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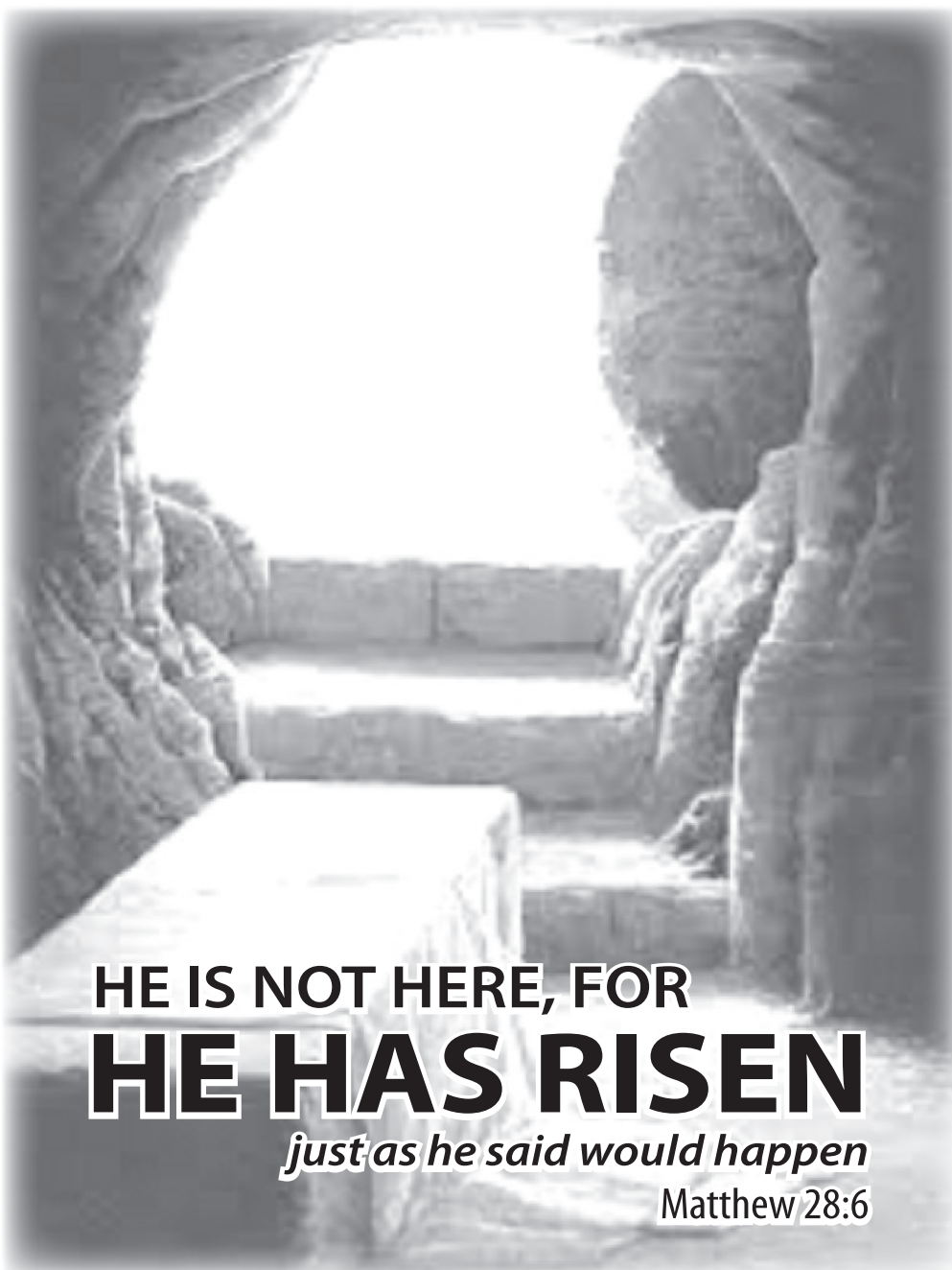
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## PARISH TEAM

Fr Paul Dobson Parish Priest      Fr Anish Alex Associate Pastor

Rev. Mr George Jurenas Deacon



HE IS NOT HERE, FOR  
**HE HAS RISEN**

*just as he said would happen*

Matthew 28:6

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>SAT 30</b>		<b>Holy Saturday</b>
7:30	pm †	<i>Easter Vigil</i>
<b>SUN 31</b>		<b>The Resurrection of the Lord</b>
8:00	am	
9:30	am	
11:00	am	
12:30	am	
<b>MON 01</b>		<b>Easter Monday</b>
8:30	am †	Egilda Marello & Manuel Costa
<b>TUES 02</b>		
8:30	am †	Mariantonia DeVita
<b>WED 03</b>		
8:30	am †	Renato Aguilar
<b>THUR 04</b>		
8:30	am †	Maria Veronica Lobo
<b>FRI 05</b>		
8:30	am	<i>Multiple Intentions Mass</i>
7:30	pm †	Ron Bowie
<i>Followed by Holy Hour &amp; Benediction</i>		
<b>SAT 06</b>		
9:00	am	<i>Multiple Intentions Mass</i>

**OUR LORD'S GREAT WORK**

***“This is the Day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!”***  
(Psalm. 117:24).

Easter is the high point of the Church's year, towards which the first part of the year tends, and from which the remainder of the year flows. When we celebrated the coming of Christ into the world at Christmas and its associated feasts, Epiphany and the Presentation, they were the preparation for Our Lord's "great work", for which He had been sent to earth by His heavenly Father. ➔

After Easter, the Ascension completes Christ's glorification as man in heaven, and Pentecost celebrates the sharing of all the graces Christ won for us by His death and resurrection through the coming of the Holy Spirit, whom the Father and Son send to us to make us holy.

Easter is the culmination of all that Christ came to do. All His teaching, all His miracles, are incomplete without His Passion, Death and Resurrection. And those three, Passion, Death and Resurrection, are all one. Easter does not reverse the tragedy of Christ's sufferings, it completes them. Christ does not even lose His wounds in His risen state but shows them to the Apostles as trophies of His victory.

Last night at the Easter Vigil, the climax of the entire year, we began by celebrating the eruption of light into the darkness, just as Christ was raised to new life from the darkness of death and the grave. That light spread from the Easter Candle, representing Christ in glory, to each one of us present, who have been baptized into new life. Then having listened to God's wonderful works, from creation through Abraham and the Exodus, through the Prophets to Christ's resurrection, we celebrated the new life of the risen Christ in the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, bringing to new birth more children of God destined for salvation.

Now we celebrate fifty days of continuous Easter joy, in thanksgiving to God for this gift of salvation which Christ has won for us by His death and resurrection, and looking forward to the endless joy of heaven promised to all those who love God faithfully in this life. Also, last night at the Vigil, we greeted the joyful light of our Saviour's rising to new life by singing once more the "Alleluia", absent from our lips throughout Lent. Now our Lenten fast is over, for we have shared Christ's sufferings in them, and by His grace have been enabled to grow in love of God and neighbour, and so may enjoy the triumph of life over death.

As Cardinal Newman so eloquently puts it: "They alone are able truly to enjoy this world, who begin with the world unseen. They alone enjoy it, who have first abstained from it. They alone can truly feast, who have first fasted; they alone are able to use the world, who have learned not to abuse it; they alone inherit it, who take it as a shadow of the world to come, and who for that world to come relinquish it." (Parochial and Plain Sermons).

~ FR. PAUL DOBSON

**Smile for the week:**  
What do angels say  
when they answer the phone?

**Answer**  
Hello

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### APRIL COFFEE HOUR – Wednesday April 10

Join us in the hall after the 8:30 am morning Mass.  
Everyone is welcome!

### SPIRITUAL WALK-IN MINISTRY with Deacon George

To answer questions and lend spiritual support.

Tuesdays 11 am – 3 pm

Thursdays 5 – 8 pm.

(25 minute slots) **(No cost)**

Book appointment with QR code or

<https://bit.ly/3YDCZpc> or drop-in.



### SHARELIFE 2024 – Palm Sunday

Today is Palm Sunday, a time in our Lenten journey when we are reminded of the importance of welcoming Jesus in our hearts. In the spirit of His teachings and example, let us extend our hands to those who need our help the most.

### INDIGENOUS FOOD DRIVE

A Food & Toiletry Drive to support Native Child and Family Services of Toronto will be held starting April 6th for one month. Please bring your donations and place them in the boxes at both entrances with the items listed on the box. Your support is appreciated.

## MINISTRIES

### TOTUS TUUS 2024 – Summer Camp

#### Save the Date!

Children grade 1 – grade 6, from July 22 – July 26.

Teens grade 7 – grade 12, from July 21 – July 25.

Email [ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com](mailto:ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com) to register.

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### BUNDLE UP WEEKEND – April 13-14

A Society of St. Vincent De Paul collection container will be available in the parking lot to accept your donations:

**Items accepted:** Clothing, footwear, bed linen, drapery, towels, textiles, and new toys.

**NOT accepted:** Appliances, Books, mattresses, dishes, baby or regular furniture, video tapes or cassettes, construction materials.

## AROUND THE ARCH

### SISTERS OF LIFE – SPONSOR A BOOK

Buy a book for a family and bring the life-changing Gospel to children and moms in need. Follow the instructions at: [PaulineStore.com/Sponsorship](http://PaulineStore.com/Sponsorship).

### PROJECT RACHEL AT THE REFUGE RETREAT Apr 19-21

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### UPCOMING MANRESA SILENT RETREAT WEEKENDS

Is Failure an Option? April 12 – 14, with Br Guy Consolmagno  
Do Monkeys Go to Heaven? April 26 – 28 with Fr John McCarthy

At: Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre  
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering, Ontario

Info & Register at:

[manresa-canada.ca/events/](http://manresa-canada.ca/events/)



### DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Meetings Wednesdays - 7 pm in the Parish Hall

### OUR FORTHCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES - 2024

#### DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Good Friday March 29 (5.45 pm) - Saturday, April 6 - 6.30 pm

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY Sunday, April 7 – 2.30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration & HOLY MASS Followed by Reception in Hall (*Finger Food will be appreciated*)

\*\*\* Everyone is welcome at all our meetings and events \*\*\*

### PICK OF THE WEEK

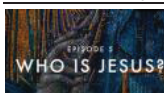


EPISODE 1  
WHY A GOD?

March 31, 2024

**WHY A GOD?** The Search | Episode 3

Has science disproven God? Is society really better off without him? We talk with astrophysicists, chemists, Harvard professors, and more to make the case that it's not only reasonable to believe in God, it's essential!



EPISODE 5  
WHO IS JESUS?

**WHO IS JESUS?** The Search | Episode 5

How did this seemingly insignificant carpenter born into poverty in a dusty corner of the Roman Empire become the most pivotal figure in all of history.



EPISODE 7  
WHY A CHURCH?

**WHY A CHURCH?** The Search | Episode 7

Jesus' first words to humanity in the Gospel of John are "what do you seek?". We can't be spiritual but not religious. The church is where we encounter His grace and wisdom that prepares and helps us for every step of our journey through life.



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