

# April 5, 2026 - The Resurrection of the Lord

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." Psalm 118



## Mass Schedule

Sat. April 4	7:30pm	Holy Saturday: Beverly Nadeau
Sun. April 5 (E5)	9:00am	For the People
Sun. April 5	10:30am	Sabu Joseph
Mon. April 6	No Mass	No Adoration
Tues. April 7		No Holy Hour
Tues. April 7	No Mass	
Wed. April 8	8:30am	Stephen Tysick
Thurs. April 9	8:30am	Mike Forbes
Fri. April 10	8:30am	Christine St. Jean
Sat. April 11	5:00pm	Keith Cassell
Sun. April 12 (E5)	9:00am	For the People
Sun. April 12	10:30am	Beverly Nadeau

### The Resurrection of the Lord Reflections

May you continue to experience what a relationship with God is all about as you celebrate the new life that comes from the Risen Lord Jesus. Today we solemnly celebrate the resurrection of Jesus the Christ. Our readings remind us that it is not just a historical fact that Jesus rose from the dead, but it is a life-transforming event, not only for Jesus, but also for all who believe in Him.

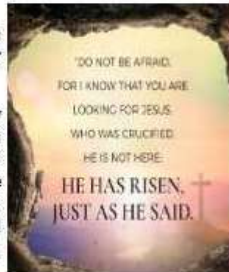
During the Easter Season, the First Reading is not from Hebrew Scriptures (the Old Testament) but from the Acts of the Apostles. We can see the effect that the resurrection of Jesus had on His followers.

The psalm that is used during Easter Week speaks about the stone rejected by the builders. This is a reference to the "Temple" that Jesus said the religious leaders would destroy, but that He would build up again in three days – the "Temple" of His body.

There is a choice of one of the two Second Readings that can be read. Both speak about the link between Jesus' death and resurrection and the life of His followers. Because Jesus died and is risen, those who believe in Him must die to sin and self-interests and rise to the new life that Jesus gives through His death and resurrection.

The Gospel relates the account of Mary Magdalen going to the tomb before the sun rose on Easter Sunday morning.

Our lives as disciples of Jesus require us to not only believe in the forgiveness and peace and salvation that come to me and others through Jesus' death and resurrection, but to be witnesses of the Risen Lord to others. We must be Easter people, Alleluia people. We must be Risen and Saved people because our Lord Jesus has died, and *is risen, as He said.*



**Prayer for the Repose of the Souls of:** Let us remember those who have recently died, especially *Aline Robert, Melchor Sison Gonzales, Debbie Shea, Vincent Stevens, Edward Bates, France Giguere, Fr. Stan Alanen, Hugh McDougall, Sabu Joseph, Beverly Nadeau, Stephen Tysick, Keith Cassell, Jean Pierre Proulx, Fr. Bill Steacy, Suzanne Johncox, Edie Cordick* and those whom we continue to hold within the silence of our minds and hearts.

**Praying for our Family & Friends:** Let us call to mind and include in our prayers, those who are in need of God's aid and grace, especially *Pat McGlade, Kathy Tysick, Elaine Black, Dan Boyle, Hubert Splinter, Svitlana Kulish, Jean Brady, Robert Stevens, Diane Lockett, Calvin Prince, Fr. Leo Bryne, Scott St. Jean, Jack McConnell, Ian Kemp, Fr. Michael McCarthy, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Don Cummings, Mary Huard, Sean Conway, Sylvain Hébert, Denis Richardson, Jennifer Hamilton*

### Upcoming Events/Meetings

- April 8** Cemetery Meeting 6pm (lower HH)
- April 8** COR Meeting 7pm
- April 9** Thursdays Ladies Luncheon Light House Café 11:30am
- April 9** CWL Executive Meeting (lower HH) 6pm
- April 12** First Communion Prep (lower HH) 11:30am
- April 12** Divine Mercy Sunday Service 3pm
- April 15** K of C 3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
- April 16** Fashion Show (upper HH) 6pm
- April 17** Healing Mass & Luncheon 11am
- April 17** Choir Practice 1:30pm
- April 18** Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving St. Mary's Cathedral 10:30am
- April 21** Broadview Mass 11am
- April 21** K of C 4th Degree Meeting 7:15pm
- April 22** Little Flowers (lower HH) 6pm
- April 23** CWL General Meeting (lower HH) 6pm
- April 28** Van Horne Mass 10:30am
- April 28** CWL Pin Presentations, following evening Mass (lower HH)

*Into the Future Candle* will be lit the week of April 6, for a **Special Intention**, requested by Lucie Cooper.

### Devotion of the Month: The Holy Eucharist The Anima Christi

*Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy Wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from Thee. From the malignant enemy, defend me. In the hour of my death, call me, And bid me come to Thee, That with Thy saints, I may praise Thee. Forever and ever. Amen.*

### Pope's Prayer Intention for April For Priests in Crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Collection Counters	Rosary Leaders
<b>April 12</b> Stella D'Souza, Melanie & Chris Poirier	<b>April 11</b> Julia Babcock <b>April 12</b> Rob Drapeau
Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>5:00pm April 11</b> Cathy Bridson Greg Hull	Pat Murphy
<b>9:00am April 12</b> Michael Ross	Cynthia Ferrier
<b>10:30am April 12</b> Pauline Aunger Grace Ritchie	Bena MacMillan

### *Easter Flower Donations*

Patricia & Raymond Chartier, Joyce and Frank Boyle, Wendell Fitchell, Thomas & Geraldine Edwards, David Latwais, Jim Canning, Chris Donovan, Terence & Teresa McWade, Ruth & Al Reynolds, Joe Murphy Sr., John Palmer, Deceased Family Members of Marilyn & Gary Mitchell, Jean Pierre Proulx, Blair Bingley, Curran Family, Traynor Family, Bernard & Catherine Merkley, Roger & Beverly Nadeau, Leslie & Gladys Wilson, Mary Gatesy, Joyce & Carl Moss, Beverly & Roger Nadeau, Monica & Pat Meagher, Mary McPhee, Mary Ivanchuck, Madeline & Frank Cauley, Jim & Jeff Hallinan, Keith Cassell, Harold & Henrica Doyle, Buchanan Family, Quattrocchi Family, Francis & Marguerite Carroll, Stephen Carroll, Jean Willows, Jerry Cordick, Keith Cassell, Cheryl Findley

### *Easter Season*

The seven weeks from Easter to Pentecost are celebrated as one great Feast Day. St. Athanasius called them "the great Sunday." "Alleluia" is sung during these days for rejoicing.

### *Adoration & Tuesday Mass*

There will be no adoration on Easter Monday, April 6 as well as no Holy Hour or Mass on Tuesday April 7.

### *Divine Mercy Sunday Service 3pm*

St. Francis de Sales will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday April 12, from 3-4pm with the Exposition and the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. During this hour, we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers, with time for personal prayers and adoration. Fr. Brian and Fr. Jacob will be available to hear your confessions. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League for hosting this celebration. St. John Paul II proclaimed a Plenary Indulgence is granted to anyone who receives the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation and recites the Prayers of Divine Mercy.

### *Healing Mass*

Are you or a loved one in need of God's peace, physical restoration, or spiritual renewal? We warmly invite you to join us for a special **Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick on Friday, April 17, 2026 at 11am.** There will be a luncheon afterwards in lower Hanley Hall. This sacred celebration is a powerful opportunity to experience the Lord's healing touch through the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Anointing. Come as you are and place your trust in Jesus, the Divine Healer. All are welcome—those suffering from illness, emotional burdens, or seeking spiritual strength.

### *Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving of the 200th Anniversary*

The faithful of St. Francis de Sales and Blessed Sacrament are cordially invited to join the Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving to offer praise and gratitude to God for the abundant blessings bestowed on our Archdiocese over the past 200 years. The Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral in Kingston on Saturday April 18, at 10:30am. There will be a celebratory luncheon immediately following Mass at Our Lady Fatima Parish Hall from 12:30pm - 2:30pm.



### *Confirmation*

Forms are available on our parish website under Sacraments. They can also be found on our weekly Flocknote. Or you can reach out to the parish office to obtain the link. Classes commence in May. The celebration will take place on Saturday, June 14, at 10:30am at St. Francis de Sales.

### *Ladies Thursday Lunch Club*

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to our "Thursday Lunch Club" on Thursday April 9, at the Lighthouse Cafe on Russell Street at 11:30am.

### *Spring Fashion Show*

The Catholic Women's League will be holding a fundraiser on Thursday April 16 at 6pm in Hanley Hall. "Step into Spring - Fashions with Flare" will be an enjoyable evening complete with desert, coffee and tea. Tickets are \$25.00 and proceeds will support Interval House and Smiths Falls Food Bank. Please see the poster on the bulletin board or Flocknote.

### *Thank You*

A big thank you to everyone who contributed time, talent and effort to make this year's Lenten Season and Holy Week Celebrations beautiful. Thank you to our sacristans, altar servers, readers, extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, musicians, decorators, cleaners and ushers fulfilled their roles beautifully. Thank you to Jim Meagher for recording these celebrations.



### *An Easter Prayer*

On this day, loving and gracious God, we once again sing Alleluia. We praise You and bless You for raising Your Son, Jesus, up from the dead. We praise You for all the times You have raised us up through Your loving grace. When we are weak and unable to make good decisions, when we are stubborn and refuse to forgive others, when we are afraid or uncertain and forget that it is You who strengthens us, raise us up, loving God, raise us up. Thank You for giving us new life in Your Son and for His presence among us this Eastertide and always. Amen.

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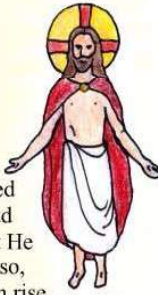
Offertory	19,727.00
Building <small>(2 donations 2,000 &amp; 10,000)</small>	18,792.00
Outreach Program	1,750.00
Easter Flowers	1,340.00
Easter	533.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>42,142.00</b>

A man was on vacation in Jerusalem with his wife and mother-in-law when the mother-in-law passed away. The undertaker told him, "It will cost \$5,000 to ship her home, but only \$150 to bury her here." The man chose to ship her home. The undertaker asked why he'd spend so much more. The man replied, "About 2,000 years ago, a man died here, was buried, and three days later he rose from the dead. I just can't take that chance!"



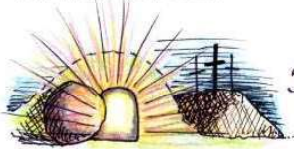
# Alleluia!

Today is the biggest feast of the year! Jesus rose from the dead on the first Easter Sunday. By rising from the dead, He showed that He was God and that everything He had said was true. It showed His followers that He wasn't gone forever- it gave them hope. Also, because He rose from the dead, now we can rise from the dead too after we die.



Imagine what it would be like to be one of Jesus' friends when He died on the cross. You were hoping that He would be the saviour that would overthrow the bad government and become the king, but now He was beaten and killed! How would you feel? What would you be doing after this horrible weekend was over? It would seem pretty hopeless, wouldn't it?

But then- some of the women come running and say that Jesus rose from the dead! Would you believe them? And then imagine that you are in the room with the other disciples with the doors locked and suddenly Jesus is standing in the room, saying, "Peace be with you!" Now what would you think?



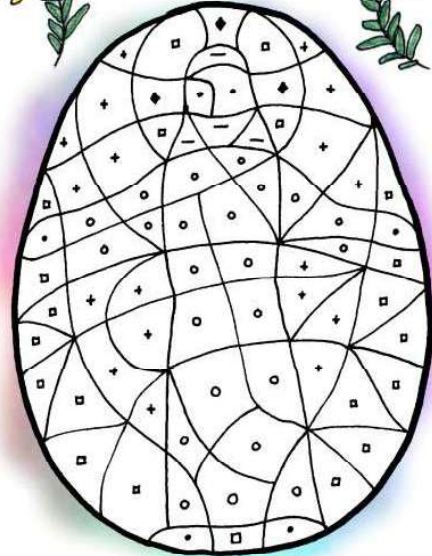
*Today is the day  
for rejoicing!*  
**JESUS IS ALIVE!**

Answers to Easter True or False:  
1. false 2. false 3. false 4. true 5. true  
6. true 7. false

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# The Kids' Bulletin

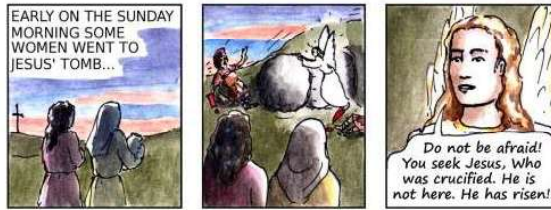
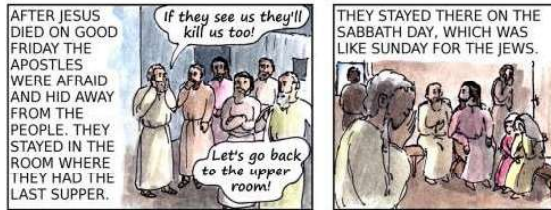
*Easter Sunday  
April 5th, 2026*



*The two men on the road to Emmaus didn't know the man who came and walked with them on Easter morning. Use the colour code below to see if you can figure out who it was!*

- ◆ Red
- + Purple
- Skin-colour
- Yellow
- Brown
- White

# Easter Sunday



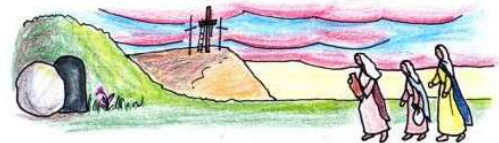
WHEN JESUS DIED ON THE CROSS HIS FOLLOWERS THOUGHT THE END HAD COME. BUT JESUS HAD DIED ON PURPOSE TO SAVE US FROM HELL! THEN HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD SO THAT WE COULD RISE FROM THE DEAD TOO. REJOICE WITH OUR LADY AND THE APOSTLES THAT JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD!

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# Easter: True or False?

*How well do you know the Easter Story?  
See if you can figure out which of these are true and which are false.*

1. After Jesus died on the Cross He was buried in a tomb for four days. True or false?
2. The first time the women went to the tomb on Easter morning, they saw Jesus' dead body in it. True or false?
3. Nobody went to Jesus' tomb until the afternoon on Easter Sunday. True or false?
4. At first when she saw Him, Mary Magdalen didn't recognize Jesus. True or false?
5. When Jesus rose from the dead, He could never die again. True or false?
6. With His resurrected body, Jesus could go through locked doors. True or false?
7. The disciples were not surprised when Jesus came back after He died, since they knew all along that was going to happen. True or false?



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>April 2026</h1>			1 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass Community Lunch 12pm HH	2 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper	3 11am Stations of the Cross 12pm Good Friday Procession 3pm Passion of our Lord	4 7:30pm Easter Vigil
5 9am Mass 10:30am Mass <i>The Resurrection of the Lord</i> 	6 No Adoration The Table Community Lunch Easter Octave	7 Easter Octave	8 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass Community Lunch 12pm HH 6pm Cemetery Meeting (lower HH) 7pm COR Meeting Easter Octave	9 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass 11:30 Thursday Ladies Luncheon at Light House Cafe 6pm CWL Executive Meeting (lower HH) Easter Octave	10 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass Easter Octave	11 4pm Confession 5pm Mass 11am-4pm Redeemer Dance Fundraiser Easter Octave
12 9am Mass 10:30am Mass 1st Communion Prep (lower) 3pm Divine Mercy Service 	13 9am-9pm Eucharistic Adoration The Table Community Lunch	14 4:30-5:30pm Holy Hour 5:30pm Mass	15 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass Community Lunch 12pm HH 7:00pm K of C 3rd D. Meeting	16 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass 6pm Fashion Show (upper HH)	17 10:30am Rosary 11am Healing Mass & Luncheon 1:30pm Choir Practice Memorial St. Kateri Tekakwitha	18 10:30am Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving, St. Mary's Cathedral 4pm Confession 5pm Mass Lanark SFC (upper HH)
19 9am Mass 10:30am Mass Third Sunday of Easter	20 9am-9pm Eucharistic Adoration The Table Community Lunch	21 11am Broadview Mass 4:30-5:30pm Holy Hour 5:30pm Mass 7:15pm K of C 4th D. Meeting	22 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass Community Lunch 12pm HH 6pm Little Flowers (lower HH)	23 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass 6pm CWL General Meeting (lower HH)	24 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass	25 4pm Confession 5pm Mass Feast St. Mark
26 9am Mass 10:30am Mass World Day of Prayer for Vocations Fourth Sunday of Easter	27 9am-9pm Eucharistic Adoration The Table Community Lunch	28 10:30am Van Horne Mass 4:30-5:30pm Holy Hour 5:30pm Mass CWL Pin Presentations (lower HH)	29 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass Community Lunch 12pm HH Memorial St. Catherine of Siena	30 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass Memorial St. Marie De L'Incarnation 		

# Step into Spring

~ Fashions with Flair ~

Michele's Strévé  
Doorway to Splendour DESIGN

Ephemeral  
CREATIVE STUDIO

April 16, 2026

Hanley Hall, Smiths Falls

Social 6pm • Showtime 6:30pm

Tickets \$25

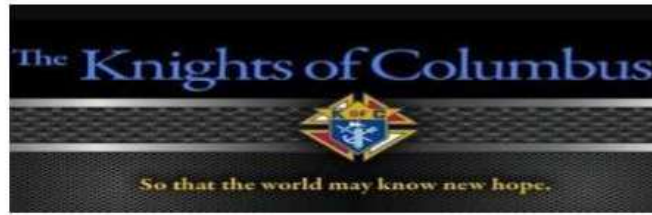
Dessert • Tea • Coffee

Proceeds to  
The Food Bank  
and  
Interval House

Presented by The Catholic Women's League

Contact Geraldine (613) 283-6116 or  
Bena (613) 229-3546 for further info





## Rideau Council 2444, Easter, 2026



The Knights of Columbus will be coordinating the Divine Mercy Service along with the Catholic Women's League from **3:00 – 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**. St. John Paul proclaimed a Plenary Indulgence is granted anyone who receives the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation and recites the Prayers of Divine Mercy. Towards that end, Father Jacob and Father Brian will be offering confession during the service and special prayer booklets will be provided.



**“The stone rolled away from an empty grave! He died and arose, our souls to save! Rejoice for in Him heavenly places were seated! Sin, hell and the grave defeated! The Lord Jesus reigns! In Him eternal life is gained! It’s a Happy resurrection Day in Him everyday! Halleluhah to the Truth, Life and Way!”-  
Veronica Knack**



***“Betcha You Can’t Eat Just One!”***

And indeed, the Knights of Columbus served eighty-four meals on March 22, at our Pancake Breakfast. The total profit was \$640.00 which will be donated to the Charitable Organizations that the Knights of Columbus support.

We would like to acknowledge the volunteer work of our main chef, John Drapeau, our event coordinator Rob Drapeau, and volunteers Pierre Chartier, Mike Young, Bert and Joanne Hendriks, Alf Rochefort, John Brohman, Will Spencer, Roy Lalonde, Peter Merkley, Patrick Hogan, Chris Kordos and Joanne Craig. Thank you as well to Mex & Co in Perth for their donation of sausages.



**Congratulations to Council 2444 for once again achieving the Columbian Award for excellence in programs for 2024-25**

**Lenten Lapel Pins**

Thank you to all who provided a good will donation in acquiring our Lenten Lapel Pins. Ninety-three pins were sold. We hope that these items assisted our fellow parishioners in their Lenten Journey. We would like to thank Alfie Coyle, Nicholas Tysick, Rob Drapeau, Pierre Chartier, and Pat Hogan for their assistance in selling these items.

A total of \$527.25 was raised and was donated to the Smiths Falls Food Bank.



Rideau Council 2444 welcomes Roy Lalonde who recently completed his Exemplification into the Knights of Columbus.



THE ONLY PRE-REQUISITE TO BECOMING A KNIGHT IS THAT YOU ARE A PRACTICING CATHOLIC! WON'T YOU PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION BY JOINING US? CONTACT ROB DRAPEAU AT [DRAPEAU@BELL.NET](mailto:DRAPEAU@BELL.NET) FOR FURTHER INFO.

**WHAT ARE YOUR KNIGHTS PLANNING FOR YOU NEXT?**

**Wed., April 8,  
7:00 p.m.**

**COR Meeting**

**Sun., April 12,  
3:00 p.m.**

Divine Mercy Service with Father Jacob and Father Brian

**Wed., April 15,  
7:00 p.m.**

**General Meeting**

**Thurs., April 30,  
7:30 p.m.**

Online Holy Rosary

Contact Chris Kordos at [CKORDOS@YAHOO.COM](mailto:CKORDOS@YAHOO.COM) to receive the online ID.



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