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3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, “Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.” - Lk 24:45-46



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WEEKEND MASS

Due to the current gathering restrictions, Masses have been temporarily suspended. We are, however, offering Communion Services. Please visit the homepage of our website to register.

blessedozanam.ca/registering-for-mass/

CONFESSION

By appointment only. Please contact Fr. Rick to make arrangements.

Praying the News | April 18, 2021

"Look at My hands and My feet, that it is I, Myself. Touch Me and see..."
~Luke 24:39

Dear Lord, we are grateful for Your resurrection and membership in Your living Body. Help us feel Your presence in our lives and see You in our brothers and sisters, especially Your beloved poor. We pray today for those fleeing violence and hunger, those where the Covid vaccine is still not available, those who are unjustly imprisoned, and all who feel invisible and untouchable to society.

Jesus, we trust in you. Amen.



**Archdiocesan Week of
Prayer for Vocations
Monday, April 19 –
Saturday, April 24, 2021**

During this week, Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director, Office of Vocations, has asked that we all take some time, as a community, to pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious, and consecrated life.

At this time, we also ask that you pray for our 6 soon-to-be priests along with all those who are discerning and who are currently in formation. For more information, please contact your parish office, or email the Office of Vocations at vocations@archtoronto.org



Stewardship CORNER

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...”

- LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.

That we may open our hearts to receive more fully all of God’s simple and abundant blessings.

John Paul II’s prayer to St. Padre Pio for strength during suffering

Teach us, we ask you, humility of heart so we may be counted among the little ones of the Gospel, to whom the Father promised to reveal the mysteries of his Kingdom.

Help us to pray without ceasing, certain that God knows what we need even before we ask him.

Obtain for us the eyes of faith that will be able to recognize right away in the poor and suffering the face of Jesus.

Sustain us in the hour of the combat and of the trial and, if we fall, make us experience the joy of the sacrament of forgiveness.

Grant us your tender devotion to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and our Mother.

Accompany us on our earthly pilgrimage toward the blessed homeland, where we hope to arrive in order to contemplate forever the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Garden Ministry is hosting another webinar on Monday, April 19th, from 7-9 p.m.

Please join us on-line to learn how you can support the vitality of our native pollinators in order to ensure higher crop yields that will help feed the world, and especially those who are most financially vulnerable among us. Visit the Blessed Frédéric Ozanam website to learn more and to register for the webinar.



ShareLife

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday!

“Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it’s crucial we meet our parish campaign goal of \$13.8 million. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part.”

– Cardinal Thomas Collins

Our Parish goal is \$20,000.

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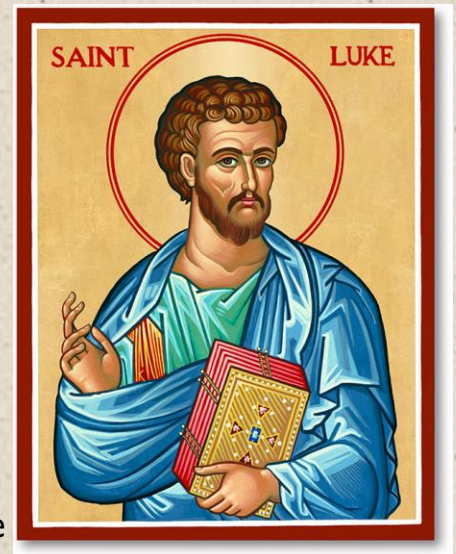
April 18, 2021 — Third Sunday of Easter

[ACTS 3:13-15, 17-19; PS 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9; 1 JN 2:1-5a; LK 24:35-48](#)

In addition to celebrating all Christ did for us this Easter season, we also are reminded of how His sacrifice impacts our lives.

Today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus should be the center of our lives. This passage begins with two disciples realizing Jesus had just appeared to them.

We can learn a valuable lesson from these disciples. To recognize Jesus' appearances in our lives, we need to know Him. And the best way to know the Lord is to spend time with Him. It can start with just 10 minutes of quiet prayer a day and increasing that each week. We might begin by reading Scripture, books on the lives of the Saints, or even a decade of the Rosary. Yet the goal should be to carve out time each day, in a quiet space, for just you and the Lord.



As the disciples mentioned, they recognized it was Jesus in the breaking of the bread. We, too, can better know the Lord through the sacraments, most especially the Holy Mass. The Eucharist is Jesus Himself — Body, Blood Soul, and Divinity. What better way to grow in intimacy with Christ than to receive Him frequently or to go talk to Him in front of the Blessed Sacrament? As we make Jesus the center of our lives through prayer and the sacraments, we will be able to recognize Him in day-to-day moments.

As we are still in the midst of this Easter season, take time to think about what Christ did for us and the changes we should make in our daily lives to help us grow closer to Him.

— **Stewardship Reflections by** [Catholic Stewardship Consultants](#)



"Well done, my good and faithful servant."
Matthew 25:23

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Tuesday March 30, 2021 7:00 pm EST

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HFIII4zHRymvWC8CzkdXYQ

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Tuesday April 13, 2021 6:00 pm PST

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Qz3xid0kTWuRUnJU0oii0Q

How to Eliminate Essential Financial Insecurity in the Pandemic

Wednesday April 21, 2021 at 7:00 pm EST Register Here:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SpysT0HuQgyDpmmr73lOSg

Wednesday April 28th, 2021 at 6:00 pm PST Register Here:

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For over 130 years the Knights of Columbus has provided all of the opportunities in this brochure and more for its members.

The Knights of Columbus is not just a fraternity in name. It is a brotherhood of Catholic men who each play a part in improving the world around them, one community at a time. They stand together in faith, dedicated to uphold the principles they cherish while lending their support and strength to parish, home and fellow Knight.

From charity for worldwide causes, to helping closer to home with volunteer activities, to a top-rated insurance program that protects those closest to you, the Knights makes the most of its brotherhood.

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For more information:

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We are a band of brothers, a network of men in communities around the world dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbor.

What we provide

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- Support our parish with its needs
- Help meet the needs of those in our community
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- Support programs that benefit people with intellectual disabilities
- Aid victims of natural disasters and other catastrophic events, local and worldwide
- Donate wheelchairs to people without mobility at home and abroad
- Save lives through initiatives such as the “Ultrasound Program”

Charity is the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. Knights are men who get things done. We volunteer our time to serve our parishes and our communities. And by working together, we were able to donate more than \$1.5 billion and 700 million volunteer hours to worthy causes in the past decade.

SUPPORT

- A unique “band of brothers”
- Shared values and the support to live out our Catholic faith more fully
- The ability for our network to accomplish things together that we could not accomplish alone

Unity and Fraternity are the second and third principles of the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus was founded so that men could work together to serve their parishes and communities, protect the well being of their Catholic families, and support each other in faith and in many other ways along life’s journey. The Knights of Columbus offers its members the opportunity to grow in their faith through living the example of a charity that evangelizes and personifying what it means to be a Catholic gentleman through the practicing of good works.

STABILITY

- Exclusive access to our top-rated life insurance products, available only to members and their families
- Your insurance agent is a Knight dedicated to helping his brother Knights protect their families

As a Knight, you and your family have exclusive access to our top-quality insurance products. As an organization founded to protect the well being of Catholic families, we have continued to take that mission seriously for more than 130 years. Generations of Catholics have counted on the Knights of Columbus, and in an increasingly turbulent world, you can trust the Knights of Columbus to affordably and securely protect the future of your loved ones and to be there when you need us most.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Loving God, I come to you in thanksgiving
knowing that all that I am and all that I have is a gift from you.
In faith and love, help me to do your will.
I am listening, Lord God.
Speak your words into the depth of my soul,
that I may hear you clearly.
I offer to you this day all the facets of my life,
whether it be at home, at work, or at school –
to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous, to be holy.
Give me the wisdom and insight
to understand your will for me
and the fervor to fulfill my good intentions.
I offer my gifts of time, talent, and possessions to you
as a true act of faith,
to reflect my love for you and my neighbour.
Help me to reach out to others as you, my God,
Have reached out to me.
Amen.

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