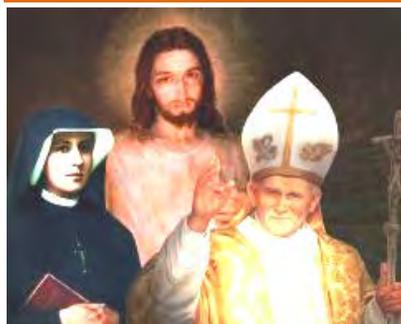




DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – C



During Easter's fifty days of rejoicing we have time to savor the meaning of Jesus' death and resurrection. The gospel tells of the disciples' fear (they still did not understand) changing to great joy when suddenly Christ stands among them. He

brings the forgiveness won by his wounds and gives the young Church, in the power of the Spirit, his mission: to make available his forgiveness and peace. On Easter the disciples were slow to believe; later, Thomas demands the concrete proof which faith does not require. But his scepticism gives way, when Christ appears, to the strongest expression of faith found in the gospels. His confession evokes our faith, who have not seen and yet believe. The first two readings show the effects of the risen Lord's presence: the community formed at Easter stands out for its common prayer and mutual love, while the individual believer looks forward in glorious joy to seeing the risen Lord. Trials cannot wipe out the joy of those who believe. One day we will see fully! *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

2nd Sunday of Easter - April 03, 2016

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood or consecrated life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Chris** at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org or call **Fr. Victor** at 416-757-2806 or email him at olfatima@rogers.com for further information.



LUCIA DOS SANTOS SECULAR CARMEL COMMUNITY



The April OCDS community meeting is on **Tuesday, April 19**, in the church hall, at 7.00 pm. The election of President and Counsellors will take place after the usual prayers. *Prospective members are welcome to attend the meeting as observers.*

Feast of the Divine Mercy

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY today Sunday, April 03, 2016

- >> 2.15 pm - The D.M. Chaplet, Adoration & other prayers
- >> 2.45 pm - Mass and Benediction



JESUS I TRUST IN YOU

First Holy Communion meetings ...

Applicants are to attend the Sunday 10.30 am Mass and Children's Liturgy gatherings. The next meetings are on **Apr 10, 17, 24** after the Easter break during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. **Thanks.**

Next Confirmation classes are on ...

Classes start at 2.30 pm in the church hall. Attendance is **mandatory** for all the meetings. Up-coming classes after Easter Break: **Apr 16 [Retreat], 23, 30.** Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church is a must. **Thanks.**

		April 04 – 10 2016
Mon 04	8:00 am	Flor Vendiola [D]
Tues 05	8:00 am	Emily Osorio [D]
Wed 06	7:00 pm	Austin Slammarren [D]
Thur 07	8:00 am	Louise Middleton [D]
Fri 08	8:00 am	Sever Zagrai [D]
Sat 09	9:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
	4:30 pm	Cecile Dumas [I]
Sun 10 <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	9:00 am	People of the Parish
	10:30 am	Rocchina Lamanna [D]
	12:15 pm	Vito Caporusso Jr. [D]

ShareLife Campaign 2016

A reminder that the **next collection** in this year's **ShareLife Campaign** will be the weekend of **April 16/17**. But any donations toward this campaign are welcome and acknowledged at any time of the year.



Visit www.sharelife.org for more information

Welcome Home!

We welcome with great joy in our faith community these newly Baptised/Received and Confirmed Catholics, the night of the Easter Vigil, into full communion with us in the Risen Lord and in the Catholic Church: **KIMBERLY Anning, BIANCA Apatsidis, ELENA Cernega, KALORE Cao Jing Mei, JOSE' Chatter, NAZARETH Chatter, MELANIE Eto-Douboulidis, JUSTIN Parent, RUBY Ranasinghe, SIERRA Ryan, MEGHANN Solakis, SHEILA Solakis, JIMMY [LUM] Ssu-Ling.**



We also welcome the young ones who were baptized on Easter Monday morning: KAISHA L. Gedehomme, KAILYN Gedehomme, BROOKLYN-DAWN Parker-DeCoito.

Congratulations ... Thanks be to God!



INFANT JESUS NOVENA 2016

- Novena 1 – Wed April 27 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 2 – Wed May 25 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 3 – Wed June 22 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 4 – Wed July 27 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 5 – Wed Aug 24 at 5:30 pm

The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague is celebrated on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 6.00 pm



Divine Mercy Sunday – Sun. Apr 03

There is **NO Children's Liturgy** and **First Communion class**. These resume next weekend at the regular time. The LORD'S FLOCK has **no** formal prayer meeting today but will be in church for the **FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY** starting at 2.15 pm.

Baptism Preparation Meeting – Mon. Apr 04

A baptism preparation meeting for parents and godparents starts at 7:00 pm in the church. The next baptism celebration is on Saturday, April 9 at 10:30 am.

Fatima Devotions – Wed. Apr 06

The regular Fatima Devotions start at 6.30 pm as usual. Evening Mass at 7.00 pm follows. The Easter Mass for *St. Joachim School* is celebrated today at 1:00 pm in the school's gym.

Schools' Retreat & Mass – Fri. Apr 08

Students from *Neal McNeal School* have a retreat in our church hall from 8:00 am to 2:30 pm. Easter Mass for *OL Fatima School* will be celebrated in the church at 12:30 pm.

Weekend activities – Sat. April 09

Candidates in our **Confirmation Program** have **NO** class today. We have a **Baptism Celebration** in the church at 10:30 am. **Anticipated Sunday Mass** is at the regular time of 4.30 pm. This weekend the friends of the **Holy Land Christian Families** will be setting up a display of carved olive wood articles in the church lobby. See details elsewhere in this bulletin.

3rd Sunday of Easter – Sun. Apr 10

The **Children's Liturgy** and **First Communion classes** continue today at the regular time. The LORD'S FLOCK resumes formal prayer meetings from 2.00 pm in the hall.

The Friends of the Holy Land Christian Families!

The friends of the **Holy Land Christian Families** are again visiting our parish next weekend - **April 9th/10th** displaying Olive Woods items from the Holy Land ... ideal gifts for **First Communion or Confirmation!**

Due to religious wars and conflicts, many Christian families were driven out of their land and had to leave their homes because of job loss. These families have been displaced and scattered. These hand-carved Olive Woods items are hand made by Christian families, most of them based in Bethlehem. This is their only source of income and it is our mission and duty to help these families by selling/buying their work to help with their livelihood and better education.



We encourage everyone to visit the display at the end of Mass and support this charitable cause.



Sunday, May 9 is ...

MOTHER'S DAY

Prayer of Pope Francis for YEAR OF MERCY

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

"Have the courage to be truly happy!"

Pope Francis



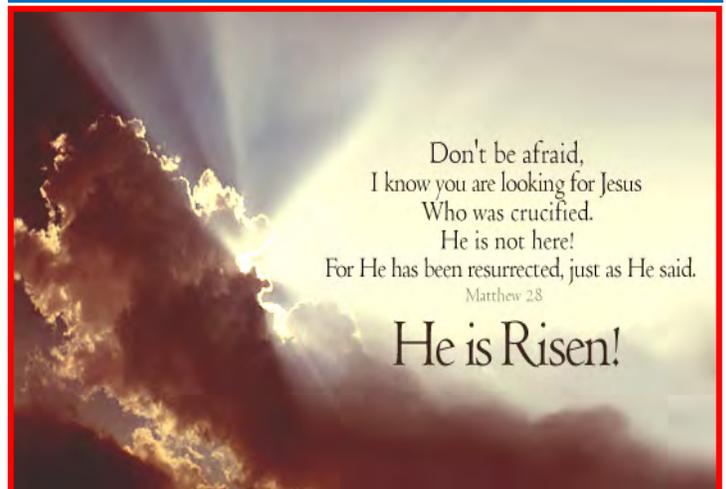
You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: Let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

Merciful like the Father ...



**ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
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