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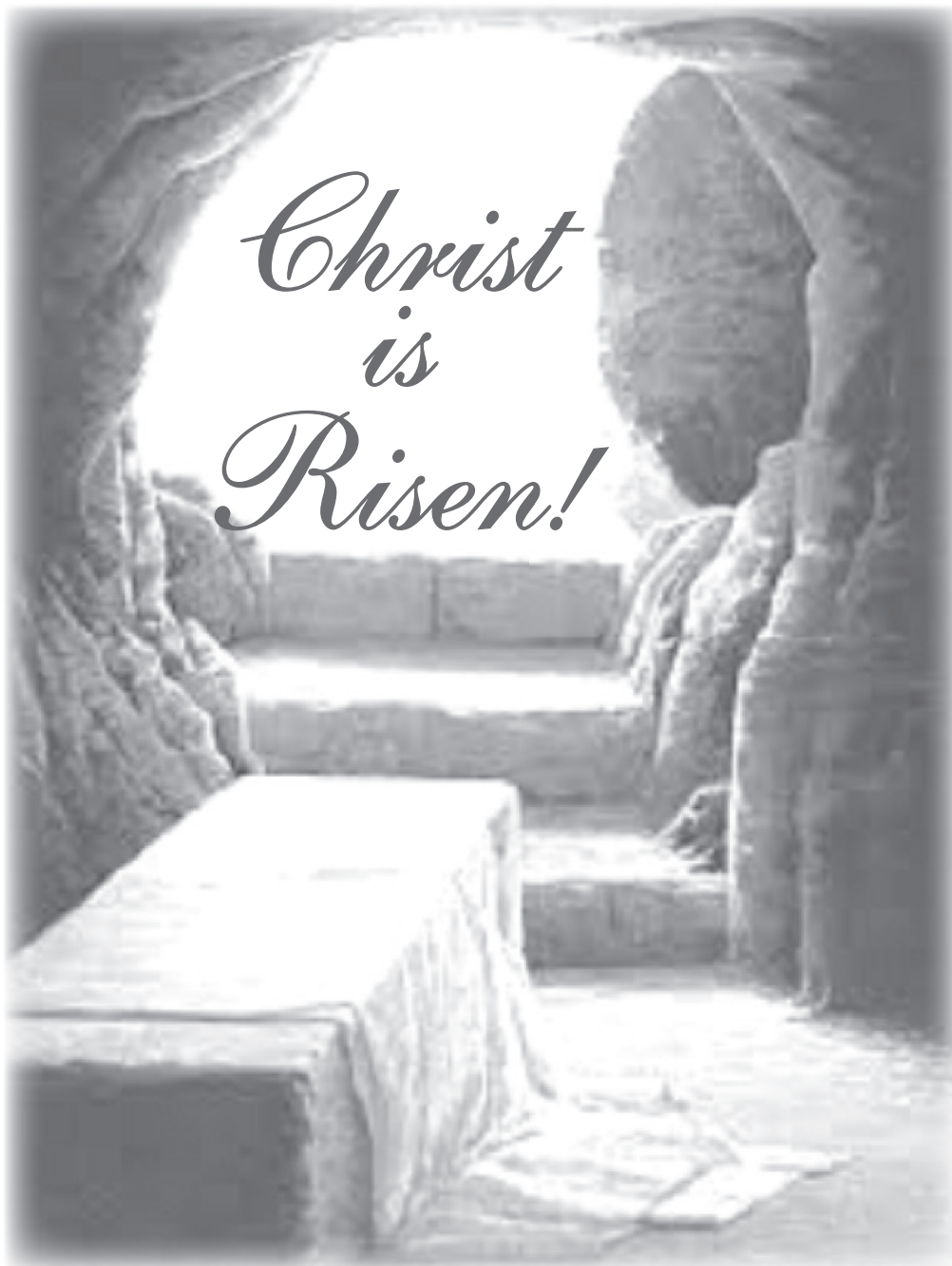
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EASTER SUNDAY



Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Everyone who believes will receive forgiveness of sins through Christ's name.

Colossians 3:1-4 Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

Luke 24:1-12 Jesus rose from the dead.

Alleluia! Alleluia! God's love never fails! We rejoice today in the light and love of the Resurrection. From this day until Pentecost, our first readings will be drawn from the Acts of the Apostles, the book which offers insight into the formation of the early church and the thoughts and actions of the disciples after the Resurrection. Let us rejoice and be glad that we are a part of that unfolding mystery.

*Fathers Michael, Anthony, Deacon Gerry
and the Parish Staff would like to wish all
of you a Very Happy Easter
May our Risen Lord bless you and your
loved ones.*



Living the Gospel through Immediate mental health services

Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' need without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically significant increase in confidence that they can tackle their problems. For some agencies, ShareLife is the sole funder of this important program. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

**May 5th is the 2nd ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.**

Supporting ShareLife through pre-authorized giving

Monthly pre-authorized giving (PAG) is an easy way to spread your ShareLife contribution over the course of a year. The ShareLife package you received by mail includes a response form with a PAG option. Simply submit a void cheque with the completed form to your parish office, or drop it in the offertory basket at any time. Contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving to ShareLife.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Faith Journeys: Lenten Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - March 4th to 14th, 2020

For eleven days, you can immerse yourself in the places where Jesus lived – and trace His footsteps from the place where His coming was announced in Nazareth, the location of His birth in Bethlehem, the sites of His teaching, preaching and healing in Galilee to His place of death and Resurrection in Jerusalem. Kitty McGilly, will co-ordinate the Pilgrimage with Father Michael Machacek as the spiritual leader for the fifth time leading a group from our parish. *Interested?* You will find details in brochures at the church entrances, or at the Parish Office. Contact persons are: Joanna Andrews 416 621 2732, email: 2020Holyland@gmail.com or Kitty McGilly, 416 201 7375: email kmcgilly@rogers.com.

Visit Fr. Peter this October!

Join Fr. Michael in a trip to Lagos, Nigeria as we visit Fr. Peter Osuntope whose gift of music and ministry enlivened our parish for 2 and a half years. Fr. Peter has promised us a wonderful experience of faith as we visit his vibrant parish community and the fascinating city of Lagos.

The departure date for the trip will be Wednesday October 9th and return will be October 16th. While accommodation and food will be free of charge, the airfare cost will be roughly \$1150 – \$1200. Canadian dollars. For more information please contact Fr. Michael at the parish office. Please note the deadline to register will be Friday May 31st and the maximum size of the group will be 10 people.

**Feast of Corpus Christi
On Sunday June 23rd June**



Nativity of Our Lord will be celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi.

This year our event will be on Sunday, starting with the 11:30 am mass. Following will be a solemn procession through our neighbouring streets and ending with some family fun.

We are looking for donations for the Silent Auction including gift cards. We do however ask that the minimum value of each item be \$25.00. We are also accepting monetary donations towards this event, which supports Our Lady Of Fatima School in Bethlehem, Palestine.

Please mark your calendars.

More details to follow!



Mother Cabrini's 50th Anniversary will be held on Saturday May 4th, 2019.

- *Open House: will take place in the school gym and run from 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm.*
- *Speeches & presentations: 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm*
- *Community Mass starts at 5:00 pm here at Nativity of Our Lord Church.*

Steubenville Youth Conference

This year, we will be taking a road trip to attend Steubenville's Youth Conference at the main campus where it all began at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio! Thousands of young people will gather to celebrate and grow in their faith!

Who: Youth who are currently in gr. 8 - 12

When: July 12 – 14, 2019

Where: Franciscan University, Steubenville OH. Forms can be picked up/dropped off at the Parish Office. Contact Courtney for more information.

**Volunteers Needed Nativity
Summer Day Camp**

We are looking for energetic and fun loving Catholic leaders currently enrolled in high school or in a post-secondary program to volunteer for our Summer Day Camp at Nativity in July.

To pick up a volunteer application form or for more details, please visit the Parish Office.

**Nativity of Our Lord
YOUTH MINISTRY**



Next EDGE: May 3rd

Grades 6 – 8

1st, 3rd, & 5th Fridays of the month
7 – 9 pm in the Church Hall



Next LifeTeen : April 26th

Grades 9 – 12.

2nd & 4th Fridays of the month
7 – 9:30 pm Upstairs Rm 1

If you would like to get involved or have any questions about our Youth Ministry programs, contact Courtney: youthminister@nativityym.com
416-621-2732 Ext 22

YOUTH MASS

Every Sunday 11:30 am

Summer Day Camp @ Nativity

“Not Just a Summer Camp” - We're incorporating our Catholic faith with fun sports, games, crafts, music, baking & more!

Who: Students currently in grade 1-5

When: 1st Session: July 15-19,
2nd session: July 22-26

Time: 9am-3:30pm (Extended care available
8-9am, 3:30-5pm)

Cost: \$130 (Includes t-shirt, snacks & all activities)

To Register, go to www.nativityym.com/summer-camp Registration will open January 21st. Spots are limited.

Contact Courtney: youthminister@nativityym.com

Edge Adventure Camp

A 5 day overnight Catholic Adventure Camp. A fun and exciting Christ – centered camp experience!

Who: Students currently in grades 6 – 8

Where: Camp White Pine – Haliburton, ON

When: August 21 – 25, 2019

Cost: Early Bird \$425. all-inclusive before April 16th. Then it will be \$475. until registration closes on May 15th.

Spots are limited, First come, first register.

Forms can be picked up /dropped off at the Parish Office. Contact Courtney for more information.

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