

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015



Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead. (John 20: 8-9)

Last Sunday's Collection
Offertory - \$ 2195.15
Easter flowers - 45.00
Development & Peace - 216.00
Bless you for your continued generous support.

Upcoming Events

1st Communion Celebration
 April 19, 2015 @ 11:00AM

Pasta Supper
 April 26, 2015 noon to 4pm
 Tickets are available after Mass

Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry
 The Diocesan Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second and fourth Monday, 7-9 pm, Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls. For information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com.

April 13 Finding Perfect Peace; **April 27** The Annulment Process (Margaret Jong, J.C.L.); **May 11** Pastoral Care of Divorced and Separated Catholics (Fr. Chris Kulig, O. Carm.)
May 25 Laughter As Part of the Healing Process (Dino Sicoli);
June 8 Forgiveness (Dino Sicoli); **June 22** Loving and Respecting Yourself

Mass Schedule & Intentions from April 3 to April 12, 2015

Good Friday	3:00PM	The celebration of our Lord's Passion
	6:30PM	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	11:45AM	Blessing of food baskets
Easter Vigil	8:15PM	For all our deceased dear ones
Easter Sunday	9:00AM	†Frank Pellegrino by Wife Yoli & family Francesco & Francesca De Pasquale by Daughter Agatha & family Tom Di Gioia by Wife & family Mary Pacasa by Pacasa family
	11:00AM	For us and all our dear ones
Monday	9:00AM	No Mass
Tuesday	9:00AM	For the health of Iolanda Tancredi by Vince Nobile & Family
Wednesday	9:00AM	† Maria Agostino by Carmela & Rocco Ranieri
Thursday	9:00AM	† Agnesa, Domenico & Michele Ventresca by Philomena Ventresca
Friday	9:00AM	† Chelsey Kuchyt by Sid & Helen Charette
Saturday	5:00PM	† Giuseppina Nero by Maria Notarianni Antonio Gallo by wife & family Vincent Fazzalari by Mr. & Mrs. Domenic Locco Angelina Caporicci by the Marko Children
Sunday	9:00AM	† Nancy Pala by family Donald Marshall by Teresa Paonessa Mary Tkach by Pacasa family Peter Camposarcone by Peter Aiello
	11:00AM	For us and all our dear ones

C.W.L. Important Announcements

1. Communion Sunday for April has been cancelled.
2. The CWL meeting has been set for April 6, 2015 @ 6:30PM in the church
3. April 6th is the ticket deadline for the St. Catharines Diocesan Convention, taking place on May 26-27. Contact Jennifer Labinski @ (905)734-6849
4. May 3rd, 2015 Penny & Bake Sale from 12 noon to 2:00PM. Donations gratefully accepted. More information to follow.

Please remember our parish in your WILL and as a beneficiary for the memorial donations. Thank you.

Divine Mercy Celebration

On Sunday April 12, 2015 from 2:00PM to 3:30PM Adoration, Reflections, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Communion and Benediction
All are Welcome.



"Choose life!"

This is God's plea to his people, a plea which echoed in our churches during the first week of Lent as a few lines of the book of Deuteronomy were proclaimed (30.19). Isn't it surprising to hear God plead with his people, beg them, implore them to make this choice? Perhaps God has to plead with us because the choice is neither evident nor easy. However, it is always crucial. The Risen Jesus breathed upon the disciples and offered them peace. With him, we too are to breathe life into our relationships, our communities, our work and our world. The Spirit of peace and joy we offer does not prefer death. Invited, compelled, by the Spirit, we seek and protect life. The Risen Christ is with us – in the womb; on the death bed; in the fields and houses of our Galilees, and beyond. The love that God calls us to offer is stronger than death; the life we share extends more deeply and far further than the grave. **"Choose life!"** This is the "crucial" choice each of us must make. Out of this choice rises every Hallelujah! For in Christ, our hope lives. He is risen. Risen indeed.



Paul-André Durocher Archbishop of Gatineau. President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops



Parish Discernment Process

A reminder about the next step in the Parish Discernment Process. It is the **"Parish Needs Survey"**. This survey will be conducted in questionnaire form at each Mass in each parish in Welland on the April 12th Weekend (the week after Easter). The survey is a key part of the evaluation process. At the beginning of the Mass, parishioners 16 years of age and above will be asked to respond to the questions of this survey in English or Italian. It is a matter of checking the appropriate box

1=Poor (povero),
 2=Fair (fiera),
 3=Good (buono),
 4=Excellent (eccellente).

As remote preparation for the survey, we simply invite you to do some thinking on the following areas that are included in the questionnaire that touch on the overall operation of St. Andrew's Parish: Quality of parish life - Spiritual animation - Number of ministries - Different services offered - Financial management. Some thoughtful reflection beforehand will give deeper meaning to one's responses and consequently render a more helpful picture of the ministry and community life of St. Andrew's Parish.



Saint Andrew the Apostle, pray for us

Dear Brothers and Sisters: Thursday we will begin our celebration of the Sacred Triduum, as we commemorate Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. We begin the Triduum by celebrating the Mass of the Lord's Supper, as we recall Christ's offering of his body and blood to the Father, which he gave to the Apostles as food for their nourishment, with the command that they perpetually celebrate these mysteries in his

memory. We recall also the Lord washing the Apostles' feet, through which he showed that the purpose of his life and passion is to serve God and neighbour, a service which we are called to imitate by loving one another as he loved us. On Good Friday, we will meditate on the mystery of Christ's death and we will adore the Cross. By his sacrifice, sin has been overcome through love, an immense love which we are called to live and transmit. On Holy Saturday, we will contemplate Jesus' lying in the tomb, and with Mary, the Church will keep alive the flame of faith, hoping against every hope in Christ's resurrection. Then, at the Easter Vigil, when the Alleluia resounds again, we will celebrate the Risen Christ, the centre and fulfillment of the universe and history. In these days, may we not only observe the Lord's Passion, but truly enter into its mystery, making our own the sentiments of Christ. In this way, our Easter will indeed be blessed.



POPE FRANCIS
General Audience
April 1, 2015

As we celebrate the Lord's Resurrection let us take a few moments to contemplate the profound meaning of the Paschal Mystery which reveals to us God's love and mercy for the world. "God is love, and mercy is his deed, in love it begins, in mercy it is revealed." This is a message that the world needs to hear. May our Risen Lord grant you a grace-filled Easter.

Yours sincerely in Christ,
 Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, D.D.
 Bishop of St. Catharines



Thank You

My dear friends, I wish you and all your dear ones a Holy & Blessed Easter. I take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers for their love and support for the parish. Special thanks to all who helped with music, singing, reading, ushering, decorating, altar serving etc in this Holy week. I also thank all who brought food items for the **Palm Sunday Luncheon**, and to all those who donated their time or money to make it possible. Again thank you, one and all for all your prayers and support to our parish. Let us continue to work together.

God bless you. Fr. Paul Vellakunnath

Do you know that **CANCER CELLS FEED ON SUGAR**. It is the fuel for cancer cells and it diminishes your immune system. Please, keep this in mind as you party this weekend and at all times.

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From the book of Genesis—Chapter 21-26 Abraham planted what kind of plant at Beer-sheba? (there he invoked by name the LORD, God the Eternal)

- A. Olive tree
- B. Tamarisk
- C. Apple of Sodom
- D. Pine Tree

Catholic Trivia
 Question of the Week
Answer in Next Week's Bulletin

Last Week's Question: **From the book of Genesis—Chapter 17-20 Who laughed and said: 'Will I really bear a child, old as I am?'**
ANSWER: A Sarah