



April 4, 2021 EASTER SUNDAY

Mon., April 5 th	12:10 pm	Mass of Easter Monday
Tues., April 6 th	9:00 am	Tuesday Mass in the Easter Octave
	6:00 pm	R.C.I.A. Meeting Cancelled (<i>Easter break</i>)
Wed., April 7 th	9:00 am	Wednesday Mass in the Easter Octave
Thurs., April 8 th	9:00 am	Thursday Mass in the Easter Octave
Fri., April 9 th	9:00 am	Friday Mass in the Easter Octave
Sat., April 10 th	5:00 pm	Divine Mercy Sunday Mass
Sun., April 11 th	8:30 am	Divine Mercy Sunday Mass
	10:30 am	Divine Mercy Sunday Mass

A Happy Easter to All!
 May the bright dawn of Jesus' Resurrection, after the suffering and the darkness of Good Friday, inspire each one of us and fill us with new hope and new life as we gradually emerge from this uncertain time of world-wide pandemic!
Your Cathedral Pastoral Team & Staff



 **Bishop's Schedule**
 April 17 & 18
 Cathedral Masses

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation date/time is Sunday, May 23rd at 1:00 pm. Candidates are asked to attend only 1 meeting/rehearsal in the church on Thursday, May 20th at 7pm. If you haven't already registered, call 622-5389



FIRST COMMUNION

 1. "Zoom" Preparation this year;
 2. The First Communion will take place on Sunday, June, 6th, 2021 at 1 pm
 3. Those who have already registered at their school will receive a letter from the Team regarding the Zoom schedule.
 4. If your child has not yet registered please call our Parish Office at 622-5389.

DIVINE MERCY WEEKEND: April 10/11

Access a special video presentation from the Divine Mercy National Shrine. Visit our Parish Website and click on the "Upcoming Events & News" tab.

THIS PAST WEEK'S DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

Donations (<i>mailed or delivered to the Church or Office</i>)	\$ 5,168.10
Online Donations (<i>week of Mar. 21-28</i>).....	500.00
"Share Lent" Collection (<i>more</i>)	390.00
Other Collections (<i>more</i>)	45.00
Donations for Sacraments	40.00
Votive Candles	45.00
St. Anthony's Poor Fund	10.15
"Friends of the Cathedral"	300.00

FUNERALS IN CHURCH

Bishop Colli has informed us that for a funeral in Church the Bereavement Authority of Ontario allows for 15% capacity but only to a total maximum of 50 persons.

Please note that our Annual Spiritual and Financial Parish Reports for 2020 will be published next weekend. I thank all who have continued to support our Parish in so many different ways during these times of closures and lock downs.
Msgr. Pat Stilla.

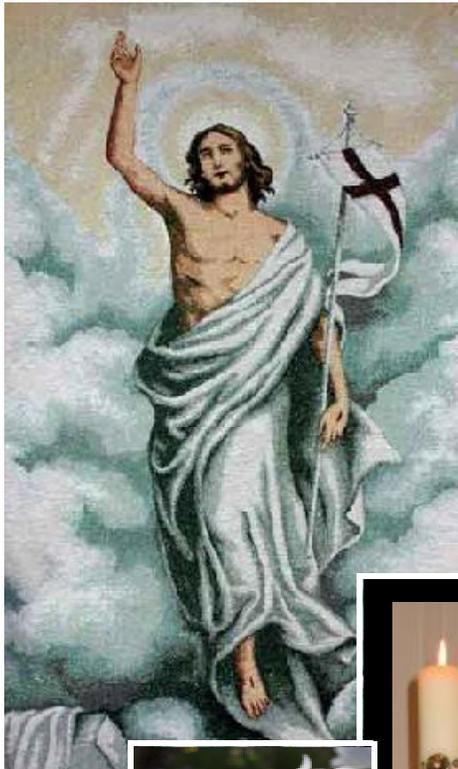
+++ CATHOLIC & SECULAR SYMBOLS OF EASTER +++

The Easter Ensign/Banner
Icons and paintings almost always depict the "Risen Christ" or "The Lamb of God" holding a white stylized banner with a plain red cross on it. The vertical arm of the cross

is elongated to extend into the tail of the banner. White represents the purity of Faith and the red of the cross symbolizes the blood of Jesus shed for us.

Paschal Candle
This largest of Church candles, which is blessed and lighted during the Easter Vigil, represents the Risen Christ, our eternal Light, Who is present in our midst.

Just like the Old Testament 'pillar of fire' which led Moses and the Israelites to freedom through the Red Sea, so, this Easter Light leads us to freedom from sin, and into our own promised land of Paradise.
Easter Eggs
Most of us are familiar with the beautifully coloured eggs which are traditionally decorated by Ukrainians, Russians and Eastern Europeans to celebrate Easter each year.



In Southern Europe and in Latin countries, eggs are also coloured or left plain and then baked into cakes and breads of all kinds. Of course, in North America eggs at Easter are also popular but children here, prefer very large ones made of candy or chocolate. The symbolism is the same for Christians in all cultures: just as new life emerges from eggs, so Jesus' new resurrected life emerged from the tomb.

Lillies & Bonnets
the word, "Easter", derives from an old English word for the *spring season*. For this reason, in English speaking nations, Easter bonnets, lillies and flowers of all kinds which represent springtime are popular Easter symbols.

The Passover Connection
Since Jesus' Resurrection took place during the time of Jewish Passover, Easter has a Passover connection, too. This is why for some, the word for Easter means, "Passover": i.e. 'Pâques', in French, 'Pasqua', in Italian, in Dutch, 'Pasen', and in Spanish, 'Pascua'.



Upcoming Events Planned

- ◆ Diocesan Council is hosting an online rosary, to pray for Essential Workers, on March 31, 2021 at 7 pm EDST.
- ◆ On April 6, St Mary's CWL council in Fort Frances will lead us in an Easter Celebration.
- ◆ Our next CWL gathering will take place via "Zoom" on: April 11, 2021 at 2:00 pm

The connection information for all these events can be accessed on our Parish website on the 'C.W.L./K.C./Men's Group' page.

Membership Reminders

- ◆ If you are a family member or close friend of one of our special 'long time members' of the League and know that your loved one is no longer able to attend church, have you considered honouring her by paying the annual dues of \$25 for her. *What a priceless gift!*
- ◆ If you haven't already done so, please renew your 2021 League Membership. Place the \$25. dues' amount in an envelope and deliver it to the Church or Parish Office. For questions call: Joan Joubert – 622-4754.



Columbus Centre Take-Out
Thursdays, April 8 & 22
Pick up 2 – 5:30 p.m.
(Spaghetti & Meatballs)

Click on the "K.C." tab on this website for more information about Council 1447 Events.