

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**



Join us **Monday, April 15 at 7pm in the church** for our communal celebration of the Sacrament of Penance. There will be individual opportunities for Confession with one of the many priests present. All are invited to experience the joy that is God's Mercy.

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**Palm Sunday – April 14:** Holy Week begins with the celebration of Passion (Palm) Sunday. To commemorate the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem we will begin in front of the church, by our outdoor grotto with the reading of the Palm Gospel. Together, we will take part in the Opening Procession, waving our palms and singing of Christ's entrance into the holy city. For those who are unable to join in, or wish to remain seated in the church, you will be able to hear everything through our sound system in order to participate fully in the celebration. If it is raining (or snowing), please be sure to bring an umbrella as we will be outside rain or shine.

\*\* In anticipation of the larger crowds and the possibility of slightly longer Masses on Palm Sunday, we have reserved parking at Monsignor Fraser College on Isabella St. for the overflow from our parking lot. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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**Altar of Repose:** At the end of the Holy Thursday Mass the church is emptied of the Blessed Sacrament which is carried and placed in an Altar of Repose. We then enter into a period of solemnity and adoration before the Eucharist. After midnight on Holy Thursday, solemnity ends and a time of private and personal prayer begins. Our Altar of Repose will be located in the Library hall upstairs throughout the Easter Triduum. Everyone is invited to spend time before the Blessed Sacrament in private prayer and silent adoration as a way of deepening both our love of Christ's gift of himself to us in the Eucharist and our experience of the Easter Triduum. We want to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament will be accompanied throughout the days and so we ask you to sign up for an hour of prayer before the Altar of Repose. **Sign up times are:**



**Good Friday 9am – 3pm & 5pm – 9pm**  
**Holy Saturday 9am – 8pm**

**Call 416-924-6257 to sign up, or e-mail us at [parish@ourladyoflourdes.ca](mailto:parish@ourladyoflourdes.ca).**

**THE WAY OF THE CROSS: Every Friday at 7:00 pm during Lent** the Way of the Cross is celebrated in our Church. **Friday, April 12** is the last Friday before Holy Week and to mark this point in our Lenten journey, you are invited to join us following the Way of the Cross for some soup and fellowship in Lynch Hall. We hope you will join us in prayer and in friendship next Friday evening.

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*Are you interested in singing with the choir during this Season of Lent?* Holy Thursday Mass and Good Friday Service are two opportunities to offer yourself to the Lord and experience His Passion more deeply through the ministry of music. You may choose to participate on either one or both events. We have rehearsals scheduled in the Library as follows:



**Tuesdays April 9 & 16 7:00-9:00 pm for Holy Thursday Mass**

**Wednesdays April 10 & 17 7:00-9:00 pm for Good Friday 3:00 pm Service**

Musical experience is not required for participation, but only a firm commitment to the ministry by attending rehearsals and the event. All materials will be provided. If you feel inclined to join or would like more information, please contact Mario at 416-535-9147.

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**Children's Gospel Passion Play**

Children are invited to participate in the **Children's Gospel Reenactment of the Passion** which takes place at our Good Friday Morning Service. Rehearsals take place Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week (April 16 & 17) at 6pm in the church. For more information, please call 416-924-6257.

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**EASTER PLANT DONATIONS:** Those who wish to donate Spring and Easter plants and flowers are invited to bring them to the church from April 15 to 20. A table will be set up by the Sacristy door all week for you to place them on. Our Décor team begins preparations early Saturday morning and works all through the day. Thank you so much for helping us to beautify our church for Easter. If you would like to help with the preparation and the set-up of the plants, please leave your name with at the Parish Office, 416-924-6257.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, April 8**

8:00 am Santic Kata (Kaja) + [Ana Z.]  
 12:10pm Marion Desroches + [Ophie, Lee, Orlando & George]  
 5:15 pm Anthony Cinquina + [Cathy Cameron]

**Tuesday, April 9**

8:00 am Thanksgiving – MARIA LUZ BALAOS & Family  
 [Family]  
 12:10 pm ANGELINA ALINCASTRE’s Birthday [Anonymous]  
 5:15 pm Thanksgiving for Recovery [Joseph Johnson]

**Wednesday, April 10**

8:00 am EVA’s Birthday [Eva]  
 12:10 pm Kevin Quinto + [Quinto Family]  
 5:15 pm Special Intention [Misetich Matija]

**Thursday, April 11**

8:00 am  
 12:10 pm PRINCELISA CRISP & ZAIDA OLIVER +  
 [Oliver Family]  
 5:15pm Thanksgiving [Alisa Diokno]

**Friday, April 12**

8:00 am  
 12:10 pm Terry Hughes + [James Wood]  
 5:15pm GUADALUPE VELANO + [Benedicto Family]

**Saturday, April 13**

8:00 am Esmeraldo & ISABEL Pardinias + [Family]  
 12:10pm EULALIA SAZON + [Remy, Belle & Family]

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

*Bill Henry, Dennis Fitzgerald  
 Melina Camungao, Alfredo Camungao  
 Alvin Codera Taburada, Kevin Quinto, Imelda Udarbe*



Alpha is about sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ. Over the course of ten weeks, Alpha provides a practical introduction to the Christian faith, offering guests an opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed and friendly setting. Alpha provides an opportunity for people to encounter the love of God in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit.

**Each evening involves food, fun and friendship!** Each week begins with supper, followed by a talk on a different aspect of the Christian faith and small group sharing. Those looking, will find in Alpha, an experience of community, welcome and belonging.

Our next Alpha come and see evening—*Is There More to Life than This?*—takes place Tuesday **April 23 at 6pm.**

Call us at 416-924-6257 or  
 e-mail [parish@ourladyoflourdes.ca](mailto:parish@ourladyoflourdes.ca) to register.

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**BEAUTY FROM OUR FAITH**

*Forgiveness is above all a personal choice, a decision of the heart to go against the natural instinct to pay back evil with evil.*  
 ~ St. John Paul II

**New Website Update**

We are pleased to announce that our new parish website will be launching next week on Palm Sunday, April 14.

See next week’s bulletin for an introduction to the new features that will be available, how to connect with us on social media, and more.

<b>Lourdes @ a glance: the week of April 6 to 13, 2019</b>						
Sun 7	Mon 8	Tues 9	Wed 10	Thurs 11	Fri 12	Sat 13
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Kids at Mass RCIA 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Class		Holy Thursday Choir Rehearsal 7pm	Good Friday Choir Rehearsal 7pm	EDGE 6:30 pm	Way of the Cross 7pm Followed by soup & friendship in Lynch Hall	Baptisms