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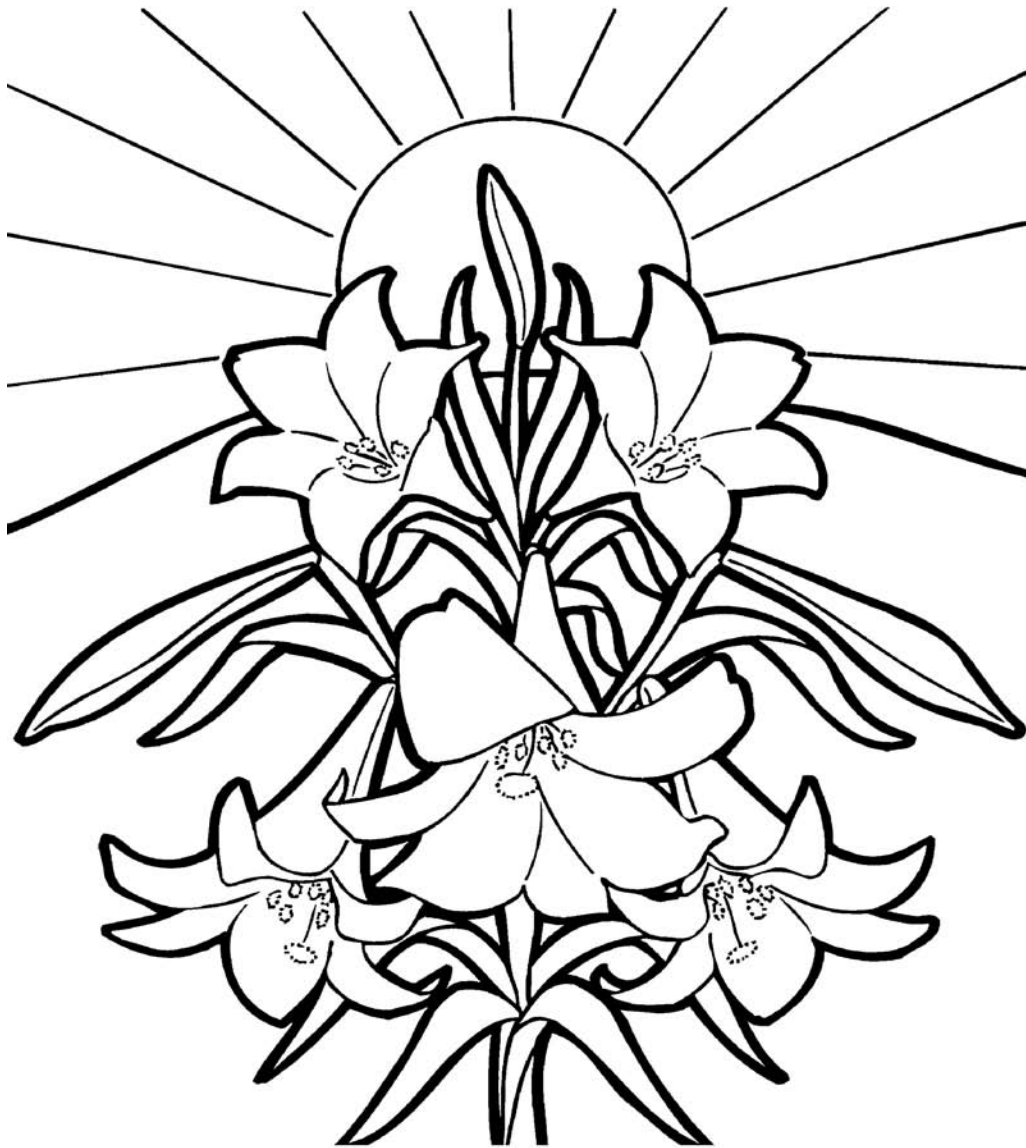
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**The Lord has Risen,
Allelaia, Allelaia, Allelaia!**

EASTER SUNDAY — April 20, 2025

Happy Easter!



On behalf of St Nicholas of Bari Parish and the staff, I extend my heartfelt greetings and best wishes to each and every one of you. May the peace of the Risen Christ permeate your hearts and homes, filling them with boundless joy and unwavering hope. In this season of resurrection, may you experience the transformative power of God's love in your lives. God bless you all abundantly! Fr. Bruno

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate the following individuals on receiving their sacraments this Easter!

Baptisms, First Communions, & Confirmations

Claudia
Pietra
João
Alexander
Mia
Adriano
Alessandro
Evangelina

May the Risen Lord Jesus Christ bless you abundantly and continue to inspire you to have a deeper relationship with him!

Jubilee 2025: Lenten Pilgrimage

Why not consider a Lenten Pilgrimage to one of our designated Pilgrimage Churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto during this special year of blessings? A listing of these churches and resources for your visit can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/jubilee. The site also provides information for those wishing to receive a Plenary Indulgence through their visit to a Pilgrimage church. Please note that it is not necessary to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the same day as your visit to the Pilgrimage church, but can be celebrated in your own parish "within several days before or after your visit."



Confirmation Retreat

Sunday, May 3rd
10:00am-4pm

Students & Sponsors are to attend



Comment on John 20:1-9

On this glorious morning, we are invited to step into the silence of an empty tomb—and discover that it is not the end, but the beginning of everything. Mary Magdalene comes in sorrow, expecting to anoint a body, to tend to death. Instead, she finds the stone rolled away. Peter and John run to the tomb, confused and breathless. They see the linen cloths, folded and still. But something deeper happens: they begin to believe. The Resurrection is not just a past event. It is God's loudest "Yes" to life, to hope, to love. It is the promise that darkness never has the final word, that no tomb can hold the fullness of God's love. Many of us still carry "tombs" in our lives—grief, disappointment, regret. But today, the Risen Christ whispers to each of us: "Come out. Step into the light. I am alive—and so are you." Let us not just celebrate that Christ is risen. Let us dare to live as people who believe it—with joy that cannot be silenced, with mercy stronger than hate, and with hope deeper than fear.

The tomb is empty. Love has risen. Let us rise with Him.

Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents

The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be from **Friday, May 16 at 6 p.m.** to **Sunday, May 18 at 3:30 p.m.** at **St. Augustine's Seminary** (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough). Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: \$340 per person (\$200 for students), which includes meals, lodging and retreat material. Limited subsidies are available if cost is a concern. Please contact lgwtoronto@proton.me.

For university/college students, contact your campus minister for more information. Space is limited. To register, visit: <https://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat-Register2025>.

Heartfelt thanks to Don Francesco Armenti
for his moving preaching during the Lenten and Easter mission.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Palm Sunday offerings: \$2,155.05

Sale of crosses: \$1,050.00

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DOMENICA DI PASQUA - 20 Aprile 2025



Mass
Intentions

April 20 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am – Pasqua di Risurrezione

10:30am – Easter Sunday

April 21 Monday/Lunedì

No mass ----- Non c'è messa

April 22 Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am – Peace & wellbeing of Jessica Carmen Leone Stanco & Andrew; Healing of Rosa Stanco; Repose of the soul of Sergio Osvaldo Arevalo (1 year); Wanda Maria Pironi, Michelina & Michal Pawluk; Birthday blessings upon Marcela Estefania Arevalo

9:40am – Loretto College Mass

11:00am – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

April 23 Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Yuli Buenahora, Laureano Pachon, George Floyd; St. Joseph help upon Sylvia Lorenzo, Dinora, Irena, Ania, Jose Mauricio Castaño, Linh & Renaldo

10:00am – Easter Mass St. Paul VI School

April 24 Thursday/Giovedì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Roberto Lorenzo, Gustek Misko; Birthday blessings upon Mauricio Diaz; Healing of Yolanda Gomez, Rigoberto Guardado, Ken Dowie; Thanksgiving for anniversary of the Ordination Rev. Priest Javier Valdes

9:00am – Easter Mass St. Nicholas School

11:00am – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

April 25 Friday/Venerdì

8:00am – Angelomaria e Donata Calitri, Annantonia De Cotiis; Domingo Uy; Repose of the soul of Mariana & Marcelino Naranjo; For the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake; Birthday blessings upon Mateo Doradea & Rev. Priest Ismael Naranjo Silva

April 26 Saturday/Sabato

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Maria Serafina & Juan Cedillos, Marina Carlota Moz; Birthday blessings upon Valery Sandino Murphy & Rita Rutigliano

April 27 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am – Vincenzo Pinelli e San Padre Pio; Rodolfo Genovese; Franceshina Santaguida; Calamia Rocco, Sodano Giuseppe, Monteleone Girolama, Sodano Vita

10:30am – Olindo & Rosina Bonofiglio & Family; Guido Di Prospero; Annunziata & Domenico Tedesco

10:30am – Baptisms (Mia Sousa Abreu & Caleah Noel-Modeste)

12:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)



Commento su Giovanni 20:1-9

Cari fratelli e sorelle,

questa mattina di Pasqua il Vangelo ci fa camminare – o meglio, correre – insieme a Maria di Magdala, Pietro e Giovanni. Tutti vanno in fretta al sepolcro. Ma non trovano quello che si aspettavano: trovano un vuoto. Il sepolcro è aperto. Il corpo non c'è. Eppure... è proprio lì, nel vuoto, che nasce la fede. Giovanni entra, guarda, e il Vangelo ci dice: *"Vide e credette."* Anche noi, nella vita, abbiamo conosciuto tanti "sepolcri vuoti": momenti in cui una persona cara non c'è più, situazioni che ci hanno tolto sicurezze, giornate in cui ci siamo sentiti soli, dimenticati, stanchi... Eppure, è proprio lì – come per Giovanni – che il Signore ci invita a credere, a sperare ancora. Perché la Risurrezione non è solo un miracolo di ieri, è una promessa per oggi. Quanti di voi, nella vita, hanno visto la luce tornare dopo una notte difficile? Una riconciliazione in famiglia, un medico che ha trovato la cura giusta, un nipotino che vi ha sorriso quando ne avevate più bisogno... Sono piccoli segni di Pasqua: Dio che continua a rotolare le pietre, anche quelle del cuore. E allora, cosa possiamo fare noi, oggi? Possiamo portare speranza, con una telefonata, un sorriso, un "ti voglio bene" detto a tempo. Possiamo raccontare ai giovani che la vita non finisce con il dolore, che l'amore risorge sempre. Possiamo anche affidarci a Dio con fiducia: perché, anche se il corpo rallenta, il cuore può continuare a correre, come quello di Giovanni. Carissimi, la tomba è vuota. Ma il cuore, oggi, è pieno. Cristo è risorto! E con Lui, anche noi possiamo risorgere alla speranza, alla pace e all'amore. Auguri di una Santa Pasqua a tutti voi. Amen.

Buona Pasqua!

A nome della Parrocchia di San Nicola di Bari e di tutto



il nostro staff, desidero porgere a ciascuno di voi i miei più sentiti auguri. Che la pace del Cristo Risorto riempia i vostri cuori e le vostre case, donandovi una gioia senza confini e una speranza che non vacilla. In questo tempo di Risurrezione, possiate sperimentare la forza trasformante dell'amore di Dio nella vostra vita. Il Signore vi benedica con abbondanza! Padre Bruno

Grazie di cuore a Don Francesco Armenti

per la sua toccante predicazione durante la missione quaresimale e pasquale.

LE NOSTRE OFFERTE

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