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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



<u>May 5th –11th, 2025</u>

Monday, May 5th

No Mass

Tuesday, May 6th

7:00pm—

Wednesday, May 7th (Multiple Intentions)

7:00pm—

<u>Thursday, May 8th</u> 7:00pm— +Elisabetta Degiorgio **Friday, May 9th**

7:00pm—

<u>Saturday, May 10th</u> 5:00pm— Ciara Tabangcura Sunday, May 11th

10:00am— +Elisabetta Degiorgio 12:00Noon— No intentions 5:00pm (Tagalog Mass) -7:00pm—



Let us pray!

We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the forgotten members in our community and those who love and minister to them.





REFLECTION ON THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



The Gospel today paints a beautiful and familiar scene: the disciples, after a night of fruitless labor, encounter the risen Jesus on the shore. They do not recognize Him at first, but His simple guidance — to cast their nets on the right side — brings a miraculous catch of fish. And then, Jesus invites them: "Come, have breakfast."

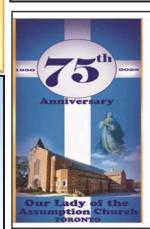
What tenderness we see here! The Risen Lord comes not with grand displays of power, but in small, loving gestures: a meal shared, simple advice, patient mercy. Even in His glorified body, Jesus chooses to meet His disciples in their ordinary life — in work, in hunger, in their need for encouragement.

The heart of today's Gospel, though, is the personal encounter between Jesus and Peter. Three times Jesus asks: "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Each question heals a wound from Peter's threefold denial. Jesus does not scold Peter or remind him of his failure. Instead, He gives Peter the opportunity to reaffirm his love, and with each affirmation, Jesus entrusts him with a mission: "Feed my lambs. Tend my sheep. Feed my sheep."

This moment teaches us something essential about the Resurrection: it is not just about the defeat of death — it is about the restoration of relationships. It is about mercy stronger than failure, love deeper than sin.

We, too, are asked the same question: **"Do you love me?"** Not, "Have you been perfect?" or "Have you never failed?" but simply, "Do you love me?" If we can answer "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you," even weakly, even with trembling, Jesus entrusts us with a mission — to love, to serve, to care for others.

Today, we are reminded that following the Risen Christ is not about being flawless. It is about saying yes to love, even after we have fallen. It is about trusting that Christ's mercy is greater than our worst mistakes. It is about accepting the mission to build up His Church with hearts full of love. The Resurrection is not the end of the story — it is the beginning. Today, like Peter, we are called to rise up, to love, and to follow Jesus anew.



Together, let us celebrate our glorious history as a parish and forge stronger ties as a community in an unforgettable evening of fun and fellowship.

Our Lady of Assumption Church 75th Anniversary Dinner and Dance Party

Saturday, May 31, 2025 <u>Sts</u>. Peter and Paul Banquet Hall 231 Milner Ave., Scarborough 6:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Admission -- \$75 Dress Code : Semi-Formal

For tickets and table reservation, please call: Fraulein 647-868-7574 | <u>Jenelyn</u> 416-890-1319 |Bhel 647-831-7970

Reflect on the Past, Embrace the Present, and Shape the Future

Apostolic Nuncio to Israel Archbishop Adolfo Tito Camacho Yllana

Will celebrate the Holy Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption Church on Sunday, May 11, 2025 at 12:00 Noon **Everyone is welcome!** May 4th, 2025



ShareLife: Living the Gospel by providing for those in need

You can work wonders!

On the second ShareLife Sunday, we call upon your compassionate hearts to support your

vulnerable brothers and sisters in need. More people than ever are turning to our agencies for help. The kindheartedness of ShareLife supporters like you enables access to essential programs and services, such as the treatment program and transitional housing at St. Michael's Homes. For Jack, your support was transformative. After moving to start a physically demanding job, he suffered a knee injury which ultimately left him unemployed and addicted to pain medication. Thanks to your empathy, Jack had a safe space to overcome his addiction and gained the power to build himself back up.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



"The family the prays together, stays together"

Building & Grounds Committee Volunteers Needed!

Ministry Purpose / Objective: To coordinate and plan activities surrounding the maintenance of the properties and grounds of the parish. This ministry monitors the condition of the physical environment and advises the Finance and Pastoral Councils of current facility and grounds status. It functions as a resource for general repairs and saves the parish money by performing repairs and projects instead of hiring others to do them whenever possible. It helps the Finance Council to coordinate and plan capital expenditures.

Refer to General Qualifications Required of Every Ministry and Committee Member: Specific Qualifications Required: One or more of the following "handyman" skills: Mechanical skills; Electrical skills; Painting skills; Plumbing skills; Carpentry skills; General handyman skills.

For information, please call Fr. Lorenzo at 416-787-4547 ext. 210 or Lsalandanan@archtoronto.org.

Landscaping Ministry Volunteer Needed!

- Help maintain the gardens around the church and parish property
- Help with Spring planting Decide what flowers and plant to plant each year Purchase & plant purchased materials Help water the gardens during Summer

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SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, May 17th, 2025

at 11:00am

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



Saturday, May 31 st, 2025 at 11:00am

By Bishop Robert Kasun

Please include them in your prayers.



DONATION NEEDED TO PURCHASE THE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION!

As we celebrate our 75th Anniversary, we are purchasing a 5ft Statue of Our Lady of the Assumption to be blessed by Cardinal Leo on August 31st, 2025. The amount is \$6,204 50+ tax. Any amount of donation will be appreciated. An income tax receipt will be provided at the end of the year. For Information, please call Fr. Lorenzo.

"Remember your OLA Parish in your will."



VOCATION CORNER

You are the body of Christ, every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your

part. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact: **Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997.** email: vocations@ archtoronto.org. www.vocationstoronto.ca



"A DAY WITH MARY"

On Saturday, May 31st, 2025 on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary from 10am-4pm at Villanova College located at 2480 15th Sideroad in King City.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in July 2025 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

