

EASTER SUNDAY

HOLY ROSARY PARISH
TORONTO, ONTARIO
Easter Sunday



*A Happy &
Blessed Easter
from the
Clergy and Staff of
Holy Rosary Church*

It is clear that the resurrection of Jesus is not just some miracle from the past, the occurrence of which could be ultimately a matter of indifference to us. It is a qualitative leap in the history of "evolution" and of life in general towards a new future life, towards a new world which, starting from Christ, already continuously permeates this world of ours, transforms it and draws it to itself. But how does this happen? How can this event effectively reach me and draw my life upwards towards itself? The answer is perhaps surprising at first but totally real: *this event comes to me through faith and Baptism. For this reason Baptism is part of the Easter Vigil. Baptism means precisely that we are not dealing with an event in the past, but that a qualitative leap in world history comes to me, seizing hold of me in order to draw me on.*

Pope Benedict XVI, Homily, Easter Vigil, 2006

Baptism Preparation



The next Baptism Preparation class will take place on **Saturday, May 30, 2009 (1 to 3 p.m.)**. Parents requesting baptism for their child must have been parishioners of Holy Rosary for at least three months and practising Catholics. To register, please contact Lindsay Moore at 416-923-8471.

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF ST. PAUL AT HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

Holy Rosary Parish will be hosting the Icon of St. Paul in honour of the Year of St. Paul from **May 4 to 7**. On Monday, **May 4** at **7 p.m.**, the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary with St. Paul will be prayed. On Tuesday, **May 5**, from 7 – 8 p.m., there will be a Holy Hour, with a talk on St. Paul by Fr. Daniel Callam, followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall. On Wednesday, **May 6**, 7 – 8 p.m., there will be a Votive Mass of St. Paul, followed by the Rosary and Benediction. For more information, call the Holy Rosary Parish at 416-923-8471.

**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
ON EASTER MONDAY.**

Please pray for all who are ill, especially for Len Pagniello, Sue Hussey, Mary Moreno, Eva Bilmer, Lynn Duhaime, Don Daynard, Therese Marion, Raul Corre, Goaquin Lumagbas, Margaret-Mary McKenzie and Rose Page.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER?

Boys and girls who will be in grade 4 or higher in September who are interested in becoming **Altar Servers** are invited to attend a training session on **Thursday, May 7** from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the church. Contact Lindsay to register (416-923-8471).

VOCATIONS ESSAY CONTEST DEADLINE MAY 15, 2009

The Office of Catholic Youth and the Serra Club of Toronto Downtown are calling all youth aged 14-18 to participate in the Serra Vocations Essay Contest. Write a 500 word essay answering the following question: **"Would you consider becoming a priest or a nun in today's world?"** *Cash prizes!* Email your essay along with your name, address, telephone number, grade and school to helene@ocytoronto.org. If you have any questions, please contact Helene Carluen, Media Assistant, Office of Catholic Youth, at or 416-599-7676 ext. 221.

HOMEWORK CLUB

There will be no Homework Club meeting on Monday, April 13 because of the Easter Monday holiday. We will resume our meetings on Monday, April 20. Happy Easter everyone!

HR YOUTH!

HR Youth! will meet again **NEXT SUNDAY, April 19** from 2-4pm in the Parish Hall. We're having an Easter party! All youths 11+ are welcome. **Don't forget** to bring your donations from your Lenten cans for ShareLife! See Lindsay for more information.

ANNUAL INTERFAITH DINNER THURSDAY, APRIL 23 AT 5:45 P.M. ADATH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE

You are urgently invited to attend this year's dinner, precisely planned for today's turbulent times. Our special guest, The Most Reverend Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will speak on *"Serving God in a Secular Society."* Fr. Thomas Rosica, C.S.B., from *Salt + Light Television* will also be our guest. Please contact the office at 416-923-8471.

SHARELIFE**You CAN WORK WONDERS!**

"We don't own anything. It's really a gift from the Lord; our time, our talent. It's not ours to cling to; it's ours to share. The more we cling to things, the more we sink. The more we share generously, the more we live. Life's too short to just exist. We need to live, live to the fullest, and we do that when we're not so focused inwards but we're reaching outward. That's the way our Lord Jesus calls us to live."

Most Rev. Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

IDEAS on Website

This week's topic:

"An Easter Sermon"
at www.holyrosary.ca

MUSIC TO LIFT YOUR SPIRITS

Holy Rosary Church is hosting a benefit concert to raise your spirits and to raise funds for the AIDS patients in our twin parish of EMBULBUL, Kenya. Carefully chosen, uplifting music will be performed by Neema Bickersteth, an accomplished soprano, who will sing songs by J.S. Bach and C. Gounod, arias by G. Charpentier and J. Strauss as well as Spirituals. She will be accompanied by George Fung on the piano. George's organ recital will include works by J.S. Bach, S. Barber, J. Brahms and L. Vierne. The event will be held right here in our beautiful church on May 9, at 7 p.m. Come and enjoy the wonderful music of these two artists. Bring your friends and family. Join a community reaching out to help another community. Tickets, at \$20 each, will be sold after all the masses of April 18/19 and May 2/3.

Briefly

April 17-19 – Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: Information or Registration: Cora & Mike Bryce at 905-896-2958 or cora-mikebryce@sympatico.ca.

April 24-25 Helping Troubled Marriages: Retrouvaille Toronto will be hosting this weekend session. For confidential information or to register for this weekend, call 416-281-6007 or visit the website at www.torontoretrovaille.com

April 25 (7:30 p.m.) & April 26 (3 p.m.) – Pax Christi Chorale – Toronto's Mennonite Choir: Grace Church on-the-Hill, 300 Lonsdale Rd. Reserved seating. Tickets & info: 416-491-8542.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League has been re-installed at Holy Rosary Church. We will meet on **April 20th** at **7 p.m.** at the **Parish Office** to select the executive to represent us in the upcoming diocesan convention next month. Anyone interested in joining the CWL can contact Mimi Allemant at 416-322-7748 or Amy Domingo at 416-654-6415. New members are welcome.

**FROM NAZARETH TO BETHLEHEM:
FOLLOWING THE HOLY FAMILY**

Join Fr. Terry Kersch, CSB, for an **ADVENT PILGRIMAGE** to the Holy Land from **2 Dec.—16 Dec. 2009. Come to an Information Session on Tuesday, 21 April, 2009 (7:30 p.m.)** at Holy Rosary Parish Hall (Room 1).

Tagalog Mass: celebrated at Holy Rosary Church at 7 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of each month. Next Mass: **April 26.**

Bible Classes are held on **Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.** Please call the office at 416-923-8471 for the new location.

Holy Rosary Charismatic Prayer Group: meets every Thursday evening at **7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall, Room 2 (in its 39th year). All are welcome.

Development & Peace meetings: held on the **3rd Mon.** of each month in the Parish Hall, Room 4 at **7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, April 11th, 2009**

9:00 p.m. Easter Vigil/Resurrection of the Lord
No Intentions

Sunday, April 12th, 2009

No Mass Intentions for 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Masses

Monday, April 13th, 2009

12:10 p.m. Ignatius de Souza (+)
Requested by Ivan de Souza

Tuesday, April 14th, 2009

12:10 p.m. Kim Choon & Liana In Thanksgiving
Requested by Liana Tedjokusumo

Wednesday, April 15th, 2009

12:10 p.m. Constance Bent (+)
Requested by Ann & Richard Marshall

Thursday, April 16th, 2009

7:30 p.m. Patrick Mahon (+)
Requestion by McGeachy Family

Friday, April 17th, 2009

12:10 p.m. David Cox (+)
Requested by Elaine Morgan

Saturday, April 18th, 2009

12:10 p.m. Dr. & Mrs. Charles Knowlton (+)
Requested by The Family

Sunday, April 19th, 2009

8:00 a.m. Holy Rosary Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Dr. & Mrs. Charles Knowlton (+)
Requested by The Family

11:00 a.m. Virginia De Leon
Requested by The Family

12:30 p.m. Michael Erdman (+)
Requested by Mother