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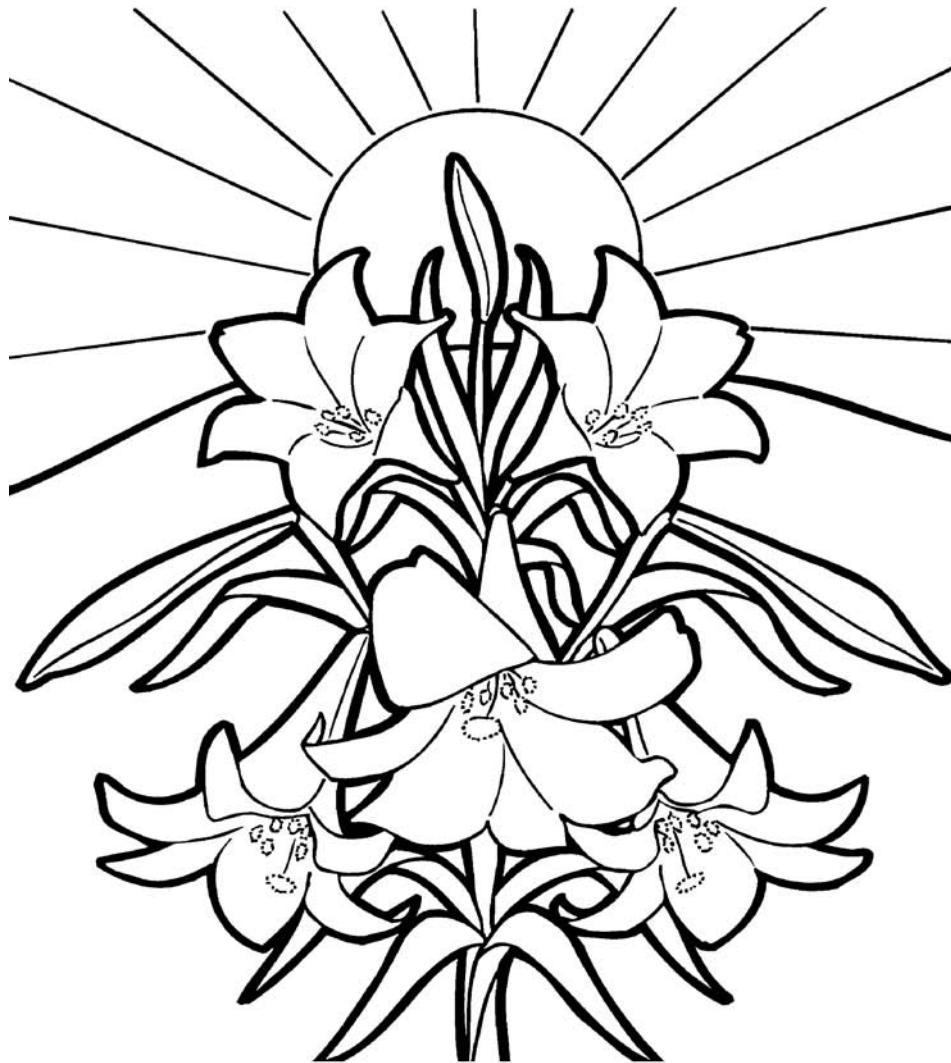
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**The Lord has Risen,  
Allelaia, Allelaia, Allelaia!**

## APRIL 1

## FINANCE UPDATE

Last Sunday's Collection:		Compared to:
From envelopes:	7,598.00	Same Sunday last year:  6,091.80
From non-envelopes:	1,495.46	
From P.A.G.: (162 donators)	2, 838.19	From P.A.G. 2,569.15
	<b>11,931.49</b>	<b>8,660.95</b>



## Mass Intentions

Monday, April 2

9:30 a.m. Mass (office closed)

Tuesday, April 3

12:00 noon + Romulo Abogado req. Austriaco Family

Wednesday, April 4

7:00 p.m. + Laura Deligio req. Bavaro Family

Thursday, April 5

8:30 a.m. + Diane Madden req. McLean Family

Friday, April 6

7:00 p.m. + Evangeline Romero req. Maggie Yip Hoi

Saturday, April 7

9:30 a.m. + Elsie Rose Lau req. Family

5:00 p.m. + Peter Luey req. Victoria Leung

Sunday, April 8

9:00 a.m. + Leung Pui Kwan req. Victoria Leung

10:45 a.m. Mass for all Parishioners

12:30 p.m. + Ho Kwan &amp; Natalie Ho req. Victoria Leung

**LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN**

We will resume again on the weekend of April 7/8.

**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED  
ESPECIALLY**

George Smalley, Nelly Singzon and Rina Paolini

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK**

Colman Hon

**LENTEN OFFERING FOLDERS**

Please take a *Lenten Offering Folder* home with you this weekend in support of Hill House Hospice, a palliative care home. THANK YOU!

**EASTER SUNDAY**

You've no doubt heard someone say to you "I've got to get something off my chest." Once he or she has finished, the person may have even said that he or she felt "a weight lifted from their shoulders." When the heart is opened and the truth is confessed, what an accurate description these sayings can be! The troubles, worries and sins we carry in our heart must be released, no matter how large the stone that blocks our way. Perhaps we believe that the stone of Jesus' tomb was moved to let him rise as he had said he would. Wouldn't it be a truer thought that the stone was moved for others to see into the tomb? The fulfilled promise of Jesus' Resurrection was more than another physical miracle performed, it was the triumph of life over death itself, a message entrusted to every disciple from then on to proclaim to the world.

On this Easter Sunday, we are reminded that those who first rushed to the tomb found it empty; no physical body of Jesus, no flesh, yet it was this day that fulfilled the promise of the Word made flesh. For from that time on, we come together to proclaim our belief in the world to come (CCC 1015). Remove the stone from your heart, and believe in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ.

**Blessed Easter to all!!****Fr. Michel and staff****CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN ~ Living the Gospel  
by living our faith in the greater world, ministering to those  
who need us.**

This weekend, we acknowledge in a special way, the wonderful and important work of Dr. Simone and his wife Joan, founders of Canadian Food for Children. They began their ministry in 1980 and became a registered charity in 1985, with the blessing of St. Theresa of Calcutta who encouraged them to send food to the poor in developing countries around the world. Today, they send food to 18-20 developing countries. Their faith in Jesus and his teachings inspire them to do this work. The milkbag sleeping mats we weave here at the parish provide the packing material in the containers in which the items are packed. This protects our planet even more from unnecessary plastic while having our mats delivered at no additional cost! **We thank** them for their loving ministry in the world! This weekend we welcome Sal Badali, Executive Director of Canadian Food for Children. We pray for the success of their ministry and ask for your support of this charity.

**April 22 is the next ShareLife Sunday.****Please give generously.****EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP**

Join us for line dancing and zumba at 7:00 to 7:45 pm;  
exercise and taichi at 7:45 to 8:45 pm.

APRIL 1, 2018

**YOUNG AT HEART**  
**FITNESS WEDNESDAYS AT 11 AM**

Seniors are invited every Wednesday at 11:00 am for fitness exercises led by **Susan Lao**, a professional certified by the Victoria Order of Nurses (VON)

**YOUTH GATHERINGS FOR 2018**

Join us **April 8<sup>th</sup>** for a **SPECIAL EASTER EGG HUNT!** Share in the Joy of the Easter season with your peers. Youth Gr. 8 and up are invited. Meet us after the 12:30 Mass in the Parish Hall.

**STEUBENVILLE TORONTO**

We still have spots available if you would like to attend the July 13/14/15 weekend in Oshawa. \$275, \$ 50 deposit . Please contact [Dorothy.olqw@rogers.com](mailto:Dorothy.olqw@rogers.com)

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION ~**  
**LETTER TO BISHOP**

Next weekend, **April 7 and 8<sup>th</sup>** at all the masses, the young people preparing to receive the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation will present their letter of Request to the Bishop, expressing their desire to follow Christ in love and justice. The Confirmation Candidates will also take a "Pray for Me" card that the children preparing for First Holy Communion signed. All these young people are a sign of Christ's renewal and hope in the Church. Please join in prayerful support for them at this time.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Spots are filling up quickly**

Many Youth from the parish are already preparing activities that will be fun for your children to participate in. There is also an opportunity for you as parents, or your caregiver who drop off your children, to participate in a daily 'breaking open of the word' for adults using the same scripture that your children will be learning about. Registration forms are in the main office of the Parish. \$ 80 per child.

Dates: Monday July 30 to August 3- 8:30 to Noon.

**BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP MINISTRY**

Our Bible Study and Prayer Ministry invites everyone to join us in our "Breaking Open the Word" sessions.

**We meet every Tuesday evening at 7:15 p.m. in the parish hall. In these sessions we immerse ourselves in God's Living Word by reflecting on the upcoming Sunday Mass Readings. We share our interpretations of sacred scripture and relate it to our everyday lives. We also worship God through prayer and song.** All are welcome to attend. Our Bible Study program "The Bible and the Virgin Mary" will resume in mid April.  
God Bless you all.

**YOUTH CHOIR**

Save the Date:

Youth Choir Concert

Saturday, May 26, 2018 at 7:30 p.m

**YOUNG CHILDREN AT MASS**

We understand that infants and toddlers can become restless during Mass. If you need a few moments to settle your children, please feel free to bring them to the narthex. You can see and hear the Mass on our TV Monitor there. Please rejoin the liturgical celebration in the church with your children when you feel they are ready family.



**RCIA**

As we entered into new life with Christ at the Easter Vigil, our elect were baptized, confirmed and joined us at the Table of the Lord. Welcome neophytes, **Clifford Lam, Charles Lau, and Carrie Xie!** We celebrate with great joy your new life among us as people of Christ. We also congratulate **Angella Graham** and **Cheri Lynne Johnston-Polesello** who were received into full communion with our faith community. Many thanks to the dedicated RCIA team of catechists and sponsors who journeyed with them for many months and who continue to live their faith in a real and inspiring way. We celebrate now for 50 days (the period of **Mystagogy!**)

**CALLING ALL VISUAL ARTISTS**  
**(and Budding Artists)!**

Display your art in OLQW's Arts Show May 26 & 27, 2018 in the Parish Hall. Email [cathie.olqw@rogers.com](mailto:cathie.olqw@rogers.com) for a registration form. Share this invitation with your fellow visual artists or any budding artists you know! The Youth Choir will also perform Saturday evening.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES &**  
**FUNERAL SERVICES**

The 2018 Ching Ming Remembrance Mass will be held in the Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Thornhill on Saturday April 7, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. The Mass is organized by Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto which is held in Cantonese and Mandarin with support of the Chinese Pastoral Council of the Archdiocese of Toronto. For further details, please see the poster at the foyer.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR DIFFERENT MINISTRIES:**

Youth Group leaders, Catechists for Sacramental preparation, Liturgy of the Word with Children and much more listed on the front of the bulletin. Please consider joining a ministry. We are a vibrant and engaging community that can always use new volunteers. Please contact [Dorothy.olqw@rogers.com](mailto:Dorothy.olqw@rogers.com).



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