

# WELCOME TO ST. DAVID'S PARISH

**March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent – A –**

## Reflection

The fourth Sunday of Lent is known as “Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday,” expressing the Church’s joy in anticipation of the Resurrection of our Lord. Today’s readings remind us that it is God who both gives us proper vision in body as well as in soul and instructs us that we should be constantly on our guard against spiritual blindness.

## ShareLife Sunday

Next weekend, March 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, we kick off the 2026 ShareLife Campaign, in support of all the Catholic Social agencies of our archdiocese. A special second collection (the first of three) will be taken up at all the Masses. Many of you will have received a mailing at home, but there are also envelopes available at the church entrance. After all these years we all know how important ShareLife is to those in need. God has blessed us with so much; let us share our blessings with those who have less. (Our parish goal is \$86, 000).

## English Lenten Mission

Join us for the Lenten Series Mission beginning Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> (Intimacy with God/Self), Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> (Beatitudes- Living the Values of Jesus Today) and Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> (Discipleship), at 7:30 pm in the church with speaker Fr. Eugene O’Reilly. On the final evening (March 18), we will be having a coffee hour in the church hall. All welcome!!

## Confirmation Meeting & Test!!

You must attend this final meeting with your parents and sponsor, Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 pm. (sign in begins ½ hour before). Start studying!!

## First Communion Review & Practice

All our children are reminded to attend (with their parents) this Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm (no need to pre-register, sign in starts ½ hour before).

## Easter Food Drive

You may bring donations of gift cards for families in need to the office anytime. We are still accepting food donations (no beans or pasta is needed) which you can drop into the bins across from the office. Thank You!!

## Coins for Life Campaign

Collect coins in support for Campaign Life Coalition so that we can help protect the lives of the unborn. Bring in the coins on the Sunday after Easter.

## National March for Life

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a bus service to all our Parishioners for the National March for Life in Ottawa, on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. The bus will leave from St. David’s church at 6:15 am and leaves from Ottawa at 3:30 pm. Cost is \$50/person (students are free). To reserve a seat, call Gerry Sciara at 647-501-1173. T-Shirt and a matching cap available for purchase for a \$15 or a donation.

## Holy Week

**Palm Sunday (March 29):** usual Weekend Schedule  
(English Mass in Hall at 10:30 am)

**Holy Thursday (April 2):** Bilingual Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 8:00 pm followed by Adoration until Midnight

**Good Friday: 10:00 a.m. – Children’s Service**

**12:00 noon – Italian Service**

Followed by procession through the neighbourhood

**3:00 p.m. – English Service**

**Holy Saturday: 8:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil (Bilingual)**

**Easter Sunday:** usual Sunday Schedule

(English Mass in Hall at 10:30 a.m.)

*Thank You!*

## Huge Success!!!

Our dinner dance fundraiser was an incredible evening with fine food, dancing and community building. Everyone had a great time and we were able to raise over \$55,000, which will help with various maintenance projects we are planning to undertake at our church. Our thanks go out to Vito Lisena, Frank Giralico, Gino Romualdi, Don Ferri, Sid Tamburro, Phil Guida, Sam Raso, Marco Picotti, Domenick Lombardi, Gerry Sciara, Joe Petrolo and Claudio Celenza, for organizing the event. See you next year!!!!

## Feast of St. Joseph

This Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be a special celebration in the church in honour of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of the Universal Church and Patron Saint of Canada. We will begin at 7:00 pm with a procession in the church, followed by a Solemn Mass with the traditional blessing of St. Joseph’s bread, and ending with a coffee hour in the parish hall. Please bring cakes & cookies to share!!

## Lenten Penance Service

We have invited numerous priests for confessions on Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm.

## Passion Play 2026!!!

There will be two performances: Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm and Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00 pm. The cost is \$20 each (free for children under 13). Leaders will be available after all the Masses to sell tickets.

## Seder Supper

On Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm, we will be holding a Pot-Luck Seder in the Parish Hall. Please join us in this Christian celebration of Passover, remembering the Last Supper of Jesus and the Apostles. Please bring a dish of food to share with everyone. (No pork meat) Call the office to let us know what you plan to share.

## Totus Tuus

All children and youth of the parish are invited to join us for Totus Tuus this summer! The day program for children entering grades 1-6 in September will run from Mon., July 20<sup>th</sup> to Fri., July 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. The evening program for youth entering Grades 7-12 in Sept. will run from Sun., July 19<sup>th</sup> to Thurs., July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. For more information, please Contact Amanda Rose Scenna at 647-921-4857 or [mandarose98@gmail.com](mailto:mandarose98@gmail.com). Additional program details are available at [www.totustuutoronto.ca](http://www.totustuutoronto.ca).

# **BENVENUTI A ST. DAVID'S**

## **Quarta Domenica di Quaresima – A –**

La vita cristiana è una lenta crescita, attraverso il chiaroscuro di questo mondo, della luce ricevuta e intravista, fino e che risplenderà con pienezza il giorno del Cristo. Ciechi finalmente guariti, luci nate dalla luce, potremo allora prostrarci davanti a lui.



## **ShareLife 2026**

La prima colletta di ShareLife per quest'anno sarà domenica prossima, il 22 marzo. Troverete le buste di offerte all'entrata. Cerchiamo di aprire i nostri cuori e di fare il nostro meglio per aiutare tutte le agenzie Cattoliche di servizio ai bisognosi. (L'obiettivo della nostra parrocchia è \$86.000).

## **Missione Quaresimale Inglese**

La Missione della serie quaresimale che inizia lunedì 16 marzo, martedì 17 marzo e mercoledì 18 marzo alle 7:30 pm in chiesa con l'oratore Padre Eugene O'Reilly. L'ultima sera (18 marzo), ci sarà un caffè nella sala.

## **Festa di San Giuseppe**

Ci sarà una celebrazione speciale giovedì, 19 marzo, alle 7:00 pm in onore di S. Giuseppe, Faremo una processione in chesa, seguita da una Messa Solenne con la benedizione del pane di San Giuseppe, e concluderemo con un rinfresco in sala. Portate dolci!!

## **Confessione in Tempo di Quaresima**

Venite lunedì, 30 marzo alle 7:30 pm per fare una buona confessione Ci saranno molti sacerdoti presenti.

## **Cena degli Azzimi**

Mercoledì, 1 aprile, alle 6:30 pm si terrà la cena degli Azzimi (in sala). Venite a festeggiare insieme questo rituale nel quale si fa ricordo dell'ultima Cena di Gesù con i suoi Apostoli. Ogni famiglia è invitata a portare un piatto di cibo da condividere con gli altri partecipanti (pot-luck). (no carne di maiale). Chiamate l'ufficio per farci sapere cosa intendete condividere.

## **Raccolta di Cibo per Pasqua**

Puoi portare donazioni di buoni regalo in ufficio in qualsiasi momento. Accettiamo ancora donazioni di cibo (non servono fagioli o pasta), che puoi gettare nei cassonetti di fronte all'ufficio. Grazie.

## **Spiccioli per la Vita**

Raccogliere i vostri spiccioli per il movimento pro-vita. Questa domenica prendi una piccola scatola dopo la Messa e riportala (piena) la domenica dopo Pasqua.

## **Marcia Nazionale per la Vita a Ottawa**

Giovedì 14 maggio. Il costo è di \$50 a persona. Chiamate Gerry Sciara al 647-501-1173 per prenotare il vostro posto. Posti sono limitati.

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## **Portuguese Dinner Dance (for everyone!!)**

Our Portuguese Holy Spirit Confraternity will be hosting "Fest do Chicharro", on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, in our parish hall. Cost is \$60 for adults and \$30 for children (ages 6-12). For tickets call Jose (416) 602-8413; Fernanda (416) 417-8379 or John (416) 452-4915. (See posters for more information).



## **Saturday – Sabato March 14**

5:30 p.m. †Maria Teresa & Vincenzo Marchese  
†Rachele & Luigi De Fazio

## **Sunday – Domenica March 15**

7:30 a.m. †Jenny Azarcon

9:00 a.m. †Rodolfo & Concordio Raagas  
†Alex Fernandez

10:30 a.m. † Luciano Lisi (1 Mo) †Fernanda Pellegrini (1 Yr) †Tullio Pellegrini †Antonio e Adina Piacentini †Giovanni Liscio (1 Yr) †Giuseppe e Erminia Angeli †Maria Grosso (20 Yrs) †Carlo e Maria Melaragno †Maria Domenica Lombardi †Antonio e Giuseppina Lombardi †Luigi Tanel †Francesco Mezzatesta (1 Mo) †Antonio Cascone †Salvatore e Angela Cascone †Francesco e Felicia Facchini †Nunzio Peluso †Marco e Filomena Zenga †Alfonso Di Nardo (3 Mos) †Angela Sorgini †Corrado Russo (20 Yrs) †Costantino Maola †Cesare Radica †Anna Temos

12:00 p.m. †Maria & Michele Paiano

†Cristina & Gennaro Girardi

40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary - Frank & Tina Paiano

2:00 p.m. Baptisms

5:30 p.m. Pro Populo

## **Monday – Lunedì March 16**

7:30 a.m. In Honour of St. Carlo Acutis & St. Vito

7:30 p.m. Lenten Mission

## **Tuesday – Martedì March 17**

**St. Patrick**

7:30 a.m. In Honour of St. Joseph

7:30 p.m. Lenten Mission

## **Wednesday – Mercoledì March 18**

**St. Cyril of Jerusalem**

7:30 a.m. †Elvio Chelleri

8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 p.m. Lenten Mission

## **Thursday – Giovedì March 19**

**Feast of St. Joseph**

7:30 a.m. †Jack Ferlisi

7:00 p.m. Feast of St. Joseph Solemn Mass

## **Friday – Venerdì March 20**

7:30 a.m. †Sheelah & Patrick McGarry

†Tom & Darleen McGarry

**No Evening Mass**

7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

## **Saturday – Sabato March 21**

7:30 a.m. †Juliana Slavec

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**HAVE A GREAT WEEK!!! BUONA SETTIMANA!!!!**

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## **Baptisms - Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

\*Abigail Eloise Barbaro

\*Giordano Mario Ragucci

\*Rocky Benjamin Carter Mancini

\*Brooks Elliot Anthony Recoskie

\*Vienna Grace Manieri

\*Zachary Arvin Salido

\*Adrian David Selvaggi

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## **\*\*Good Friday Procession Route\*\***

**Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026**

Begins at St. David's Church on Saint David's Way, out to Maple Plaza.... onto Netherford Rd.... onto Church St.... east to Gram St... south to Goodman Cres... west to Netherford Rd... north to first entrance on the Maple Plaza... behind the Plaza and back to the front doors of the church.