

## EASTER SUNDAY



### Monday, March 28, 7 p.m.

+Ken MacDonald req by Joe MacDonald  
+Vittorina Pulito req by Pulito Family

### Tuesday, March 29, 9 a.m.

Sp Int Harper & Caffrey req by  
Carmelita Ring

### Wednesday, March 30, 7 p.m.

Special Intention

### Thursday, March 31, 9 a.m.

+Ken MacDonald req by Pat & Marc  
Belcourt

### Friday April 1, 7 p.m.

+Ken MacDonald req by Rayan &  
Fernando Families

+Roger Tyron Fernando req by  
Mary Fernando

+Jeanette & Joyce Coe req by  
Maurice Coe

+Mary & Steve Rak req by  
Kostelski Family

+Josie Liscio & Pasqualina

Liscio req by Paul & Lucy Liscio

+Maria & Francesco Ignazzitto req  
by Ignazzitto Family

+Jaden Shane Tjon-A-Tai req by  
Sokarijo Family

+Lanari Bonomo req by Mrs. Braccia

### Saturday, April 2

9 a.m. +Ken MacDonald req by  
Jack & Halena O'Rourke

5 p.m. Thanksgiving for Christina  
req by Wachon Family

### DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Holy Saturday 3:00 p.m. sung in Church

Easter Sunday 3:00 p.m. sung in Church

Monday – Friday 7:00 p.m.

(before Mass on M-W-F & 7:00 p.m. T-Th.)

Final Saturday 3:00 p.m. sung in Church

### HOLY FAMILY GIFT STORE

If you are looking for keepsakes for  
Baptism, First Communion &  
Confirmation, please take a moment to  
look at the beautiful items in our gift store.  
We have plenty of new gifts/souvenirs you  
can choose from.

### PARISH SPIRITUAL RENOVATION MEETING

I would like to thank those parishioners who signed up to form a group of "Discipleship Leaders" that will be tasked with putting our parish spiritual renewal efforts into practice. I invite those who signed up to attend the information session on **Monday, April 4, 2016** at 7:30pm in the parish hall. At this meeting, we will be making a presentation about this process and will share our vision in a more concrete way. I extend my invitation to those who have not signed up and who would like to dedicate themselves with the commitment for the spiritual renovation of our parish.

### ASSISTED SUICIDE-PROTECT THE VULNERABLE & THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

By June 2016, the Government of Canada is expected to pass legislation to legalize assisted suicide. Cardinal Collins encourages Catholics throughout the archdiocese to **visit CanadiansforConscience.ca** and support the Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience. The coalition represents a group of like-minded partners, including 5,000 doctors across Canada, who are committed to protecting conscience rights for health practitioners and facilities. You can use this website to write directly to your Member of Parliament, respectfully expressing your concerns. Given tight timelines for this legislation, pls take action no later than April 1, 2016.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY BREAKFAST

Holy Family Knights of Columbus invite you to their annual breakfast on **April 24 after the 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:00 am Masses** in the Msgr. Breen Hall. Prices are adults \$5, family is \$10. Please come and enjoy breakfast with us. Proceeds are used to support ministries throughout the year at Holy Family.

### HOLY FAMILY 60S & 70S DINNER DANCE

We are inviting everyone to the Holy Family 60's and 70's Dinner and Dance that will be held in the church hall on Saturday **April 30** at 7pm. Come out and dance the night away. We will have dinner, a DJ, a silent auction and lots of prizes. Tickets will soon be available for sale at the back of the church. Tickets can be obtained by phoning Paddy Cauley at 905 430 6906.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

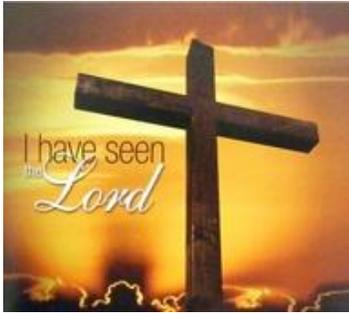
Holy Family Parish will be having a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, **May 7th at 11am**. Registered parishioners celebrating **Milestone Wedding Anniversary in 2016 (10<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, etc.)** are invited to renew your vows and commitment at a special Mass to celebrate your anniversary. Families and friends are welcome. Light refreshments will be served in the hall after the mass. Call the office at 905-665-6470 to register or for more information.



*Mary A Biblical Walk with The Blessed Mother will  
begin on April 11th at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall.*

**Next ShareLife Sunday is April 17, 2016**  
**Please give generously**

MARCH 27, 2016



## **“I have seen the Lord” John 20:18**

This Easter it is good to reflect on how we can possibly help in the task of the New Evangelization, especially during this year of Mercy.

What is the new evangelization? Perhaps we can learn from the first evangelization, the very first evangelist, Mary Magdalene, who brought the news of the resurrection to the apostles. What does she do? She says five simple words “I have seen the Lord.”

The good news of our Faith is that Jesus is risen! Jesus is alive! How do we know he’s alive? We have seen him, we have experienced him in our lives. Jesus has enlightened our path, he has answered our prayers, he has been by our side in our struggles, and he has forgiven our sins.

“I have seen the Lord.” To evangelize is to let people know that Jesus is alive by sharing our experience of how we have seen him. Proclaiming the good news of Jesus’ resurrection means giving concrete witness “to unconditional and faithful love.”

This means everyone can evangelize! You don’t need to be an internet wizard to evangelize. You don’t need to know a lot about the Bible or catechism. You don’t need to be a dynamic speaker or know a lot about pop culture. You don’t even need to live an exemplary life. You can be a great sinner and still evangelize. You can still speak of how you have seen the Lord. Sometimes the greatest sinners are the best evangelizers because they have experienced the mercy, patience and kindness of the Lord!

“I have seen the Lord.” This is the good news. We can say it in many ways, but the message is the same: “I have seen the Lord.” Because we have met the Lord we want to learn more about him. We want to deepen our relationship with him. We will always keep growing, but in the meantime we can still say “I have seen the Lord.” We want to purify our hearts and actions so that our sins are not a distraction to others or an obstacle in getting to know Jesus. However, we don’t need to be a saint before we evangelize. We can start right now: “I have seen the Lord” and have experienced His mercy, His patience, and His goodness.

“I have seen the Lord.” This is our Easter Message. This is the good news. This is the source of our Joy this day.

During Lent we are recreated, so that in the weeks and months ahead, the power of Christ’s love may be at work in us, enabling us to be “missionary disciples” so that we can invite others to come to Jesus, so too they can experience His transforming love for themselves. Just like the first disciples, we are sent forth by the Risen Lord, Jesus, to evangelize, primarily, by our witnessing in daily life, but also in our conversations and dialogue. An aspect of being a witness means embracing charity and reaching out to the less fortunate in practical ways, so that Jesus Christ’s loving care is made visible to them.

The Risen Lord Jesus will answer our requests to transform our hearts to be like His. With hearts transformed, we can truly live as His disciples, who are witnesses to the power of His risen life at work in all of us.

I wish you all the Joy and Peace of the Risen Lord this Easter and invite you to share this with all your near and dear ones.

I remain yours in our Lord,

Fr. László Nagy  
Pastor