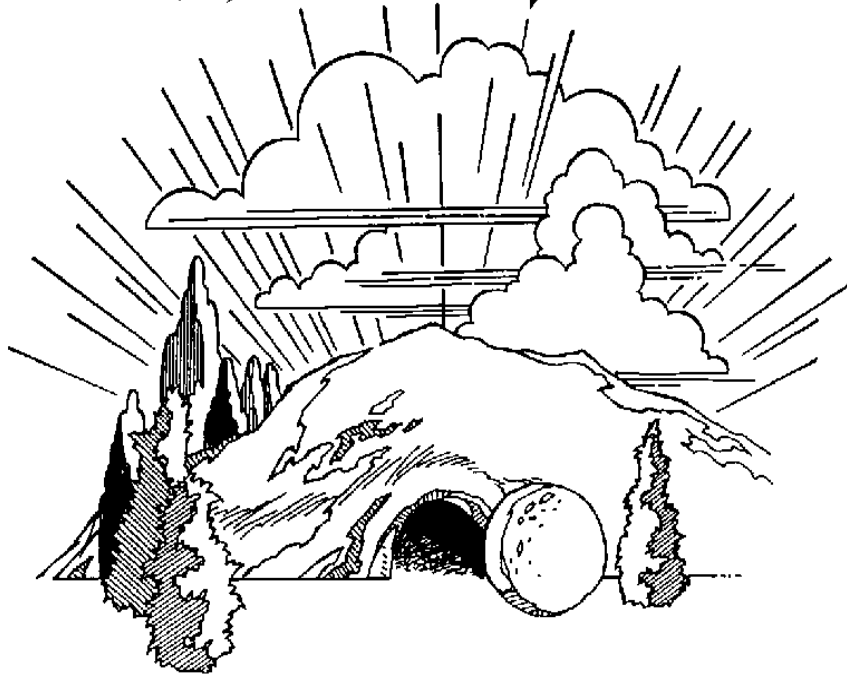


Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!



Easter Bulletin
April 12, 2009



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LITURGY SCHEDULE - Apr 13 - 19

Monday: 9:00am - Mass
Tuesday: 6:30pm - Mass (CWL Mtg. to follow)
Wednesday: 9:00 am - Mass
Thursday: 11:00am - Liturgy at the Bulkley Lodge
Friday: 9:00am - Mass
Saturday: 7:00pm - Liturgy of the Word
Sunday: 9:00am - Mass

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY APRIL 18TH, 2009

Liturgy of the Word

President: T.B.A.

Lector 1: Patty Spicer

Lector 2: Moira McMillan

Eucharistic Ministers :

Tina Gemmell Nick Sikkes

David Hemenway

Greeters: Kellie W, Sid & Margaret S

Coffee/Juice: Greeters

Altar Servers: CR. Patty M. Aimee
C. Nolan



Mass Intentions

APRIL:

14th - 16th +Cecilia Garcia, RIP
17th - +Cecilia Garcia, RIP
 +Vincenzo Napoli, RIP
18th - +Cecilia Garcia, RIP
19th - +Cecilia Garcia, RIP
 +Concetta & Michelangelo Sia

SUNDAY APRIL 19TH, 2009

Lector 1: Johanna Habjan

Lector 2: Mabel Hicks

Eucharistic Ministers:

Mary Stroet Theo Sikkes

Carol deGelder Bob Bresser

Nicki Pederson Clara Moore

Greeters: Eileen Bouvier, Wayne & Andrea C

Coffee/Juice: Greeters

Altar Servers: CR. Dylan M. Darcy
C. Nadine

Children's Lit. Trent, Ty

REFUGEE UPDATE

Dear Friends;

The sponsorship agreement holder was recently in communication with the refugee family we have requested to sponsor. That family will be processed through the Canadian Embassy Office in Nairobi, Kenya. That office has a large back log of applications and a quota of 900 per year, so all applicants are being advised that there is a 50 month processing time for an interview with the Canadian Authorities in the Nairobi Visa department. A letter has been sent to the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration to protest this unreasonably long processing period, asking him to do something to speed up the process. In the meantime thank you for your tremendous generosity, your patience, and your ongoing hope and prayer. Happy Easter!



Your Refugee Committee

Easter 2009

Our Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph's and St. Anthony's Parish,

The Lord is Risen, Alleluia!

Today we celebrate the great event in the History of our Salvation, our Lord Jesus Christ, the one who was crucified, died and was buried is now risen from the dead. We read the word from the Scripture: "*Do not be alarmed...He has been raised*" (cf. Mk. 16:6). Faith is the ultimate respond that is expected of us. It is the same belief that we are asked to renew this joyful Easter day!

It is with the joy of Easter that I would like to express to you my sincere gratitude and appreciation for all your involvement and active participation in the life of the parish. We had several activities [*Last Bash before the Ash with Burning of Palms, Ash Wednesday Masses, Stations of the Cross, Praying of the Rosary, Rite of Election, Celebration of Chrism Mass in Prince George with the Bishop, Parish Lenten Reconciliation Services, Choir Practice for Easter, Easter Triduum*] within the Lenten Season which were greatly received by many of you. I thank you sincerely and encourage you to continue being faithful in your discipleship.

In a special way I welcome and give greetings of Peace to our sisters and brothers [*James Fallows, Dan Ford, Brendan Gamble, Chloe Gamble, Rachael Lecher, Carol Meeuwissen, Opal Thompson*] who are newly initiated in the Catholic Faith, also those who are now in full communion with us [*Karin Koppitz & Erica West*]. May you all feel welcome into our community of faith by means of our constant support and inspiration to you. Thanks to all those who took part in preparing them.

My dear parishioners, this Easter Season also marks my first year anniversary of ministering to you. I thank the Lord for giving me the grace to serve you and be part of this community. I thank you for all your gesture of welcome and acceptance, support and encouragement in my ministry. I pray for all of us in our respective ministries. May we continue to work in collaboration with each other in building up the Kingdom of God here on earth.

Sisters and brothers in faith, whatever situation we find ourselves today, we cannot deny the fact that the Lord is truly risen and He lives amongst us. Let us all be attentive to His presence. Once we recognize Him, we are invited to become apostles of peace, messengers of a joy that does not fear pain – the joy of Resurrection (cf. *Pope Benedict's Message*).

I hope and pray that every one of you will receive all the blessings that Easter brings to us. Let us pray that all people may come to know Christ and acknowledge Him as Lord and Savior. We pray that the world will praise God and bear witness to His LOVE.

Happy Easter to one and all! A happy renewal of our Baptismal faith!

With my Easter Blessings,

Fr. Rectorino M. Tolentino, Jr.

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

St. Anthony's Parish

Pastor:
Fr. Rectorino Tolentino, Jr

THURSDAY APRIL 16, 2009

Mass at 2:00pm

Intention????

Box 819
(2001 Riverbank)
Houston, BC V0J 1Z0
Office: (250) 845-2841 Residence: (250) 845-2877

Pastoral Assistant::
Detta Smith

SUNDAY APRIL 19, 2009

Mass at 12:30pm

Intention: Kirsten, Ejler, Zachary (birthdays)

LECTORS: 1. Vic James 2. Gail James
EMCs: Garry and JoAnn Beaudette
ALTAR SERVERS:+ Jonathon B/C Malerie C Cole
GREETERS: Claudine Ketchell

DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY APRIL 5

24 envelopes	\$ 870.00	Holy Childhood	\$ 3.16
loose	\$ 25.00	Elevator Fund (5 envelopes)	\$240.00
TOTAL	\$895.00	Development and Peace to date	\$250.00



ELEVATOR FUND:

We need to raise \$104,000.00

To date we have raised **\$93,377.97** including Fund Raising, Donations & Grants.

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

April 13 to 18 Tammy, Cole, Keisha

COLLECTION COUNTERS

April 19 Adrian

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THE EASTER SEASON

The Easter Season is one great feast that lasts for FIFTY days!!!

One week is not long enough.....A week of weeks is not long enough....

It is one great Sunday extending from the Easter Vigil to Pentecost!!

The principle decoration in our Sanctuary is the Paschal Candle which is placed near the Table of the Word (the Ambo/Lectern) where it illumines the pages of Scripture. During the Easter Season, the Paschal Candle replaces the Gospel Candles and will be lit for all liturgical celebrations.

The Paschal Candle is a sign/symbol of the **Light of Christ** and the **Fire of the Spirit**.

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PRAYER COMPANIONS: ISABELLE GRELSON, and MADALYN SLANEY have begun their journey toward Full Initiation into the Catholic Church. They will celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist on Wednesday May 6. As members of their Parish Family, our role is to prayerfully support these individuals on their journey. If you would like to be a Prayer Companion for one of these young people and her family, please take a name card from the envelope on the display in the Entrance Way.

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To accommodate Fr. Rector's schedule on Sunday April 19, 2009, Mass will be celebrated at 12:30pm.

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CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC DIOCESAN CONFERENCE - Terrace BC

April 24 and 25, 2009

Theme: "Called into Light"

For more information you may call Anita (250 635 6451)



PARISH PASTORAL / FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY April 16 at 7pm

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Crucifixes, Rosaries, Rosary Cases, Visor Clips, Holy Medals, chains, Bibles etc. are available for purchase from the display case. If you are looking for something in particular, please see Detta. Catalogues are available.