

# St. Gertrude's Parish

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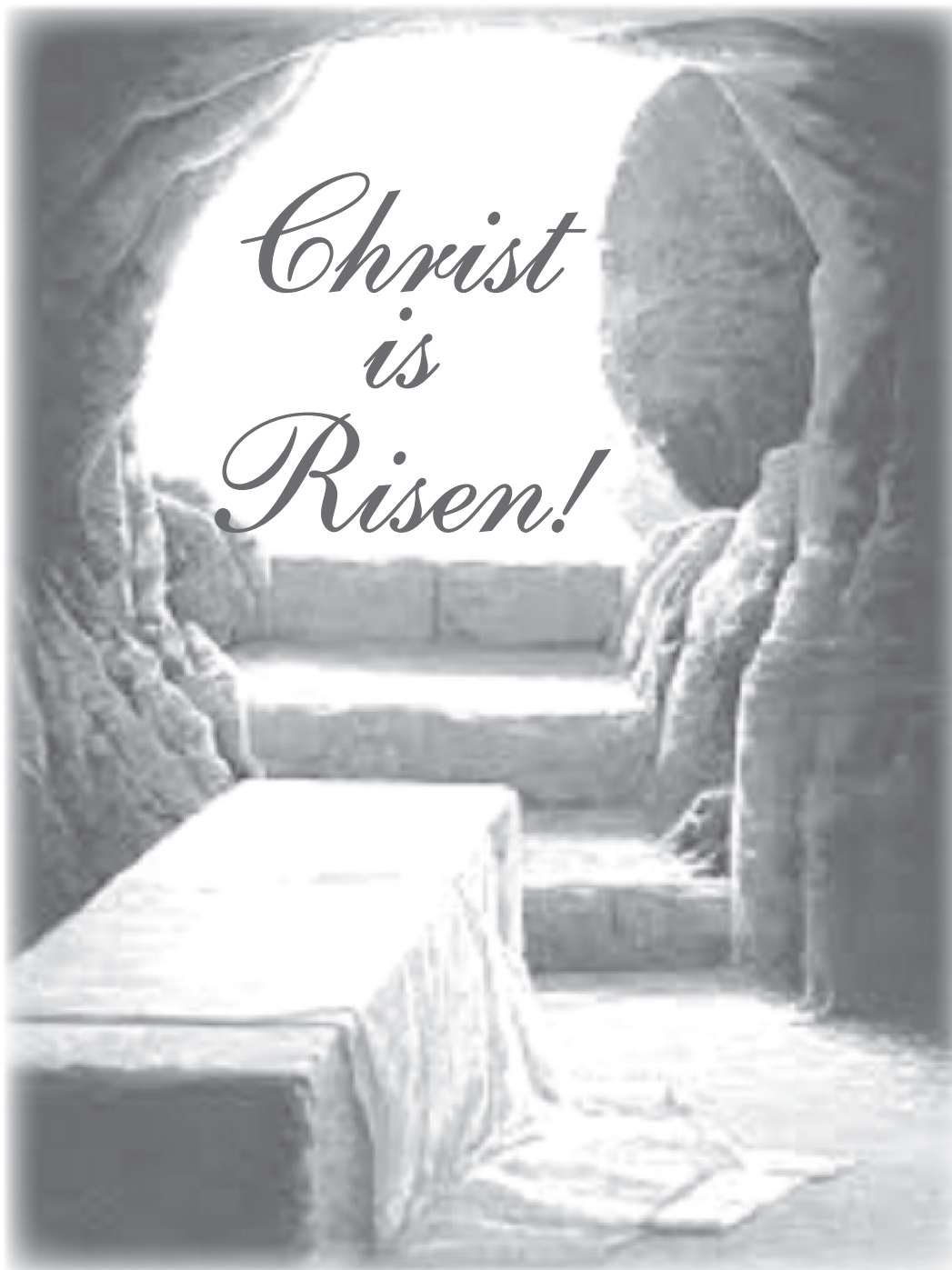
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MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Intentions of Maureen McAvoy

**Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am For the Parish Community

**Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am + Severino Pulla

**Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am For the Souls in Purgatory  
Living & Deceased members of the  
Hughes & McConville Families

**Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**

12:10pm + Ted Yarmel

**Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am + Neil Brown

5:00pm + Daniel & Margaret Jelliman

**Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

9am For Our Parish Community

11am + Fernando Sigua

+ Mieczyslaw Lukomski

+ Mario Veltri

6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

**The parish office is closed Easter Monday**



An Easter Prayer

Heavenly Father and Creator of all,  
We no longer look for Jesus Among the dead,  
For He is alive and Has become the Lord of life.  
From the waters of death You raise us with Him;  
Renew your gift of life within us.  
Help us to grow as Your people  
That we may know You completely  
And come to share in Your glory.  
Free us from seeking after the passing  
Things in life, that we may set our hearts  
On the kingdom of heaven.  
Watch over us, Lord,  
And make us worthy of Your love.  
Amen



**Jesus,  
I Trust In You!**

***DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR***

*April 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 – 3:30pm*

*Benediction, Chaplet*

*A Divine Mercy Prayer*

**Most Merciful Jesus,  
Whose very nature it is  
To have compassion on us  
And to forgive us,  
Do not look upon our sins  
But upon our trust which  
We place in Your Infinite goodness.  
Receive us all into the abode of  
Your Most Compassionate Heart,  
And never let us escape from it.  
We beg this of You by Your love  
Which unites You to the  
Father and the Holy Spirit  
Amen**

**CWL NEWS**

**Next meeting: Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup>**

Rosary at 6:15pm.

Meeting 7:00pm with guest Alys (Regional Chair)

7:30pm special presentation as listed below:

**The Alzheimer Society of Durham Region  
will be presenting:**

**Dementia Friendly Community Training**

All parishioners and friends are invited to this free presentation. Refreshments available following the presentation.



**Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall 9:30-3pm**

Calling all Cooks! Donations of wrapped baked goods are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off on the Friday afternoon prior between 1-3pm. Please contact Linda Butler with any inquiries regarding donations or table rentals. 905-728-8511



**Dear Brother's & Sisters In Christ  
of St. Gertrude's Parish**

Thankful in every way we get to celebrate in person with greater freedom the incredible concrete sign of God's love for us in the Paschal Mystery.

His triumph over SIN and its consequence – death and our only real substantial hope of eternal life and happiness.

We have such an amazing God whose love, we hope and pray, we will spend Heaven plumbing its depth and never reaching bottom. Thank you Lord.

**Happy Easter and Blessings to you, one and All.**

**Fr. Michael**

Check out the profound response of Jim Caviezel to Mel Gibson regarding playing the role of Jesus Christ in the movie and the impact it has had on his life, a true testimony

**PASSION OF CHRIST MOVIE:**

“Mel Gibson warned actor Jim Caviezel that playing the character of Christ was going to be very difficult and that if he accepted, he most likely would be marginalized by Hollywood. Caviezel asked for a day to think about it and his response to Mel who was funding and directing the movie was: "I think we have to make it, even if it is difficult." And something else, my initials are J.C., and I am 33 years old. "I didn't realize that until now." Mel responded with “You're really scaring me you know.” During filming, Jim Caviezel who plays the part of Jesus lost 45 pounds, he was struck by lightning, he was accidentally struck twice during the scourging scene leaving a deep 14-inch scar, he dislocated his shoulder when the cross was dropped into the hole with him on the cross. He then suffered pneumonia and hypothermia from being nearly naked with only a loin cloth on the cross for endless hours. The crucifixion scene alone took 5 weeks of the 2 months of shooting.

His body was so stressed and exhausted from playing the role that he had to undergo two open heart surgeries after the filming production.

Jim explained, “I didn't want people to see me. I just want them to see Jesus. Conversions will happen through that.”

Almost like a clairvoyant prediction many amazing things happened.

Pedro Sarubbi, who played Barabbas, felt that it was not Caviezel who was looking at him, but Jesus Christ himself, as he played that role he said of Caviezel, “His eyes had no hatred or resentment towards me, only mercy and love.”

Luca Lionello, the artist who played Judas, was an avowed atheist before shooting began. He eventually converted, and baptized his children.

One of the main technicians working on the film was a Muslim converted to Christianity.

Some producers said they saw actors dressed in white they didn't recognize during one of the filming sessions, and when they reviewed the recordings they realized they couldn't see them in that footage.

The Passion of the Christ is the highest grossing US religious as well as the highest R-rated film of all time, with \$370.8 million! Worldwide, it grossed \$611 million.

More importantly, it has reached 100's of millions of people around the world.

Mel Gibson paid \$30 million out of his own pocket for the production of the film because no studio would take on the project.

Today Jim Caviezel simply and boldly proclaims his faith in Christ, and the miracle it was for him to represent Christ as an actor and a greater believer of Christ because of this experience.

**Knights of Columbus General Meeting**

April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the parish hall.

The Executive will meet at 6:45pm in the tea room.

**Archbishop of Toronto.**

Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome for Bishop Frank Leo taking place Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Pickering – 7 p.m. A reception will follow.



**Save the date!**

**St. Gertrude's 8<sup>th</sup> Golf Tournament  
Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>**

Mark your calendars! Come to our FUN Golf Tournament and BBQ Dinner on July 6<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds from the tournament will go to retrofitting the fire suppressant system in our Parish Hall Kitchen so we can move the stoves back and cook in there again! Stay tuned - More details to come!!

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