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"This brother of yours was dead, and has come to life."



SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2025 This weekend is 1st ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. But ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. From children to seniors, and everyone in between, more than 40 ShareLife agencies are there each step of the way.

As a family of faith, we lift each other up from our lowest moments. Nick's life had an easy start – he came from a good home, where he was raised with a strong work ethic, and he welcomed a son. But living with a mental illness, he struggled more than some. Deep inside, he felt like something was missing, and he devastatingly fell into addiction. With your helping hand, he rose up through the DARE Program at Good Shepherd.

"By the grace of God, I am still alive," he proclaims. "I'd love to be able to give back what was so freely given to me. I am taking roles of service, giving back as much as I can. I was afraid I'd never be able to feel the way I feel. I am very grateful that I have been given this opportunity to be sober." Thanks to your support, he is no longer just surviving—he is thriving, with a heart full of hope and a future filled with promise.

ShareLife has set our parish goal for this year's campaign at **\$84,500**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate

Thank you for your support to Sharelife!

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS



The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism: **Eliora Essien**

Please keep this child and the parents in your prayers.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publication will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2025 and supports bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publication at 905-624-4422.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS



Friday, April 4th is the First Friday of the month. Masses will be celebrated at 8:00AM and 12:30PM.

The church will be open all morning for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and personal prayer. Our period of adoration ends with Benediction at 12:15PM in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Come and spend time in the presence of the Lord.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Have Mercy on us!

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently:

Arthur Calderon and Kevin Chouinard

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT



Join us as we walk with Jesus from death to new life. Make this traditional Lenten prayer part of your personal Lenten program.

Every Friday at Annunciation Parish at 7:00PM



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

March 29—April 5

In loving memory of **Eudine Wilson**

May you continue to rest in eternal peace.

From your son, Benedict Junior Torres, nieces Heather & Dixie Ann, your goddaughter Angela, and the extended family

In loving memory for all the souls of **The Misquitta Family**

Requested by the Misquitta Family



ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD DRIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

April 5th/6th



The Altar Server Ministry will be hosting a Food Drive on April 5th/6th. Please bring your non-perishable food items to the foyer before or after all Masses this weekend. On behalf of the Good Shepherd Ministries, thank you for your generous support!

Urgently needed items:

Note: Please no fresh or frozen food

Canned Fish	Tea	Canned Meat
Ground & Instant Coffee	Cookies and crackers	Canned Vegetables
Canned Soups / Stews	Pasta and Sauces	Rice
Peanut Butter	Jam	Sugar
Pancake Mix	Oatmeal	Canned Fruits

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE SELECTION

A reminder to the parents of children who are already registered for the First Holy Communion, the First Holy Communion date selection will be this weekend after every Sunday Obligation Mass in the foyer.

<u>Important note:</u>

it is first come first serve basis!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CARDS

April 5th/6th

A reminder to the parents whose children are receiving their First Holy Communion this year, the First Holy Communion cards are available **next weekend**, **April 5th and 6th** after the Mass in the foyer.

Please check the spelling of your child's name and the date of your child's First Holy Communion. If there is any mistake, please inform the staff or the office right away.

The card must be signed by a parent/guardian and returned to the parish's welcome desk at least 25 minutes prior to the beginning of Mass that the child is scheduled to receive his/her First Holy Communion.

DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Monday, March 31st



We will hold a Day of Confessions on Monday, March 31st in preparation of Easter. There will be a priest available to hear your confession at 8:30AM to 10AM, at 2PM to 4PM, and at 6PM to 8PM.



Holy Week and Easter Sunday Mass Schedule

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, April 12th Vigil Mass at 5:00PM Sunday, April 13th

Mass at 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM and 7:00PM

HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 17th

8:00PM Mass of the Lord 's Supper Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight No morning or afternoon Mass

GOOD FRIDAY Friday, April 18th

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 12:00PM and 3:00PM Stations of the Cross—7:00PM

HOLY SATURDAY

Saturday, April 19th

8:00PM Easter Vigil Mass No morning Mass and confession

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 20th

8:00AM, 10:00AM, and 12:00PM ONLY

EASTER MONDAY

Monday, April 21st

9:00AM Mass ONLY





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