

# CANADIAN MARTYRS CHURCH



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Weekday Masses		Weekend Masses	
Tuesday	9:00am	Saturday	5:00pm
Thursday	9:00am	Sunday	12:30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation First Thursday: 9:30am to 10:00am    Saturday 4:00pm to 4:30pm For any other day: by appointment only			
<b>Baptism:</b> By appointment and after an interview with the parents.			
<b>Marriage:</b> Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor one year in advance.			
<b>Care of the sick:</b> Please call the parish to request visitation of the sick or elderly for prayers, Holy Communion, Sacrament of the Sick.			
<b>New Parishioners:</b> Registration Form is available in the vestibule of the church, in the parish office or on the website.			
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**Daily Mass Readings for Sunday, 19 April 2026  
Third Sunday of Easter**

**First Reading:** Acts 2.14, 22b-28  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-8,9-10,11  
**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 1.17-21 **Alleluia:** Luke 24:32  
**Gospel:** Luke 24:13-35 – The Road to Emmaus

**MASS INTENTIONS**

April	Mas Intention	Requested by
20, Mon – 9am	NO MASS	
21, Tue - 9am	For all parishioners & visitor	
22, Wed – 9am	HOLY CROSS	
23,Thurs – 9am	Thanksgiving Birthday – Mikael Santos	Myrna Ramos
24, Fri – 9am	HOLY CROSS	
25, Sat – 5pm	For all parishioners & visitor	
26,Sun - 12:30pm	For all parishioners & visitor	



***Sharing our Burning Hearts***

In today’s Gospel we reflect on the Road to Emmaus. As the two disciples walk along, Jesus appears and breaks open the scriptures and breaks bread with them. This same structure is what we experience at Mass with the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Reflecting on their walk with Christ, the disciples were profoundly touched, exclaiming “were not our hearts burning within us?” So too, when we partake in Mass our hearts should burn within us from the glory and love of God. But what should we do with this burning? The disciples rushed back to the others in Jerusalem “that same hour” and proclaimed that the Lord is risen. They learned more about their faith and went in haste to share the good news and support the other believers. Likewise, after growing in our faith and being strengthened at Mass we should support the believers in our parish community by giving of our time and talent. As stewards of Christ we should not delay in sharing our gifts from God with others but seek to help immediately. This Easter season, let us decide to renew our commitment to our parish by joining various ministries to help the good news of the resurrection be proclaimed. The Church needs us to be sharers of God’s gifts. St Peter in his first letter says “as each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied

grace” (1 Peter 4:10). Let us end by asking ourselves, how well do we cultivate our gifts and aid the spread of the Gospel? Summary Just like the disciples from the Gospel, our hearts should burn within us from the presence and love of God that we experience in Mass. The disciples rushed back to the others in Jerusalem “that same hour” and proclaimed that the Lord is risen. Likewise, after being strengthened at Mass we should support the believers in our parish community by giving of our time and talent. <https://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship>

**Prayer:**

Risen Lord, walk with us as You did on the road to Emmaus. When we cannot see You, stay near and open our hearts to Your truth. In the breaking of the bread, reveal Yourself to us, and set our heart on fire with Your presence. Give us the courage to rise and share the joy of knowing You are alive. Amen.



**With Grateful Hearts**

During Lent and now in this Easter season, we are reminded that we do not walk alone. Just like on the road to Emmaus, there are people in our lives who walk beside us—listening, supporting, and helping us carry our burdens.

In quiet ways, through simple words, kind actions, and patient presence, they reflect love and bring light into our journey. Even when we don’t always notice it, their care helps us grow, heal, and keep moving forward.

As we continue in the joy of Easter, we give thanks for the people who journey with us in faith. We are grateful to Fr. Nabine Djore for his faithful “yes” to the Lord’s call, and to Bro. Joseph Desmond for generously sharing his time and talents in service during the Mass. We also thank the choirs and lectors, altar servers for their dedication, effort, and quiet sacrifices, as well as the volunteers who lovingly care for our church and community through their service.

In a special way, we are grateful for Fr. Claudio, our pastor, whose guidance, compassion, and example continue to lead us in our spiritual journey.

May we grow in recognizing their goodness, appreciating them more deeply, and striving to become the same source of kindness and support for others.

We would also like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks to Couples for Christ (CFC) for organizing, as well as to all the parishioners and visitors who supported the Coffee and Donut event last Sunday. Your generosity is a great help to our church. May the good Lord bless you abundantly. In gratitude, we continue the journey together.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**First Communion at Holy Cross**



As our parish prepares for the upcoming First Holy Communion celebration on Sunday, April 26, 2026 at 2:00 PM at HC, we humbly ask for your prayers and support for all our candidates.

Bless all First Holy Communion candidates as they prepare to receive Your Son in the Eucharist. Fill their hearts with faith, joy, and love for You. Guide them always in Your light, and keep them close to You in every step of their lives.

We also humbly ask for your prayers for their families, the catechists, and all the volunteers who lovingly guide and support them in their spiritual journey. Your prayers and support mean so much to us and are deeply appreciated.

**Share Life Collection Dates**



**March 22 | April 26 | May 31 2026**

Kindly make your gift at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or directly at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate).

**Financial Report**

<b>March</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Offertory	\$ 6,157.60
Building Funds	\$ 1,314.00
Votive Candles	\$ 575.30
Sharelife	\$ 2,691.30
Easter Sunday	\$ 1,415.00
Holy thursday	\$ 480.00
Good Friday	\$ 642.00

**Canadian Martyrs Upcoming Schedules**

April 26	2:00 pm	First Holy Communion at Holy Cross Church
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