

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024 ~ YEAR B

Readings: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 1 John 2:1-5 Luke 24:35-48

'Thus, it is written, that the Christ is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day.'

MASS INTENTIONS 🕆 ÷

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday, April 13 5 pm Sunday, April 14 10 am

for Leona Hazelton for Steven Cronkwright for Daphne Butler & family, living & deceased ት ት

Missa Pro Populo

Monday, April 15 to Friday April 19

NO MASSES SCHEDULED

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

TOORTHOUNDAT OF EASTER				
Saturday, April 20 5 pm for Tony Gazzola				
int. of Dante Daquioag				
for Fred & Veronica MacPherson				
& family, living & deceased				
Sunday, April 21 10 am Missa Pro Populo				
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Mon, April 22 8am for Fred Bruning & family,				
living & deceased				
Tue, April 23 8am for all Bishops, Priests & Religious,				
living & deceased				
Wed, April 24 8am for Michael, Peter & Matta				
Thurs, April 25 8am int. of Dave Hazelton				
Fri, April 26 8am int. of Deacon Jack Giroux				
(*for ~ Deceased *int. ~ Special Intention-Living)				

UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

If you have moved or changed your information or have a new phone number, please contact the parish office to be sure your information is up to date. Having your correct information is necessary.

THE EASTER CANDLE

The Easter or Paschal Candle is a reminder of the presence of the Risen Christ among the people of God. The Candle remains in the Sanctuary until Pentecost Sunday. It is used during the celebration of Baptism, at which time the candles of the newly baptized are lit from it. It is also used during Funeral Masses, standing near the casket or cremated remains.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

Our new men's group will meet on Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. All men of the Parish are welcome!

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THANK YOU				
FOR YOUR FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP				
AND FOR USING E-TRANSFER				
<u>Sunday, April 7, 2024</u>				
Sunday Offertory	~	\$	2,071.00	
Offertory Loose	~	\$	170.75	
Special Projects	~	\$	847.00	
Spec Proj Loose	~	\$	24.25	
Easter	~	\$	180.55	
Candle	~	\$	27.00	
Sunday Missal	~	\$	5.00	
Hall Rental	~	\$	210.00	
Pancake Sunday	~	\$	456.35	
E-transfers April 1 to 7, 2024				
Sunday Offertory	~	\$	400.00	
Memorial Donation	~	\$	120.00	

E-TRANSFER FOR WEEKLY DONATIONS

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REMEMBER YOUR PARISH Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED April 15 to 19

The Parish Office will open on Tuesday, April 23 at 9:00 a.m.

NEXT BULLETIN ISSUED Sunday, April 28

HOUR OF REPARATION OF THE SACRED **HEART AND EXPOSITION** Each Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! NEXT HOSPITALITY SUNDAY IS APRIL 21

Everyone is invited to join with other parishioners from our parish for a time of fellowship and refreshment in the Parish Hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

CWL SPRING DESSERT CARD PARTY Wednesday, May 1 at 1:00 p.m.

Tickets \$10.00 each to be purchased in advance. Bring your cards and games. There will be Desserts, Door Prizes and 50/50 Draw For tickets contact Kate 905-937-2914 or Yvonne 289-241-1041 or at the Parish Office 905-687-6971 Proceeds to Hospice Niagara and Niagara Life Centre.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

There are no 8:00 a.m. weekday Masses scheduled from Monday, April 15 to Friday, April 19. Weekday 8:00 a.m. Mass will resume on Monday, April 22

ADDITIONAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

There is now Eucharistic Adoration in the church on Saturdays from 4:00-4:45pm during Confession times. The Holy Hour on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. remains unchanged.

EASTER SEASON - FIFTY DAYS

The seven weeks from Easter to Pentecost are celebrated as one great feast day. St. Athanasius called them "The Great Sunday." Christians sing the Alleluia during these days in their rejoicing. The Easter Alleluia is an enthusiastic and joyful Acclamation announcing victory over death, the promise of a new life, the presence of the risen Lord. The Church celebrates for fifty days, culminating with the feast of Pentecost - calling all to Service, to Mission and to Evangelization.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING

Wednesday, May 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All ladies of the Parish are welcome!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. Thursday ~ 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Sunday ~ 9:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Confession also available by appointment

Please turn off or silence cellphones when in the church as the sound is very disruptive.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY SPRING APPEAL

This weekend at all Masses the St. Vincent de Paul Society will present their Spring Appeal. Envelopes for this Appeal are included in your Sunday Offering boxes or you may use a SVDP envelope at the entrances. Thank you for supporting the many good works of the St. Vincent de Paul in our Parish.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY MEETING

Tuesday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. New members are welcome!

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For your information, a Quarterly Financial Statement for January to March 2024 is issued and inserted in the bulletin. A member of the Finance Committee will be speaking about this statement on the weekend of April 21 at all Masses. If you have any questions or thoughts regarding this, please feel free to contact one of the Finance Committee Members.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Sunday, April 21

The Fourth Sunday of Easter, Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations. Christ the Good Shepherd, continues to lead his people through His Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and calls many to follow Him in this way. Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's people. Please prav for continued vocations and for our Bishop, Priests, Deacons and Religious of our Diocese.

PRAYER REQUEST

I have a prayer request: I ask that everyone please pray one Hail Mary per day for the next month, for the intention that the efforts of our Parish Council bear much fruit.

GLIMPSE FROM OUR PAST

Our first pastor, Father Reilly O'Leary who served here from 1961 to 1970, died on April 23, 1989. April 28 marks the 61st Anniversary of the opening and blessing of our Church by Bishop Thomas J. McCarthy in 1963.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1394 PASTA NIGHT ~ Saturday, April 20

235 Church St., St. Catharines Doors open at 5:00 ~ Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Fundraiser for Ozanam Centre. Cost is \$20 each. Tickets contact Don Mikulinski at 905-684-6917 or don.mikulinski@gmail.com

Please refer to the Bulletin Boards at the back and side entrance of the Church for many important notices and events.