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### ShareLife Sunday Collection: March 29/30

Your gift brings hope to those served by 40 Catholic agencies in our community and beyond! Please give at our parish or sharelife.org/donate

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## **ST. CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH**

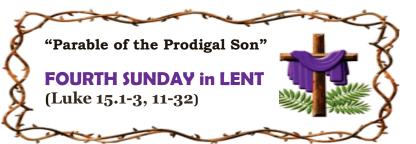
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Jesus told them a parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So, the father divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living.

#### Psalm 34 - Taste and see that the Lord is good.

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.



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O Come...let us adore HMM

at The HOLY HOUR Adoration will be after morning mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> & last Friday of the month, the other Fridays it will be in the evening @ 7pm.

#### Bringing the Hands of Christ to those in need!

Our Parish goal for 2025 is - \$166,500.00

A Catholic Charities agency supported by ShareLife

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ShareLife is more than a parish

collection. It is how we, as a Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Over 40 ShareLife agencies serve tens of thousands of people locally and countless more around the world, regardless of religious affiliation. Does it benefit us too...YES!! it offers walk-in counselling to

• Those facing mental health issues, or victims of domestic violence. It ensures that isolated seniors are not forgotten.

It is Your support of ShareLife which makes these programs possible. Thank you for living the Gospel by helping the needy.

#### Today is ShareLife Sunday! There is a second collection.

Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) to the ShareLife campaign is an excellent way for parishioners to participate in the campaign. Please visit **sharelife.org/donate** for ways to donate.



Monday, March 31 | NO MASS

Tuesday, April 01 | 9:00 am Blake Sequeira (Spec. Int.) † Neil Sweeney

† Peter & Josephine Lucas

Wednesday, April 02 | 9:00 am † Christine Nickalls

**Thursday, April 03 | 9:00 am †** Raul Felipe Mercier

Friday, April 04| 9:00 am

† Arsenia & Ranoldo Tizon

Saturday, April 05 | 9:00 am † Kam Fon Wong † Klich Marion Mirko Bukmir (Spec. Int.)

Saturday, April 05 | 5:00 pm † Patsy Connolly

#### Sunday, April 06

8:30 am † Lyra De Souza
10:00am People of the Parish
12noon † Pat & Dianne Boone (Spec. Int.)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** – 10 am Mass

#### Don't miss these dates at St. Christopher's

- Stations of the Cross: (Lent) Every Friday- 6:30pm (followed by the HOLY HOUR Adoration) (except on 1<sup>st</sup> & last Friday of the month).
- Lenten Confession Please Note: There will be NO scheduled confessions for the remainder of Holy Week!
- A Night of Reflection by Fr. Steven April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm – dwell on *"The Last Seven Words of Christ"*.

#### The Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday-Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> (Vigil Mass) at 5pm Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> April at <u>8:00am</u>, 10:00am & 12:00noon

Monday 14th No Mass Tuesday 15th Regular Mass at 8:30am Wednesday 16th- Regular Mass at 9:00am

#### By HIS Stripes .. we are Healed! IS:53-5

#### Holy Thursday, April 17th

Solemn Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30pm (Bring bells to Mass on Holy Thursday) Exposition of **Blessed Sacrament**: 8:30pm to 12 midnight in the parish hall.

Good Friday, April 18th (A Day of Abstinence) . The Lord's Passion Service- 11:00am & 3:00pm . Stations of the Cross –7:30pm (re-enactment by Youth)

Holy Saturday, April 19th Easter Food Blessing: 2pm The Great Vigil and First Mass of Easter: <u>8.00pm</u> (Bring bells to the EASTER VIGIL)

#### Easter Sunday, April 20th

Celebrating the Resurrection of the Lord

MASS at <u>8:00am</u>, 10:00 am & 12:00noon Lord, by your Cross and Resurrection, You have set us free, You are the Saviour of the World!



#### EASTER FOOD BLESSING (Swiecenie Pokarmow) Holy Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm

An Easter Tradition of bringing baskets of food to be blessed is very popular throughout Europe. Many

Eastern Europeans bring decorated Easter eggs, ham, sausages, breads, salt, cheese and Easter Bread on Holy Saturday. This food was then traditionally used to break the 'Paschal fast.

**PREPARATION Continues!** Please continue to pray for those who are preparing for First Reconciliation, Holy Communion & Confirmation. As they continue their FAITH journey in Jesus, may they be filled with His knowledge, wisdom and grace.



#### Can you help at the... EASTER VIGIL RECEPTION

The Easter Vigil and the reception following, is an opportunity to share with each other the Joy of the risen Lord and to welcome our newly received Catholics into the parish family. **We need helping hands...** 

- to provide 'finger food' baked goods, veggies, sandwiches, etc. (drop off in parish the hall on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.)
- $\cdot$  Serve during the reception &

 $\cdot$  Clean up later..

Call Georgina Abrego at 905 822 1171 ext. 2225. *Share your Easter Joy.... by serving!* 

#### Lenten food drive - (April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>).



THE COMPASS Help for Today Hope for Tomorrow

The most needed items are Toilet paper, Tuna, Pasta Sauce & Pasta, Canned Soup and Canned Fruit. Monetary contributions can also be made by placing a properly marked "The Compass" envelope in the collection basket. Tax receipts are given for all donations over \$20.

#### **New Beginnings**

We minister to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or bereavement. **Check the Bulletin Board for more info. or** contact: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, MACP, RP (Qualifying) alimanni@cfstoronto.com at (647) 215-3978.

Register at: <u>https://nbbd0325.eventbrite.ca</u> Catholic Family Services of Toronto 1155 Yonge St., Suite 200 Toronto, ON M4T 1W2 (416) 921-1163 <u>www.cfstoronto.com</u>.

#### A Heartfelt Thank you!

Greg and Cecilia Zilli, who has graciously donated their baby grand piano to St. Christopher's Parish. It will certainly enhance our worship and enjoyment of music.

#### Prayer Requests:

For those who are sick: Maria Oliveira For those who died: Maria Sigal May her soul Rest in Peace.



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