

EASTER MESSAGE



We greet you all a blessed EASTER! We rejoice with the whole of humanity and all created beings in the Risen Lord who is our HOPE!

St. Augustine wrote: *“And He departed from our sight that we might return to our hearts and there find Him. For He departed and behold, He is here!”*

Easter is the celebration of the affirmation that Jesus has been raised from the dead. Easter confirms that the resurrection of Jesus is also our rising to new life. Jesus is our resurrection.

The resurrection is not a return to human earthly life, a life still subject to evil and destruction. The life that the Risen Christ now possesses is God’s very life. That is why He will not die again. Sin has no more power over Him. In Jesus the Risen One, we are assured that God was, is and will be victorious over sinfulness, viciousness, wickedness, corruption and violence.

Yes, we suffer as we have our Good Friday. We are betrayed and abandoned. There are pain and problems. There are hardship and suffering. We experience tragedies. We encounter crises. We face death.

But, we know that before us, Jesus underwent all these terrible things. We know that Jesus overcame all these human afflictions. But the Risen Christ is our Hope!

So, we have to turn and trust Jesus, to raise our will and spirit to God. Easter promises us new life that Jesus has won for us. With the resurrection of Jesus, we have redemption. We can now return to the Father. We have been reconciled with Him. We are saved!

Let us accept the invitation of Easter: to live a life of hope, of fidelity to God, and a total commitment to His divine plan. Let us together walk the way of Jesus, and leave behind the darkness of grief and doubts. Let us then embrace a new beginning. Our lives are now full of hope, meaning and love. Yes, God is with us. His grace is upon us.

Let us then reflect and find hope, meaning and inspiration from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans:

“By this Baptism in His cross, we were buried with Christ and as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we begin walking a new life. It was an image of His death when we are grafted in Him, and so we will also share in His resurrection.”

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!

**Fr. Freddy Claudio
(On Behalf of the Pastoral Team)**

MONDAY, April 21st –SUNDAY, APRIL 27th



MON, Apr 21st	7:30 a.m.	†Manuel Andres
TUE, Apr 22nd	7:30 a.m.	†Virgil Catajoy, Sr.
WED, April 23rd	7:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving for Annalyn Catajoy
THURS, Apr 24 th	7:30 a.m.	†Jessie Colaço
FRI, Apr 25 th	7:00 p.m.	†Valmond Pelletier
SAT, Apr 26th	8:30 a.m.	†Reuben Zabala / Birthday
		thanksgiving-Thelma Soguilon/
		†Antonio & Crispina Franco / Birthday of Henry Rapinan /
		†Dony Ramirez
SUN, Apr 27 th	7:30 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Rose of Lima
	9:00 a.m.	†Deceased members of Pereira Family
	10:45 a.m.	†Allan Alfred
	12:30 p.m.	†Lourdes David
	4:30 p.m.	Mass in Vietnamese

We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the housebound, the “forgotten members” in our community, and their families and caregivers. Lord, surround them with your healing and steadfast love.



To our Youth Group for the Passion play Presentation!!

To Our Volunteers who helped in the Church Cleaning last week!

To the EDGE Team, Parents and all other Volunteers for a successful Kick Off Event!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IN OUR PARISH, Thursday, May 1st at 7:00 p.m.

MASS FOR SENIOR PARISHIONERS

"Mary's Golden Rose Mass of Hope"

Wednesday, May 7th at 9:30 a.m. Social to Follow.



ALL PARISHIONERS -
TEENS AND ADULTS -
JOIN US FOR THE **PRO-LIFE MARCH** in

OTTAWA - THURSDAY, MAY 8

This is a call to action to show your objection to abortion on demand because there are approximately 90,000 wrongful abortions each year in Canada!

Fr. Freddy is encouraging you to come with him to take part in this protest march.

St Rose of Lima Church has reserved 1 highway coach (with toilet). The cost is ONLY \$20 per person. Please let us know of your interest ASAP.

Contact Carmen Debono for more info: 416-431-0629, cvdebono@yahoo.com.

Let's march to show that we know ... abortion is wrong!



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A **SOLEMN PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER**, ON SATURDAY, MAY 10th AT 6:00 P.M., AFTER THE 5:00 P.M. MASS. CROWNING OF MARY WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER THE PROCESSION.

Regular Parish Activities

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD – Mondays from 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. in the Church.

KARATE – Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Hall.

RCIA – Every Thursdays from 7:30–8:30 pm in the Basement.

TAI CHI – Fridays from 7:30 p.m. –9:00 p.m. in the Hall.

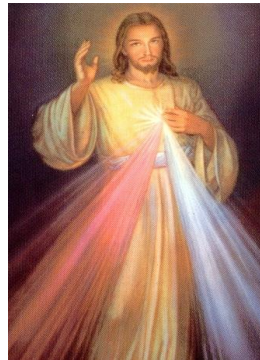
LIBRARY & RESOURCE CENTRE - Please return books to the Parish office.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Last weekend to pick up unclaimed 2014 offertory envelopes will be on weekend of May 3 & 4. Thereafter, previously issued envelopes will be cancelled and allotted to a new Parishioner. Also, a reminder not to use envelopes from previous years to avoid discrepancies.



Remainder of the DIVINE MERCY NOVENA SCHEDULE



Easter Sunday, Apr 20th, 2 p.m.
Mon, Apr 21st, 6 p.m.
Tues, Apr 22nd, 6 p.m.
Wed, Apr 23rd, 6 p.m.
Thurs, Apr 24th, 6 p.m.
Fri, Apr 25th, 6 p.m.
Sat, Apr 26th, 4 p.m.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Is April 27, 2014. The Sunday Vigil Mass will be Divine Mercy celebration.

THE YOUTH CORNER



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**St Rose of Lima
Next Event
April 22nd
from 7:00-9:00 pm
Grades 5, 6, 7-8
See You There**

For further information, please contact Fr. Silvio at 416-438-6729x26 or by email associatepastor@stroseoflimaparish.ca