i>	<i>Cecilia Maines</i>	<i>Donna Broek</i>	<i>Patti Marlin Marian Dolan</i>

Scheduled First Communion and Confirmation Celebrations:

- ✠ **May 1st** – during **11:00 am** Mass at St. Carthagh's.
- ✠ **May 8th** – during **11:00 am** Mass at St. Carthagh's.
- ✠ **May 15th** – during **11 am** Mass at St. Carthagh's.
- ✠ **May 29th** – **Confirmation** during **11 am** Mass at St. Carthagh's.

It would be much appreciated if parents/guardians whose children are making either the First Communion or Confirmation would please tender in a copy of the baptismal record of the child as soon as practicable. This will enhance the smooth administration and preparation for these sacraments. You may scan it and send it by email to aidacgh@yahoo.com or fax it to 613-478-5546 or tender it in at the Parish Office. Thank you!

“Have mercy on us and on the whole world”

This weekend, we are celebrating the Second Sunday of Easter, also known as *Sunday of Divine Mercy*. In 2001 St. Pope John Paul II inaugurated *Divine Mercy Sunday*, to be celebrated every year on the 2nd Sunday of Easter. At the inauguration, the Pope declared: “Throughout the world the 2nd Sunday of Easter will receive the name **Divine Mercy Sunday**, a perennial invitation...to face, with divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that humanity will experience in the years to come.” What a beautiful truth of faith this is for our lives: the mercy of God! God’s love for us is so great, so deep; it is an unfailing love, one which always takes us by the hand and supports us, lifts us up and leads us on. As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, some of our children are also making their First Holy Communion. In other words, they will begin to receive Jesus really present in the Eucharist. This is an act of God’s mercy to them, to their families and to our community. The candidates from St. Carthagh’s are: Evelyn Enright, Lucy Boyce, Leo Boyce, Tenley Demille, Blake Bailey, Aubrey Bailey, Gerald Ebel, Katelyn Roy, Ainsley White, Kingsley Lessard, Jordan Patterson. Those from St. Edmund’s are: Mason Broek, Aengus Dolan, Jasiah Paranuik, Trey Paranuik, Jacob Mckeown. This second Sunday of Easter, invites these new communicants together with all of us to approach Christ with faith, opening our hearts to peace, joy and his mission. As newcomers to the eucharistic table, however, they may have many questions – how can Jesus be truly present in Holy Communion and in each broken piece of Communion? Why do I need the Eucharist to live a strong Christian life? Why do I need to receive Communion in a state of grace? What is Mass all about? The apostle Thomas also had similar questions. He had serious doubts about Jesus’ resurrection, and therefore wanted to see and to put his hand in the place of the nails and in Jesus’ side. Yet, Jesus did not abandon him in his stubborn unbelief. With mercy and patience, he allowed Thomas to grow and mature, and he came to profess his faith in Jesus: “My Lord and my God.” Thomas allowed divine mercy to envelope him and to guide him. Like Thomas, may grace and mercy lead these First Communion children to a firm belief in Jesus, their Lord, Savior and God.

A Message from Archbishop Michael Mulhall to the People of the Archdiocese, dated April 11, 2022:

My Dear Faithful of the Archdiocese:

In recent weeks, the world has seen and heard of the devastating news of the war in Ukraine and read the reports of the suffering of her people. We have all been moved to support Ukrainians in prayer, solidarity and humanitarian aid.

I invite you to make a financial contribution to Ukrainians locally and abroad by contributing to a special Archdiocesan second collection on **Sunday, May 1st**. Please place your donation in an envelope, marked **“Ukrainian Collection.”** You are asked to include your name and address on the envelope so that your contribution can be recorded, and an income tax receipt can be issued by the parish. Cheques are to be made payable to the parish. All donations from parishioners will be forwarded to the Chancery Office and donated to three organizations assisting with humanitarian support and aid:

1. **The Mayor's Fund for Students from Ukraine** - The Ukrainian Canadian Club of Kingston, with the support of the mayor, is raising money to support Ukrainian international students who are studying in Kingston but are unable to return home.
2. **Catholic Near East Welfare Association** — They are providing humanitarian aid directly into Ukraine and to Ukrainian refugees in neighbouring countries.
3. **Ukrainian Canadian Congress** — They also are providing humanitarian aid directly into Ukraine.

If you have Ukrainian or Russian neighbours and friends, I encourage you to check in with them, drop off a meal or card letting them know we are thinking of them and holding them in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Michael Mulhall
Archbishop of Kingston

Queen of Heaven

- V.** Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
- R.** For he whom you did merit to bear, alleluia,
- V.** Has risen as he said, alleluia.
- R.** Pray for us to God, alleluia,
- V.** Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia,
- R.** For the Lord is truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray: O God who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we beseech you, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, his mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**