

Why do we rejoice today? We rejoice because our faith in Christ has been vindicated. Jesus was falsely charged of crimes he did not commit, and unjustly sentenced to a death he did not deserve. His good friend betrayed him, his trusted companions deserted him and his number one man denied him. On Good Friday when we see Jesus scourged, mocked, led on the death march, nailed to the cross where he dies after a few hours and hastily buried in a tomb. If that were the end of the story it would be a tragedy. But glory be to God it is not.

Death is not the end of the story. There is one more chapter. This is the most important chapter because, as the saying goes, they who laugh last laugh best. And in the last chapter of the story of Jesus we see him rise from the dead in all glory and majesty. He is vindicated. His enemies are shamed and confused. Jesus regains his eternal glory with the Father. He is the Lord who will prevail over all humankind, his enemies included. For us his embattled followers this is good news.

It is good news to know that truth is immortal. We can suppress Truth, accuse it of being a lie, condemn it, torture it, kill it, bury it in the grave but on the third day Truth will rise again. Remember this and do not give up on Truth even when everybody seems to give up on it. Do not give up on Truth; do not give up on Justice. Do not give up on doing what is right. Today Christ has won. We know that in Christ we shall overcome. Halleluiah! Praise the Lord!



Dear Parishioners.

Our Saviour is returned to life and illuminated us with His Love... May the wonders of this season - the beauty of springtime, the newness of life, the Resurrection of Jesus, fill your heart with joy and your life with love

May God Bless you and your families during this Easter Season. He has truly Risen. Alleluia!
Fr. Xavier De Pinto

"The Lord is risen, it is true!"

Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. If you think God may be inviting you to such a vocation, call Fr. Liborio Amaral (416) 968-0997, or email: vocations@vocations.ca . Visit our www.vocationstoronto.ca.

40th Anniversary Gala Sunday June 1 2008 Montecassino Event Venue

Parishioners can pre-order their tickets for the 40th Anniversary Gala. The cost of the tickets is \$65.00 per person. Call Lenny at 416-636-0213.



JP2 CLUB EASTER PARTY Saturday April 12 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM Tickets \$10.00 per child

Due to Spring break our party has been moved. The new date is Saturday April 12 at 3:00 PM Come and pray the Rosary, before decorating Easter eggs. Hit a piñata, play Bingo and then have a yummy dinner.

TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BEFORE THE EVENT. TICKETS WON'T BE SOLD AT THE DOOR
If your child is interested please see Lenny on March 29 or 30 after the English masses on these dates.

Knight of Columbus Humber Valley Council # 3945

Spring International Social Saturday April 5th. 2008 St. Norbert Church's Hall Come and Join us in this spectacular family event.

Door prizes; music; entertainment; excellent food, & cash bar
Catering by Mastro's Restaurant
For tickets please Francisco at 416-910 6075 Ticket: \$30.00 each

Weekend Marriage Preparation Course in Angus

Our Lady of Grace Church, Angus, is offering a Weekend Marriage Preparation Course for engaged couples in preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage. Friday, March 28, 2008 - 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday March 29, 2008 - 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Our Lady of Grace Church, 27 Centre Street, Angus. A completion certificate will be awarded at the conclusion of the course. For more information please call the parish office at 705-424-1551.

IMPORTANT MEETINGS

**THURSDAY MARCH 27
7:30 PM**
Social Committee Meeting

**SATURDAY MARCH 29
10:00 AM**
St. Norbert's School
1st Eucharist Family Gathering
Parish Hall

**SATURDAY MARCH 29 and
SUNDAY MARCH 30**
Coffee Sunday

**SATURDAY APRIL 5
10:00 AM**
St. Robert's School
1st Eucharist Family Gathering
Parish Hall

**SATURDAY APRIL 12
10:00AM**
St. Norbert's School
Confirmation Candidate Prep

**SATURDAY APRIL 12
3:00 PM**
JP2 Club Rosary & Easter Party

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2008
Saturday, April 14th,
8.30 am to 6.30 pm,**

Metro Toronto Convention Centre
North Building, 255 Front Street
West

A Grace-filled Day with:
* Archbishop, Thomas Collins
* Fr. Frank Pavone
* Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields & Peter Herbeck
* Divine Mercy Celebration, uplifting Music
* Eucharistic Healing Procession
* Confession and Holy Mass
* Separate Youth Event with Sr. Sarah Burdick and Debbie Herbeck
For Tickets/Info. www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org,
Call (416) 251-4255 or Sadie at (905) 270-2510
or: Catholic Renewal Ministries
5845 Yonge St., P.O.Box 45018
Toronto, Ontario, M2M 3V0



Pasqua 2008.

La luce di Gesù risorto disperda le tenebre del cuore e dello spirito! Ti auguro di sentire sempre quella pace che dà serenità. Il Signore nostro è ritornato alla vita e ci ha illuminato con il suo Amore per tutti noi

Buona Pasqua a tutti
Padre Saverio, De Pinto

INTENTIONS March 25-28

**TUESDAY MARCH 25
7:00 PM**
+Antonio Calluccio
+Almerino Tittoto
+Madelana Malfara

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 26
8:00 AM**
Intention Available

**THURSDAY MARCH 27
8:00 AM**
+Intention available

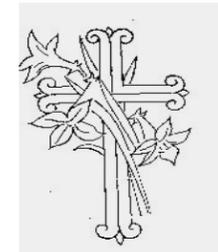
**SATURDAY MARCH 8
5:00 PM**
+Intention available

**SUNDAY MARCH 9
7:45 AM**
+Francesco Filippelli

9:00 AM
+Defunti Simone & Di Matteo

10:30 AM
Intention available

12:00 PM
For all the sick of our parish



Che cos'è che fa correre l'apostolo Giovanni al sepolcro? Egli ha vissuto per intero il dramma della Pasqua, essendo molto vicino al suo maestro. Ci sembra perciò inammissibile un'affermazione del genere: "Non avevano infatti ancora compreso la Scrittura". Eppure era proprio così: non meravigliamoci allora di constatare l'ignoranza attuale, per molti versi simile. Il mondo di Dio, i progetti di Dio sono così diversi che ancor oggi succede che anche chi è più vicino a Dio non capisca e si stupisca degli avvenimenti.

"Vide e credette". Bastava un sepolcro vuoto perché tutto si risolvesse? Credo che non fu così facile. Anche nel momento delle sofferenze più dure, Giovanni rimane vicino al suo maestro. La ragione non comprende, ma l'amore aiuta il cuore ad aprirsi e a vedere. È l'intuizione dell'amore che permette a Giovanni di vedere e di credere prima di tutti gli altri. La gioia di Pasqua matura solo sul terreno di un amore fedele. Un'amicizia che niente e nessuno potrebbe spezzare. È possibile? Io credo che la vita ci abbia insegnato che soltanto Dio può procurarci ciò. È la testimonianza che ci danno tutti i gulag dell'Europa dell'Est e che riecheggia nella gioia pasquale alla fine del nostro millennio.

Anniversario di 40 anni domenica June 1 2008 a Montecassino

I parrocchiani possono pre-ordina i loro biglietti per il Gala di Anniversario 40 Il costo dei biglietti è \$65,00 per la persona e può essere pre-ordinato chiamando l'ufficio al 416-636-0213.