

# St. John's Parish Bulletin

Weekend of April 24, 2022

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**Office Hours:**

Tuesday to Thursday 9 am to 4 pm

**Sunday Mass**

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11 am

**Weekday Mass**

Tuesdays to Fridays - 8:15 am to 8:45 am

**Reconciliation:**

Saturdays – 3:45 pm – 4:00 pm

**Catholic Cemeteries** - 416.733.8544

**Marriage:** Please contact the office 1 Yr in advance

**Baptisms:** Please email the office



**PRAY THE ROSARY**

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**Second Sunday of Easter  
(Divine Mercy Sunday)**



Jesus showed his Apostles great mercy, even after they abandoned him in his greatest hour of need, running and hiding in fear, only the Blessed Mother and St. John (along with some of the women) remained and stood at the foot of the cross. However, Jesus' greeting as he stands among the Apostles is not a chastisement but instead, "Peace be with you". Jesus demonstrates the limitless power of his mercy as he breathes the Spirit upon them, forgiving their sins; in yet another way, fulfilling the words spoken as Jesus washed their feet, "For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you". St. Thomas, sometimes called "Doubting Thomas," is the only Apostle missing during this incredible encounter with the Risen Christ. He struggles to believe, he requires signs and wants physical evidence to open his eyes to the Truth. Is that not still true today, a world so suspect of everyone and everything struggling to believe? However, unlike Thomas, who proclaimed "My Lord and My God," when Christ reveals himself, so many people find reasons to keep them from embracing the Savior they so desperately need. On this Sunday of Divine Mercy, may we be the merciful face of Jesus to those who look for him, but can only see wounds. Let us not scorn the doubtful, but be the merciful voice that says to our skeptical world, "Peace be with you!" - adapted from LPI.



**We Congratulate our  
St. John's Parish**

**First Holy Communion Students in GR2**

Logan Abani, Indira Banerjee, Julian Boeto,  
Catharine Brady, Molly Breech, Olivier  
Brown, Daniel Buckley, Scarlett Buset,  
Farrah Chai, Gloria Cheah, Brandon Chin,  
Josphine Christie, Nolan DeCairos, Nora  
Evans, Vivian Evanson, Aiden Fong, Ronin  
Hew Wing, Arabella King, Hannah Lacombe,  
Georgia MacDonald, Robyn MacDonald,  
Sophia Manganaro, Violet Milway, Alondra  
Morlock, Mason Pamayah, Abigail Potzinger,  
Olivia Potzinger, Annika Rumszewicz, Naomi  
Samler, Layla Stewart-Lucifora, Valentina  
Szadkowski, Tasa Tipton, Ruby Walo,  
Elizabeth Wise, Nora Wood

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

For + **MARY LYNN HIGGINS**  
Requested by Her Family

**Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**

For + **THE FASLINO FAMILY**  
Requested by Georgina Revells

**Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

For + **JOHN & BERNICE ADDISON**  
Requested by Edna Higgins & Family

**Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**

For + **MICHAEL MOLLOY**  
Requested by Anna Molloy & Family

**Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**

For + **GWEN LAZAZZERA**

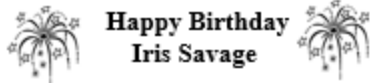


**The Sanctuary Light  
burns in loving memory of  
*Edmond Valin Sr.***

**Please Pray For The Sick**

*Dianne Williams*, *Diane Meldrum*,  
*Claude & Naomi Bailey*, *Francois de  
Siebental*, *Mary Alice Sisk*, *Joseph  
Abate & Carmel Richard*

**THANK YOU!!** to Iris Savage and her volunteer First Communion teachers, Carolyn Chesley-Jewell and James Jewell. Despite the challenges of virtual learning, you continue to do an amazing job preparing our students!



Happy Birthday  
Iris Savage

**CWL SPECIAL MASS:** A remembrance Mass for deceased members of the CWL will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 26 at 7:00 pm. Family and friends of deceased members are most welcome to attend.



Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul poor box as you exit the church.

Your donations help St. Vincent de Paul Society respond to needy families and individuals within our parish boundaries who are struggling.

**SAINT MONICA INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATION AND**

**EVANGELIZATION:** The Guiding Light Academy (K-8) is looking for faithful Catholic teachers to teach French, kindergarten and other classes. Daycare teachers are also needed. Experience is not required, and formation will be provided. To learn more, visit:  
<https://guidinglightacademy.com>.

**UPDATE ON WEARING MASKS**

**AT ST. JOHN'S PARISH:** We will continue the use of masks while inside the church at all times. Please remember to sanitize your hands as you enter the church. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we continue to care for our fellow parishioners.

**From the Pastor's Desk** Archdiocese of Toronto's Volunteer Recognition Week: "Hands and Heart of Service": This is a time of thanks and appreciation for our dedicated volunteers who selflessly serve our parish community with their hands and heart, following the example of Jesus and in response to His call to service for each of us. We recognize that our parish volunteers are at the heart of the Archdiocesan call to stewardship and are instrumental in all that we do. We thank and recognize the difference you make in your faithful and wholehearted service to our parish ministries. Even though not all ministries have been active during the pandemic, you are all included in this special thank you to all involved in or as Altar Servers, Baptismal Preparation, Beavers/Scouts, Catholic Women's League, Children's Liturgy, Choirs, Counters, Decorators, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Finance, Gardening, Hospitality, Knights of Columbus, Lectors, Sacramental Preparation, Sacristans, Safety Protocol, School Liaison, St. Vincent de Paul, and especially the coordinators of all the above. In your ministries, you are living the words of our Lord himself: "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet." John 13:14.



**OFFERING**

God our Father, you generously grant us all the gifts we have. Help us to understand that it is in the giving that we receive.

	2019	2022
<i>Offertory</i>	\$ 5748	\$ 2882
<i>Offertory PAG</i>	\$ 1110	\$ 1183
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	\$ 7071	\$ 5585
<i>Good Friday</i>	\$ 3220	\$ 2335

**Little Levity:** A man with no arms applies to be the local church bell squire. The pastor looks him over and says - Well, we didn't get a lot of interest in the posting, so the job is yours, but I'm not sure how you plan on pulling the rope to the bell? The man climbs up to the church steeple and runs at the bell as fast as he can. BOOOONG! He hits it with his face and it sounds perfectly clear! The pastor isn't excited about the idea, but hires him anyway as he really needs the help. For weeks the squire sounds the bell clearly and on time for service in the morning with his face. One day however, he gets too careless, and runs at the bell and misses! Falls ten stories from the steeple to his death. The congregation gathers around him, and begin asking questions - Who is this man? - Where did he come from? Someone pipes up - I dunno, but his face sure rings a bell...? *Peace begins with a smile* .....*St. Teresa*

***Kids Korner***



***Divine Mercy***

In today's Gospel we hear about the first time that Jesus came to the Apostles after He rose from the dead. He breathed on them and told them that they had the power to forgive sins. Jesus had just given us the Sacrament of Confession- now a priest could take God's place to hear our sins and tell us that we are forgiven.

Today, the second Sunday of Easter, is also the feast of Divine Mercy. Mercy means being treated well even though we don't deserve it. God is so merciful that He wants to forgive ALL our sins, no matter how bad. All we have to do is be sorry and go to Confession.

God's Divine Mercy is so great that even the worst sinner in the world can be saved from Hell if he asks for it. But even our little sins hurt Jesus, so we need to ask God for mercy too. Don't ever imagine that God can't forgive you when you are sorry- remember, Jesus died on the cross so that you would be able to go to Heaven!

***Jesus, I Trust in You!***

Answers to True or False: 1 true 2 false 3 false 4 true 5 true 6 false 7 true

***True or False:  
When Jesus Came to the Apostles***

1. When Jesus first came to the Apostles after His resurrection, He said "Peace be with you" twice. True or False?
2. When Jesus rose from the dead, you couldn't see the marks from the nails in His hands and feet any more. True or False?
3. The Apostles panicked and ran away when they saw Jesus because they thought he was a ghost. True or False?
4. Jesus breathed on the Apostles and told them that they now had the power to forgive people's sins. True or False?
5. The Apostle Thomas was not with the others when Jesus first came to them after He rose from the dead. True or False?
6. Thomas believed that they had seen Jesus, so he wasn't surprised when Jesus came again a week later. True or False?
7. Jesus told Thomas to put his fingers in the nail-holes in His hands and put his hand in Jesus' side where the spear had gone in. True or False?

