

APRIL 17, 2022: Easter Sunday

*“Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has been raised . . . ”
The women were Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary the Mother of James . . . Luke 24:1-12*

Mary of Magdalene in our midst . . .

It's just after two in the morning. Her shift ended at 11, but she's still on the floor. One of her patients is on her way to God. The woman's son is on his way, but her condition is worsening. She refuses to let the woman die alone. So she stays, making sure she's comfortable, assuring her that everything is OK, wiping her brow and neck, holding her hand. Easter dawns this morning because a nurse's Mary Magdalene-like compassion overcomes her exhaustion.

She saw herself in this young woman. They met at a support group for women who have been sexually assaulted. Before long, she became a mentor to the young woman, a college junior. She spent hours with her, listening and supporting her as well as sharing her own struggles to come to grips with what happened to her. She gave the girl her phone number, and the younger woman trusted her enough to call when she was feeling overwhelmed or depressed. After some time, the student was able to put the pieces of her life back together and get beyond the self-doubt, fear and inability to trust. Her “resurrection” was possible because of a wise and caring Mary Magdalene would not let the “stone” get in her way.

She's understandably anxious. She's never done anything like this. She's been warned that things could get ugly and even dangerous. But kids — including her own — are at risk. So she's joined a group of moms planning to march through their town to call attention to the violence and racism that's destroying their community. So, arm in arm, they march for their children and their families. Fear is no match for a Mary Magdalene's love.

These women are the Mary Magdalenes in our midst: the under-appreciated and often surprising messengers of the “good news” that Christ has risen. The same compassion that brings Mary to the tomb on Easter morning enables these “Magdalenes” to give of their time to move the boulders that seal others in tombs of fear and hopelessness, to assure all of us that Christ goes ahead to meet us, that the promise of resurrection is ours — and because her compassion will not yield to her grief and hopelessness, Mary becomes the “apostle to the apostles” who announces to the world the first proclamation of Jesus’ resurrection. When compassion moves us to act in the wake of despair, when a commitment to justice overcomes fear to transform Good Friday into Easter morning, when hope refuses to let us give up on the lost and rejected, we mirror the spirit of Mary of Magdala, the devoted disciple of Jesus. In this Easter season, may the Mary Magdalenes in our lives inspire us to proclaim by our selfless generosity and works of reconciliation the good news of Jesus’ empty tomb.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ

Parish Information

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Mass During Week: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm.
Friday at 10 am.

Daily mass is cancelled any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

Lohnes Complex First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex, ***closed to public.***

Bible Study: Sunday April 24th at 7 pm.
Holy Hour of Adoration: Discontinued until further notice.

Reconciliation: By request.

Marriages: Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

Family Connections: At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.

St. Vincent de Paul: To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS

April 9th -10th, 2022

Regular Sunday	\$2,223.00
Building Fund	205.00
Lenten Folders	215.00
Development & Peace - Ukraine	105.00
Parish Dues	150.00
Envelope Cost Contributions	10.00
Votive Candles	25.00
Catholic Missions in Canada	50.00
Good Friday	10.00
St. Vincent de Paul	50.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. 7 pm	Deceased members of the Joyce Family
Wed. 7 pm	Late Gus & Irene Rumboldt
Thu. 7 pm	Late Laura Wells
Fri. 10 am	Late Bernadette Pike
Sat. 4:30 pm	Late Doris Moore
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

EASTER THANKS:

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Easter services. A special thank you to the musicians, cantors, service, sacristans and all others who helped with the Easter services. A thank you as well to those who have helped me throughout this past year. Your support, your prayers, and your friendship have helped me grow in faith. Happy Easter.



THANK YOU: Thank you to everyone who took part in the Holy Week cleaning of the church. Your work is greatly appreciated.

DIVINE MERCY HOUR AND BENEDICTION:

SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH : In the year 1937, Jesus appeared to a polish nun, St. Faustina. He told her that she was to be used as His instrument to spread His divine mercy to the world. He also told her that the world would be given a special grace on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Sunday following Easter Sunday. Please note a celebration marking this special Sunday will take place on Sunday, April 24th at 3:00 pm at All Hallows Church with Bishop Bart Van Roijen presiding.

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE: The Canadian Council of Churches (CCC), in collaboration with the Canadian Bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic and Ukrainian Orthodox Churches, has issued an invitation to Christians in Canada to pray for peace in Ukraine and to ring church bells, at noon (local time) on April 24 . Our parish will be taking part in this initiative after Sunday morning mass that day.

CARITAS UKRAINE TRAGEDY IN MARIUPOL

(Update from Patricia WalshWarren): I write to share with you the sad news of the loss of two Caritas Ukraine Staff members in Mariupol. Two female staff members and five of their family members were victims when a Russian Tank fired shots at the Caritas center in Mariupol. The attack happened on March 15, but news of the attack is just coming to light in the last 24 hours. Communication from the area has been limited and difficult throughout the conflict. Development and Peace, as part of the Caritas Internationalis Network, shares the pain of our members of Caritas Ukraine. We ask that you continue to share prayer for an end to this conflict and for the sacrifice of the humanitarian workers and their families. Thank you for your parish efforts for the people of Ukraine

SSVP: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes all parishes a very Happy Easter. We are thankful for the continuous support you lend to help those in need. Our next regular meeting will be held in the basement of the Cathedral on Wednesday, April 20th, at 7 PM. New members are welcome. As you do your Spring clean-up, please remember that we are in dire need of mattresses, tables and chairs, sofas and living room chairs. We will gladly pick up any household material that is in good condition. **Also, the 23rd and 24th of April is the last weekend of the month and we will be taking up the Poor Box Collection at all Masses.** We look forward to your continued support. God's blessing on all of you.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - SHARE LENT:

Development and Peace - Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the People and Planet First campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, up to this point our parish collected \$1385.00 as Help for Ukraine. Development & Peace will continue to support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, and Ukraine. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL 2022:

For health care workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

KITCHEN PARTY: Sponsored by Holy Redeemer Parish; Friday, April 29, 2022, beginning at 8:00 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion. Music by The Griffins and Woody & the Peckers. Bar and dance. Tickets \$10.00; available at the Parish Office, or info.hrp@nl.rogers.com and at the Door.

VARIETY CONCERT: Our parish will be having a Variety Concert on MAY 15 at St. Mary's Anglican Church basement starting at 7:30 pm. Music by Midnight Crescent, Kyra Adey, Jim Parsons, and The Griffins. Admission is \$10.00.

PARISH BINGO: Our Bingo Draw for April will be on Sun. Apr. 24. If you don't have your entry in yet, you can still enter the draw by dropping your donation off to Pat Jones, Veronica Stone, or in Fr. Jim's mail box on or before Tue, Apr 19. Good luck!

EASTER FLOWERS: Thank you to everyone who either contributed flowers and or money to purchase flowers for Easter. The names of donors and the names for whom the flowers were donated will be in next weeks bulletin.

BISHOP O'REILLY ASSEMBLY 0624 will be meeting at All Hallows' Parish Humber Road Corner Brook in the basement at 7:45 P.M. Tuesday April 19th could Sir Knights please try to attend.

EASTER HUMOR:

- What day does an Easter egg hate the most?
Fry-day
- How do you send a letter to the Easter Bunny?
By hare- mail
- How does the Easter Bunny makes his fur look so nice?
He uses hare-spray