

APRIL 1ST, 2018

EASTER SUNDAY

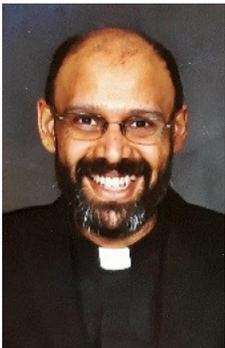
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EASTER MESSAGE FROM FR. MARK ROBSON

Happy Easter! As we come together to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus we give thanks for the many blessings God has bestowed upon us, the greatest of which is the possibility of eternal life. It is truly a pleasure to see everyone come together united in praise and worship of our loving God, a God who desires only the very best for us, who desires we be with Him in Heaven. There is no day to compare with Easter Sunday. It stands as the central mystery of our faith, lifting our minds, animating our hearts and giving joy, meaning and love to our lives. Today is the ultimate celebration of life. The resurrection of Jesus has altered the past and shaped the future of all ages. Nothing is the same again – all of creation has been redeemed. That is what makes Easter the holiest day of the Christian calendar. All hope, all joy, the entirety of our faith is given meaning from this single event. But why, why is Easter so very important? If someone were to ask you why Easter is so important how would you respond?

Easter is the celebration of the resurrection. We understand that the Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, the possibility of new life is now a reality. This new life above all else re-establishes our relationship with God allowing us to receive his grace. Through Jesus, we are now reunited with God. Once dead in sin, we are now alive, saved from the things that separate us from Our Father. Every barrier has been removed, and we can personally experience the love of God our heavenly Father. The resurrection of Jesus from the dead affirms that death is not the end. We are meant for more than this present life, we are not anchored to, or stuck in this world. Human life is no longer limited by the cycle of birth to death. Easter is the answer to all the tears that we shed at the graves of our loved ones because it reminds us that we have a future greater than we dare believe in, provided we open our hearts to the grace that Jesus won for us. Christ has shared the gift of his life with us and his resurrection from the dead points to the resurrection of all people. Easter calls us out of the darkness, Easter calls us to celebrate the fact that the light of Christ has come into the darkness of our world providing us with hope for a future greater than we dare believe. As unbelievable as this may seem, we know that God is in charge – with God nothing is impossible. This is His world and He has decided to give us eternal life. Along with the staff here at St. Boniface Parish, I would like to extend a Happy Easter to everyone. May your celebration be a holy one, filled with laughter, prayer, and blessings.
- Fr. Robson.



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

APRIL 1 TO APRIL 7, 2018

SUN. APR. 1ST	9:00 AM	- Thomas, Celia, & Kathleen Killeen †
	10:30 AM	- Rosemarie Deans †
	12:00 PM	- People of the Parish
TUE. APR. 3RD	8:30 AM	- All Souls in Purgatory
WED. APR. 4TH	7:30 PM	- Tesla Thomas in Thanksgiving
THU. APR. 5TH	8:30 AM	- Antonio & Unbelina Felix and deceased family members
FRI. APR. 6TH	7:30 PM	- Deodato Da Costa †
SAT. APR. 7TH	8:30 AM	- Juana Elias Escoto †



OUR SICK: Rasheeda DeFranca, Sr. Cecilia Marie Ching, Sr. Theresa Ching, Innes Potgieter, Annie Garcia, Mario Tan Jr., Nicanor Gocado, Daniela Alario, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Cristeta Del Mundo, Dina Sorbera, Daniel Leonardo, Monica Bouchard, Kerrie Leonard, Ramona Labo, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Carmen Humbel, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Peter Pacione, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Maureen Dempsey, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Joshua Bolingot, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Clera Uy Cruz, Mary Loretta Noftall, Marie Herrera, Salome Mason, Frank McPhearson, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Loren Lea Hodgeson, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Tony & Nelie Sicat, Teofilo Mondala, Duverney Family, Anthony de la Isla, Leonard Rodrigues, John Jarman, William Dale, Anne O'Callaghan, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Deacon Gerald Godsoe, Ellen Jarman, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Nida Carandang, Marie McPherson, Marina Jose, Rasheeda DeFranca, Vicki Scallon, Frances Schober, William Schober, Rita Ropke, Marie Dignum, Maria Anna Diandra Rivera, Natalina Fernandes, Umbelina Felix, Anita Gouveia, Erlinda Balita, Colleen Balgobin, Joan Crowley, Webster Paul, Ela Sicat-Angeles

DID YOU KNOW?

Through his Resurrection, did Jesus return to the physical, corporeal state that he had during his earthly life?

The risen Lord allowed his disciples to touch him; he ate with them and showed them the wounds of his Passion. Nevertheless, his body belonged no longer only to this earth, but rather to the heavenly kingdom of his Father.

The risen Christ, who bore the wounds of the Crucified, was no longer bound by space and time. He could enter through locked doors and appear to his disciples in various places in a form in which they did not recognize him immediately. Christ's Resurrection was, therefore, not a return to a normal earthly life, but rather his entrance into a new way of being: "For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him"(Rom 6:9).

"He who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live"

Jn 11:25

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena, saving for the last day the most difficult intention of all, the lukewarm and indifferent of whom He said:

"These souls cause Me more suffering than any others; it was from such souls that My soul felt the most revulsion in the Garden of Olives. It was on their account that I said: 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass Me by.' The last hope of salvation for them is to flee to My Mercy."

In her diary, St. Faustina wrote that Jesus told her: *"On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls."*

Divine Mercy Novena:

Good Friday	(March 30)	at 6:00pm
Holy Saturday	(March 31)	at 3:00pm
Easter Sunday	(April 1)	at 3:00pm
Easter Monday	(April 2)	at 6:00pm
Tuesday	(April 3)	at 9:30am
Wednesday	(April 4)	at 6:00pm
Thursday	(April 5)	at 9:30am
Friday	(April 6)	at 8:00pm
Saturday	(April 7)	at 9:00am
Sunday	(April 8)	Feast of Divine Mercy



Mass at 3pm

Please join us in Hall after Mass for Refreshments / Potluck

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT

~ We need your help! ~

We have some opportunities for parish involvement. These following ministries are seeking volunteers;

- Ushers & Greeters
- Choir Members
- Communion Ministers
- Lectors



If any of these interest you and/or you would like more information, please contact the Parish Office at 416-261-5983 or st.boniface@rogers.com

Welcome and Congratulations to all who were welcomed into the Catholic faith at the Easter Vigil.

Bereavement Peer Support meeting

Date: Saturday April 21, 2018

Time: 3-4 pm

Place: St. Stephen's Room

(Downstairs from side entrance on Markanna Drive)

New Members are welcomed.



PARISH OFFICE

Office will be closed April 2nd for Easter Monday

ST. BONIFACE SPEAKER SERIES

Family Lecture Series

"Here & There: Literacy is Everywhere"

Jonathon Butler from TCDSB Literacy Resource

Literacy is about more than reading and writing --it is about how we communicate in society. It is about social practices and relationships, about knowledge, language and culture. Literacy finds its place in our lives alongside other ways of communicating. Indeed, Literacy itself takes many forms: on paper, on the computer screen, on TV, on posters and signs. Those who use literacy take it for granted - but those who cannot use it are excluded from much communication in today's world. Indeed, it is the excluded who can best appreciate the notion of "literacy as freedom."

****NEW DATE AND TIME****

**THURSDAY APRIL 12 AT 7:00PM
In the Church**

PARISH SCHOOLS FAMILY MASS

On Tuesday April 17, 2018 at 6:00pm we will celebrate Mass with our 3 schools at our church. This Mass will be hosted by St. Agatha School.

All are welcome!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The next Bundle Up Weekend - April 7/8

The truck will be in the parking lot on the weekend of March 7/8. We are pleased to accept clothing, linens, draperies and housewares. Please note, electronics, toys, books, furniture should not be donated.

CAMP BONIFACE 2018

We will be moving ahead with Camp Boniface again this summer. Camp Boniface is a Summer Day Camp for those between 6 and 13 years old.

Each week, Camp Boniface incorporates the Catholic faith in a way that is completely relatable to campers! We help campers learn about the faith without even realizing they are learning!

Week #1: Monday July 2 to Friday July 6, 2018

Week #2: Monday July 9 to Friday July 13, 2018

Week #3: Monday July 16 to Friday July 20, 2018

Each week is \$75

or you can come to all 3 weeks;

\$190 = FULL CAMP EXPERIENCE!

Includes Registration to all 3 weeks of camp!

Please contact Parish Office for registration form.

**** Limited Spots Available ****

Registration Forms Due June 30th

NEXT EDGE NIGHT

When: Tuesday April 3rd, 6:30pm - 8pm

Where: St. Boniface Church Hall

EDGE is a Ministry for those in grades 6,7 & 8.

Parents, please follow us on FaceBook for information and latest updates.

Search "St. Boniface Parish EDGers and Parents" and request to join.



EDGE
Catholic Middle School Ministry