

### **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER / YEAR B**

***Our Lord's glorious resurrection is the crowning miracle of his sojourn on earth among men. It is the foundation and cornerstone of our Christian religion.***

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread. As they were saying this, Jesus himself stood among them. But they were startled and frightened and supposed that they saw a spirit. And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do questionings rise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me, and see; for a spirit has not flesh and bones as you see that I have.”

*Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.*

### **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. Therefore it is crucial we meet our overall parish campaign goal of \$13.8 million. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part.” – Cardinal Thomas Collins*

This weekend is the first collection in our parish's annual ShareLife Parish Campaign. The ShareLife mission of “Living the Gospel by providing for those in need” is at the core of how we are called to live as Christians.

**Our St. Brigid's Parish goal is \$27,500.** On this ShareLife Weekend, please reflect on your ability to contribute to our campaign this year. So many people – here in our parish, in our broader community, and around the world – have been severely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Agencies funded by your gift to ShareLife are continuing their work to meet the needs our brothers and sisters. With your help, as we emerge from the pandemic, ShareLife will continue to be there, living the Gospel by providing for those in need.

Please deposit your envelope in the collection basket or you may consider dropping it off to the Parish office Monday to Friday. Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

### **ANNOUNCING THE... 2021 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN VIDEO**

*The 2021 ShareLife Campaign video highlights the story of Sue, a healthcare worker who learned how to manage her anxiety thanks to a Catholic Family Services agency. The video can be viewed on YouTube by clicking on this link:*  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCdMnxcwAFw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCdMnxcwAFw)

### **ANGELS AT THE ALTAR**

Many years ago, our altar was adorned with two beautiful angels. Unfortunately, they were removed due to damage and were never replaced. Recently, we were presented with an opportunity to purchase two angels at an exceptionally low cost to our Church. In the past, many of you have expressed an interest in bringing back the two angels to the altar and in helping us with the associated costs. If you would like to make a donation to assist us in purchasing these two angels, we invite you to contact the Parish office. Your donation will be eligible for a tax receipt.

### **PRAYER FOR EARTH DAY: APRIL 22**

*All praise be yours, My Lord through all that you have made. And first my lord Brother Sun, who brings the day. How beautiful is he, how radiant in all his splendor! Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness. All praise be yours, my Lord, through Sister Moon and Stars; In the heavens you have made them, bright and precious and fair. All praise be yours, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air. All praise be yours, my Lord, through Sister Water, So useful, lowly, precious, and pure. All praise be yours, my Lord, through Brother Fire, through whom you brighten up the night. All praise be yours, my Lord, through Sister Earth, our mother, who feeds us...and produces various fruits with coloured flowers and herbs. Praise and bless my Lord, and give him thanks, and serve him with great humility. - Attributed to St. Francis of Assisi*

### **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: MONDAY, APRIL 19 – SATURDAY, APRIL 24**

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. Currently, 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](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### **WSIB NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28**

Every year, on April 28th, we pay our respects to, and remember, the thousands of workers who have been killed, injured or have suffered illness as a result of work-related incidents. On this day we also honour the many families and friends who have been deeply affected by these tragedies. Every worker has the right to return home safe and sound at the end of each workday.

A short video was created in honour of this day:  
[www.wsibdayofmourning.ca/](https://www.wsibdayofmourning.ca/)

### **ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA FEAST DAY: APRIL 29**

Prayer can be difficult these days, especially with social media, twenty-four-hour news coverage, and being constantly “connected” makes it hard to be still and know God. That is why we can turn to the fourteenth-century Dominican mystic **Saint Catherine of Siena** who can help us when we come up against roadblocks to prayer.

***“Holy Spirit, come into my heart,  
and in your power draw it to you.”***

In a single sentence, Saint Catherine of Siena captures the essence of prayer. It is about a union with God, a heart-to-heart with Jesus, who desires to be united with you. Saint Catherine prayed for the Holy Spirit to come into her heart, and draw her close to Him, and we should do the same. The Holy Spirit helps us to pray as we ought to. God wants to come to our aid and help us to grow closer to Him. Do not be afraid to ask the Holy Spirit to help you in prayer.

### **ST. BRIGID'S OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM**

We are still accepting food and financial donations for the St. Brigid's Out of the Cold Program. **All donations can be dropped off at the Parish office.** Food donations can be left at the front porch of the Parish office. Financial donations can be left in the mailbox (front and back of the Parish office). If you are making a financial donation, please place your contribution in an envelope with your full name, and your donation envelope number. If you do not have an envelope number, please include your full mailing address so that we can provide a tax receipt.

### **CANADA HEALTH DAY: MAY 12**

Canada Health Day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the country. This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health: to prevent illness and to seek a healthy lifestyle. Good health concerns the physical, emotional, social, and spiritual health of our communities, respect for God's creatures, and the nurturing of the whole earth. — *excerpted from the 2020-2021 Ordo*

### **FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA: MAY 13**

We invite you to join us for a special Mass in honour of Our Lady of Fatima on **Thursday, May 13th at 12:00 Noon**. For those who cannot attend, the Mass will be livestreamed through our Facebook page.

### **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

The regular collection for the week ending on April 11th was **\$3,236.30. Please remember St. Brigid's Parish in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.).**

### **III DOMENICA DI PASQUA / ANNO B**

Un'altra apparizione del Risorto ci porta a considerare anche in questa domenica l'assemblea eucaristica come luogo privilegiato della presenza attiva del Signore: Gesù che si fa presente in mezzo ai suoi, il dono della pace, la gioia dei discepoli, l'invio in missione, l'annuncio del perdono... sono realtà in atto ancora oggi in ogni nostra comunità, perché in essa prolungano il mistero e il frutto della Pasqua di Cristo.

### **OGGI È LA DOMENICA DI SHARELIFE**

“I membri vulnerabili della nostra comunità contano su di te e su di me per continuare ad avere accesso alle cure di cui hanno così disperatamente bisogno. Ecco perché è fondamentale raggiungere l'obiettivo della campagna parrocchiale di 13,8 milioni di dollari. Il nostro obiettivo può essere raggiunto, ma solo se ognuno di noi fa la sua parte.” — *Cardinale Thomas Collins*

**L'obiettivo della nostra parrocchia è \$27,500. Per favore, dona con generosità.**

### **PREGHIERA A SANTA CATERINA**

*O Caterina irresistibile Santa, alla tua parola, non resistevano i cuori dei peccatori, e neppure il Cielo alla tua fede ardente e alle tue insistenti preghiere. Come allora, anche oggi facci sentire il potere della tua intercessione, confermare la pace tra gli uomini, liberare gli oppressi dalle ingiustizie o avversità d'ogni genere, confortare e sanare i malati dell'anima e del corpo. Prega per la pace di tutto il mondo per l'unità e la fedeltà del popolo di Dio al supremo Pastore e per il bene della patria nostra. E ricordati di me, che ti invoco con fiducia sapendo che non abbandoni nelle difficoltà coloro che ti considerano come Madre e Maestra.*

### **COLLETTA SETTIMANALE**

La colletta regolare di 11 Aprile e' stata **\$3,236.30. Per favore, ricordate la nostra parrocchia nel vostro testamento. Avete mai pensato che la vostra parrocchia puo' essere “il terzo figlio della carità” nel vostro testamento?**

#### **MASS INTENTIONS / INTENZIONI DELLA MESSA**

#### **Saturday, April 17th ~ St. Kateri Tekakwitha**

9:00 a.m. +Deacon Stanley Maclellan, req. by the Parish

5:00 p.m. +Robert James, Santiago Quintana & Paul Strabec,  
req. by Maria Quintana James  
+Weldon Green, req. by Brian & Lisa Dwyer

#### **Sunday, April 18th**

8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**

9:45 a.m. *Benedizione Speciale per il Compleanno di Nicola Grande*

+Andrea, Grazia & Domenica Dellina, req. by Serafina Arruta

+Angelo Pagnello, req. by Maria Pagnello

+Michele & Antonio Mastrangelo, req. by the Family

11:00 a.m. *Special Blessing for Fr. Carlos, req. by Tina Morlando*

*Special Blessing for the Newly Initiated Members of the Church*

For all the Deceased Members of the Romano & Dwyer

Families, req. by Brian & Lisa Dwyer

+Giuseppe & Agnese Gattola, req. by Lina Morlando

#### **Monday, April 19th**

12:00 p.m. +Elizabeth Parnell, req. by Jean Quinn

#### **Tuesday, April 20th**

12:00 p.m. *Special Blessing for the Personal Intentions of Ignacio Uriarte*

#### **Wednesday, April 21st ~ St. Anselm**

12:00 p.m. +Rev. John P. Burns, req. by the Parish

#### **Thursday, April 22nd ~ Earth Day**

12:00 p.m. *Special 10th Year Birthday Blessing for Maria Marchello*

#### **Friday, April 23rd ~ St. George & St. Adalbert**

12:00 p.m. *Special Blessing for Healing for Agata Toso*

#### **Saturday, April 24th ~ St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen**

9:00 a.m. *Special Blessing for Healing for Pasquale Frasca*

5:00 p.m. For all the Deceased Members of our Parish Community

God our Father, we bring before you today those who suffer from illness or disability—those whose lives are profoundly affected by their illness. When they feel fragile and broken, remind them that you call them by name and hold them in the palm of your hand. **We pray for all those suffering from illnesses, for their families, their friends, and for those who care for them.**