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ON STEWARDSHIP...

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Very early in the morning after the Sabbath, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body with precious oils. The reward of this good and conscientious steward was to be among the first to know that Jesus had been raised from the dead! Alleluia

Jesus' love for us invites us to give to others, especially those most in need. ShareLife agencies continue to support the most vulnerable in our community through services that are only possible through your kind and generous donations.

CALLED TO PROCLAIM NEW LIFE

"He has been raised from the dead!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. A blessed Easter to you all!

Contact 416-968-0997 email
vocations@vocations.ca
www.vocationstoronto.ca

For information on Catholic education in our community or to reach your local school board trustee, contact the Toronto Catholic District School Board at 416-222-8282 or www.tcdsb.org.

Schools in the area:

St. Anselm	416-393-5243
Holy Cross	416-393-5242
Canadian Martyrs	416-393-5251
St. John XXIII	416-429-4000

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
- all by appointment only

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION
Have your health care team page a Catholic priest if you have a family member in hospital needing anointing of the sick.

Communion to those homebound is suspended at this time.



**"Do not be afraid...
He is not here;
for he has been raised as he said"**

Easter and Its Vision

Today, we celebrate Easter and the transforming vision associated with it. Jesus, who was dead, is risen! Alleluia! **Today, we celebrate our belief that in Jesus' death and rising, each of us has been afforded a new and happy beginning.** Because of Jesus, we have been called to live what Professor and Pastor Peter Gomes has described as "life on the other side", i.e. life on the other side of Easter.

Rabbi Harold Kushner ("Who Needs

God", 2000) has affirmed that religion is not primarily a set of beliefs, a collection of prayers or a series of rituals. **Religion is, first and foremost, a way of seeing.** It can't change the facts about the world we live in, but it can change the way we see those facts, and that in itself can often make a difference. How appropriate that Peter, in today's first reading, begins his speech at the home of Cornelius with the words, **"In truth, I begin to see that God shows no partiality"** (Acts 10:34). Living life in Christ on the other side of the Easter event, Peter had also begun to see as Jesus did, not with shades or blinders of centuries old prejudices that had once separated Jews like Peter, from Gentiles like Cornelius, but with this very vision of God, who sees all with love and welcomes all without distinction.

The new-found vision enabled Peter to finally begin to see the universal intentions of God, to preach the good news at Cornelius' home and afterward to welcome him and his household as baptized brothers and sisters in Christ.

When Christ died on the cross and rose again, the Cross transformed into a symbol of hope. **Do we foresee any kind of transformation in ourselves?**