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SUN MAR 30TH	
8:00 AM 9:30 AM	PEOPLE OF ST ANTHONY ELIZABETH MARY LARNER – SPECIAL INTENTION
11:00 AM 12:30 PM	✠ LILIA TALAO ✠ IANTHÉ D’SOUZA
MON MAR 31ST	
9:00 AM	✠ MARLENE GOMES
TUE APRIL 1ST	
9:00 AM	THERESA & FAMILY - THANKSGIVING
ADORATION LAMPS	NO INTENTION
7:00 PM	✠ EMIL MARIANAYAGAM ✠ VICTORIA KHAN ✠ LOUIS STRUMIKOVSKI SEBASTINA YUANPREETAM & FAMILY - THANKSGIVING
WED APRIL 2ND	
9:00 AM	SABRINA & ALAN DE SOUZA – SPECIAL INTENTION
THU APRIL 3RD	
9:00 AM	EVERLINDA DE VERA - BIRTHDAY
FRI APRIL 4TH	
9:00 AM	ESPERANZA & IRENEO ANIANO
7:00 PM	✠ ANTHONY & JOSEPHINE LIAU ✠ VERONICA PIETRUN ✠ EFREN PAMINTUAN ✠ ANTONIO CATENACCI ✠ TITO DE GUZMAN MAMYSON ✠ ADELAIDA DE GUZMAN ✠ VICTORIA KHAN ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY
SAT APRIL 5TH	
9:00 AM	✠ TREVOR & EVELIN MCKINNON ✠ CIRA CASTELINO
5:00PM	✠ LYDIA & ALFRED JUNIO

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PASTOR’S MESSAGE



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter into Holy Week and prepare to celebrate Easter, let us take a moment to reflect on the great love of Jesus Christ. This is the most sacred time of the year—a time of deep reflection, renewal, and hope.

On Holy Thursday, we see His humility as He washes the feet of His disciples. Jesus, the Son of God, kneels before His disciples to teach us a powerful lesson: true greatness is found in serving others. He shows us that love is not about power, but about giving ourselves for the good of others.

How often do we let pride and ego take control of our lives? How often do we demand attention, recognition, or control? Jesus calls us to let go of our ego and follow His example. He invites us to serve—not just those who love us, but even those who may not appreciate us. This is the heart of Christian love.

On Good Friday, we stand at the foot of the Cross. Jesus, innocent and without sin, takes upon Himself the sins of the world. He does not complain, fight back, or seek revenge. Instead, He forgives. He stretches out His hands and dies for all of humanity—including you and me. His suffering is not just a historical event; it is a personal gift of love. When we look at the Cross, we see our own sins, our own weaknesses—but we also see the depth of God’s mercy.

Holy Saturday is a day of silence. The world waits in darkness, but hope is not lost. Sometimes, our lives feel like Holy Saturday—times of pain, doubt, or waiting. But Easter reminds us that suffering is not the end of the story. The empty tomb on Easter morning proclaims the victory of life over death, of light over darkness, of hope over despair. Jesus is risen! He has conquered sin and death forever!

Easter is a call to renewal. When we renew our baptismal promises, we are reminded of our commitment to Christ. Being Catholic is more than just attending Mass or following rules—it is a way of life. It means denying ourselves, carrying our cross, and choosing Christ above all else. It means living with love, mercy, and humility. It means allowing the Eucharist to shape our hearts—to be broken and given for others, just as Jesus gave Himself for us.

This Easter, let us ask ourselves:

Are we truly living as disciples of Christ?

Do we serve others with love, as Jesus did?

Are we willing to carry our cross and follow Him?

May this Holy Week lead us to a deeper love for Christ.

May Easter fill our hearts with joy, hope, and the strength to live as true followers of Jesus.

Blessings to you and your families,

Fr. Jibin Joy

Pastor, St. Anthony of Padua

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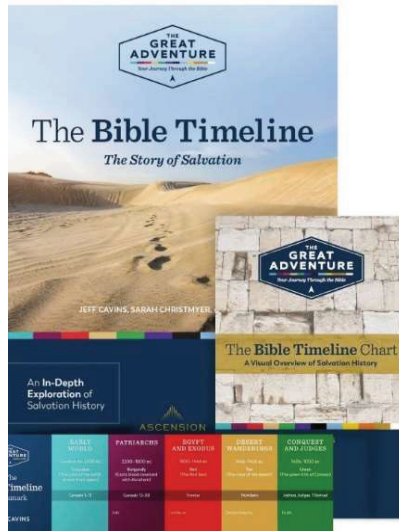
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ShareLife Sunday is on **April 6th** in our parish. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is **\$132,000**. Through your support of ShareLife, you extend the hands of Christ to those in need: the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized in our community. Because you care, more than 40 agencies provide strength to people of all ages in their weakest moments. You've been there for young parents as they worried about their next meal, isolated seniors yearning for companionship, teenagers seeking guidance in a confusing world, refugees longing to rebuild their lives, and people with special needs striving for dignity and acceptance. Thank you for living the Gospel through your compassion. Last Year in **2024** we have raised **\$131,803.40** toward our goal of **\$127,000.00**. Our parish goal this year is **\$132,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

VOCATION

The Lord is kind and merciful and calls us to proclaim His Name. Consider service in the priesthood or consecrated life. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

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GO TO THE HEART OF JESUS!

While in her monastery, the mystic saint, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had visions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in which she saw His Divine Heart as on



of flames, more brilliant than the sun and transparent as crystal. It had its adorable wound and was encircled with a crown of thorns. Later, it was Christ's incarnate heart, present in the Eucharist that gave her strength when her vision was doubted and criticized. Her description inspired the artist, Pompeo Battoni in 1767 to paint his image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Lord revealed a simple devotion for St. Margaret Mary to hand on to the faithful. It consists in receiving Communion on nine consecutive first Fridays, spending an hour with the Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays, and honoring a Picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. These three practices help to provide a spiritual focus amid the distractions and pressures of our busy, digital age. They come with promises: to obtain necessary graces for our lives, peace in our homes, comfort in afflictions, to secure refuge in life and death, for abundant blessings, an infinite ocean of mercy for our sins, a fervent soul and the grace of final perseverance. During the week of **Sunday, March 30 to Saturday, April 5th** our parish will welcome a Holy Picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus bless by Pope Francis. Take some time during this week to visit the Blessed Sacrament during the day and to reflect with this special image of Jesus.

During this season of Lent, let us not focus- only on what we give up, but on what we give. Let us fast from selfishness and pride and feast on kindness and mercy. Let us fast from judging others and feast on forgiving them. Let us fast from complaining and feast on gratitude. When we do this, our fasting will be pleasing to God, and we will grow closer to Him.

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