

THE LORD IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!



Happy Easter... Buona Pasqua...

**St. Mary Immaculate Parish,
Richmond Hill**

EASTER SUNDAY

Pastor's Easter Message....

HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Lord is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Happy Easter!

The Easter celebration reminds us that Christ has conquered sin and death, offering new life, hope, and joy, even in challenging times. The Resurrection assures us that God has the final word over darkness, inviting us to walk in the light. We are called to emerge from the "tomb" and walk in the newness of life, recognizing God's grace. As disciples, we are commissioned to bring this Easter joy and peace into a world broken by suffering, becoming visible witnesses of Christ's presence. The resurrection confirms that love is stronger than death. Let us be part of this Joyful Celebration: Alleluia! Jesus is risen and alive in our midst.

Dear parishioners of St. Mary Immaculate - whom I feel so blessed and privileged to serve - thank you for your steadfast witness of the Resurrection and generous support of this parish community. I would also like to THANK our brother Priests, Deacon, Office staff, Catechism teachers, coordinators of our liturgical ministries, our wonderful choir, and all our liturgical ministers who helped to make this year's Holy Week and Easter such an inspirational experience of faith. THANK YOU!!!

My prayer for you this Easter is that the new life given by Jesus in His Resurrection may burst into the dark "tombs" of your life and from you go out into the world! I pray that you and your loved ones have a blessed Easter! May the glory of the resurrection bring you and your loved ones abundant blessings, peace, and renewed hope. HAPPY EASTER!

With prayers and blessings,
Rev. Shibil John Pariyathupadavil

Messaggio di Pasqua dal Pastore....

BUONA PASQUA A TUTTI!

Cari Fratelli e Sorelle in Cristo,

Il Signore è Risorto! Alleluia! Alleluia! Buona Pasqua!

La celebrazione pasquale ci ricorda che Cristo ha vinto il peccato e la morte, offrendo nuova vita, speranza e gioia, anche nei momenti difficili. La Resurrezione ci assicura che Dio ha l'ultima parola sulle tenebre, invitandoci a camminare nella luce. Siamo chiamati a emergere dal "sepolcro" e camminare nella novità della vita, riconoscendo la grazia di Dio. Come discepoli, siamo incaricati di portare questa gioia e pace pasquale in un mondo spezzato dalla sofferenza, diventando testimoni visibili della presenza di Cristo. La risurrezione conferma che l'amore è più forte della morte. Partecipiamo a questa Gioiosa Celebrazione: Alleluia! Gesù è risorto e vivo in mezzo a noi.

Cari parrocchiani di Santa Maria Immacolata - che mi sento così fortunato e privilegiato di servire - grazie per la vostra testimonianza costante della Risurrezione e per il generoso sostegno a questa comunità parrocchiale. Vorrei anche RINGRAZIARE i nostri fratelli Sacerdoti, il Diacono, il personale dell'Ufficio, gli insegnanti di Catechismo, i coordinatori dei nostri ministeri liturgici, il nostro meraviglioso coro, e tutti i nostri ministri liturgici che hanno contribuito a rendere la Settimana Santa e la Pasqua di quest'anno un'esperienza di fede così ispiratrice. GRAZIE!!!

La mia preghiera per voi questa Pasqua è che la nuova vita donata da Gesù nella Sua Risurrezione esploda nelle "tombe" oscure della vostra vita e da voi si diffonda nel mondo! Pregho che voi e i vostri cari possiate avere una Pasqua benedetta! Che la gloria della risurrezione porti a voi e ai vostri cari abbondanti benedizioni, pace e rinnovata speranza. BUONA PASQUA!

Con preghiere e benedizioni,
Rev. Shibil John Pariyathupadavil

A Simple Easter Prayer

Dear Jesus,

Today, my heart is full of gratitude.

Thank You for Your love, for Your sacrifice,
and for the hope You give through Your resurrection.
Because of You, I am free, forgiven, and never alone.

Help me to carry the joy of Easter with me—
-not just today, but every day.

Fill my heart with Your peace, my mind with Your truth,
and my life with Your love.

Let me be a reflection of Your grace to those around me.

I love You, Lord.

Thank You for saving me. Amen.

CONGRATULATIONS RCIA & RCIC CANDIDATES
We welcome you into the Church!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Easter Monday, April 6.

THANK YOU

Our Holy week and Easter liturgies were beautiful and meaningful in so many ways. Thank you to the Musicians and Choir, Sacristans, Altar Servers, Ushers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Anita and the team who decorated the Church and covered and uncovered the statues, those who organized the children's Easter play, those who helped with the Stations of the Cross, those who cleaned the Church and those who donated flowers. Thank you to all the Parish Ministries that participated in the Lenten Soup Fridays. We raised a total of \$1,025.50 which will be donated to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you to Jeffrey and the Knights of Columbus for directing traffic on Palm Sunday and Easter. For all those who were involved with Holy Week and Easter celebrations, Thank you! We are grateful and blessed to have such wonderful and kind-hearted parishioners.

PARKING LOT TRAFFIC PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER

Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 5957 will provide traffic support in the parking lot for the 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Easter Sunday (April 5, 2026). To help ensure the

safe and efficient movement of vehicles, parishioners will be directed to **turn left only** when leaving the parking lot. This approach has proven to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion. We would like to ask you to please follow the directions provided by the Knights. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Please join us **next Sunday, April 12 at 3:00 pm** for Divine Mercy devotion with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

PARKING ON DUNLOP ST.

We kindly remind you to observe the parking signs on Dunlop St. to avoid getting ticketed. If you receive a ticket on Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday, please bring your ticket to the parish office for further direction.

BIBLE STUDY

Come Join Us for Our Next Exciting Bible Study!

The Gospel of Luke – 8 session study
Thursday mornings 9:15 am - 11:15 am
April 9 to May 28, 2026

Contact the Parish office to register.

You are encouraged to join. Each of our participants learn at their own pace and are provided supplementary notes by our bible study teacher along with a robust discussion and support throughout the study. You will be surprised how much you will learn, and it will be the best 2 hours you will spend for yourself learning about Our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, you need not worry, if you have never opened a bible and have absolutely no knowledge of scripture...you are among friends who are also learning right along with you. There is nothing to fear.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

General meeting will be held on **Thursday April 9** starting with the Holy Rosary at 7 pm in the Church followed by the meeting in the Parish Hall. We welcome all members and ladies interested in becoming a member.

COR MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting of the COR Men's Group is on **Saturday, April 11 at 7:00 a.m.** in the parish hall. All men of the parish are invited. For additional information please email COR.kofc5957@gmail.com.



The Resurrection of the Lord
Easter Sunday
April 5, 2026

Wishing you a blessed Easter from ShareLife

This Easter Sunday, we hold gratitude for the Lord Jesus, our saviour; and for you who brings the hands of Christ to our brothers and sisters in need. We witness how you live the Gospel wholeheartedly, opening your heart to the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized. It is through your love that our family of faith is strengthened. We wish you and your loved ones a blessed and peaceful Easter, blooming with hope. The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is April 26. Thus far we have raised **\$28,181.15 (8.1%)** toward our goal of **\$405,000.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

FATIMA GIFT SHOP

Visit the Fatima Gift shop. Beautiful religious items available for any occasion, especially for Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Weddings. **Hours**

Saturday: 4:30 pm–6:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am–2:00 pm and 4:00 pm–6:00 pm

FATIMA GIFT SHOP WILL BE CLOSED EASTER WEEKEND



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APRIL 26, 2026

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Available to offer for loved ones for a one-week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please email or call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

APR 6 - 12: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:
Spec. Int. of Carmine Vittorio
Spec. Int for the Vittorio Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please email or call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Clelia Proia, America Rodriguez, Lilia Rodriguez, Adriana Gomez, Ricardo Garzon, Javier Cardenas, Hernando Cruz, Peter McGuinness, Dante Fabiello, Sharon Moos, Margaret Gerritse, Romeo Marra, Ann Gibbens, Lester Camat, Frank Grabarczyk, Andreas Waldherr, Andrew Gomes, Vienna, Ellie, Chito, Atet, Jayce Kaiden, Bosco Mendonca, Peter Fernandes, Fran Markle

MASS INTENTIONS APR 6 – APR 12

Mon. Apr 6	8:00 am	+Luigi Vittorio Sr. & Family In Thanksgiving Mass of Juho Song
Tues. Apr 7	8:00 am	+All Souls in Purgatory +Americo Nonni
Wed. Apr 8	8:00 am	+Eusebio Darlucio +Lucita Ayo
Thurs. Apr 9	8:00 am	+Gabriele Magnotta +Irene D'Costa
Fri. Apr 10	8:00 am	+Antonio Nudo +Benito, +Domenico & +Teresa Chiaravalloti
	7:00 pm	Memorial Mass of +Antonio Santopolo (Bilingual)
Sat. Apr 11	8:30 am	+Frank Piazza +Caterina Galofaro +Concetta, +Vincenzo & +Alfonso Buffone +All Souls in Purgatory
	5:00 pm	+Cesira Maggiacomo +All Deceased members of the Paradiso & Andreucci Families
Sun. Apr 12	8:00 am	+All Souls in Purgatory +Eusebio Darlucio
	9:30 am	+Angelo & +Rosina Cordinelli +Maria & +Domenico Giancola +Antonio Tomasone +Francesco Boragina +Lino & +Dina Ferro +Girolamo & +Maddalena Ferro +Marco & +Caterina Toffolon +Giuseppe & +Angela Tino
	11:00 am	+Francesca Tunzi +Americo & +Izelina Frade +Manuel & +Maria da Luz Frade +All Deceased people who died in Auschwitz +Giovanna Capitelli +Giuseppe Capitelli +Mike Ballesteros +Delia Pivato +Hans Kerwin Bello +Terry Meeuwisse
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	4:30 pm	+Rodolfo Fortuna & Family +Pedro Cruz

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