

## Mass Intentions from April 13 to 19, 2024

Sat. Apr 13/4:30 p.m.	Nick Baird	- Teresa Baird
Sun. Apr 14/10:00 a.m.	Nick Baird Sam Atallah Henryk Siedlikowaski Eileen Shanahan Giuseppe Venanzi & Joe Giancolla Leonita, Julian, Emilio & Nida Fabrigas Francesco Nardi & Francesco Andreacchi & Giovanni Lucia I. Liganor & Richardo T. Liganor Sr.	- Teresa Baird - Atallah family - Siedlikowaski family - Shanahan & Scott family - Angela Venanzi - Portia Madriaga - E. Nardi - Wah Keung & Lilian Liganor
Wed. Apr 17/10:00 a.m.	Carolina Ciallella	- Anna Muzzo
Thur. Apr 18/10:00 a.m.	Jaime Favretto	- Luis Paulo Z. Boschetti
Fri. Apr 19/10:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird	

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER - (Year B)

#### First Reading (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19)

Peter reminds his listeners of the part they have played in the death of Jesus, but offers them forgiveness if they repent.

#### Second Reading (1 John 2:1-5)

John reminds us that Jesus Christ's is the atoning sacrifice for our sins and for the sins of the whole world. His sacrifice has taken away our sins and that God's love will be made perfect in us if we keep his commandments.

#### Gospel (Luke 24:35-48)

Christ gives evidence of his bodily presence and explains how his life, death and resurrection fulfils prophecy.

#### Reflection:

##### The word Gospel means "Good News".

We are called to be proclaimers of the Good News. That means more than just reading the four Gospels and being able to tell the story of Jesus.

We are called to live the Gospel in our daily lives – the Good News. People should be able to experience the Good News when they meet us in our ordinary daily events, our walking and talking and working. If we live according to what we believe to be right, then Christ is risen and amongst us. He will live in our hearts, speak through our words, see with our eyes and reach out to others through the touch of our hands.

The three years of His ministry are extended into the lives of all who believe in Him, in whom God's love is coming into perfection.

**May you continue to experience the Good News of the Risen Lord Jesus and be willing to share that Good News with others.**



**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week  
In memory of Henryk Siedlikowski.  
By: Siedlikowski family.**

*Blessed are You, LORD GOD, source of life and hope.*

*Through Your Goodness, You want us to experience the wonder of Your presence so much that You sent Your Son, the Divine Word made flesh. He inflamed our hearts as He shared the fuller understanding of scriptures with us. He brought new meaning to the bread ritual as He took, blessed, broke, and gave the bread to His followers. He made His risen presence known as He continued to share Your Word and break bread with those who believed. We want to "give thanks" to You for giving us Your Son as our Savior, our Redeemer, our Brother, our Teacher, our Nourishment. May we always be aware of His presence with us as we continue to remember, to celebrate, and to believe in Jesus, our Risen Lord. We make this prayer of praise and thanks and petition, in the name of Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, our Risen Savior and loving Brother, Who is living and reigning with You and the Holy Spirit, our one and only GOD, forever and ever. Amen. Alleluia!*

**Churches today have continued the mission, but many still face difficulties in developing their churches, and St. Richards Parish is no different. As generations pass on, people have less interest in the traditional ways. The reality is churches must grow to survive and spread the Gospel. The benefits of growing a church come with reaching more people, sharing God's message, and making a difference in people's lives.**

**Fr. George wishes with every parishioner's help to build a vibrant parish community for St. Richards Parish. He humbly request we all make an effort to invite and bring family and friends to Sunday mass. We can only succeed with your help.**

**Thank you for making an effort.**

#### Sick and Shut-Ins

**If you have a family member or know of a friend who is shut-in and wish to receive Holy Communion or a visit from our pastoral home care team please call the parish office.  
We are here to serve you.**

#### Parish Survey

Your valuable input for the growth of St. Richards is important. The survey is online on our website, (<http://www.strichards.ca>) and link on our Facebook page. Everyone in a family can submit individually. The QR code for the survey is given below:

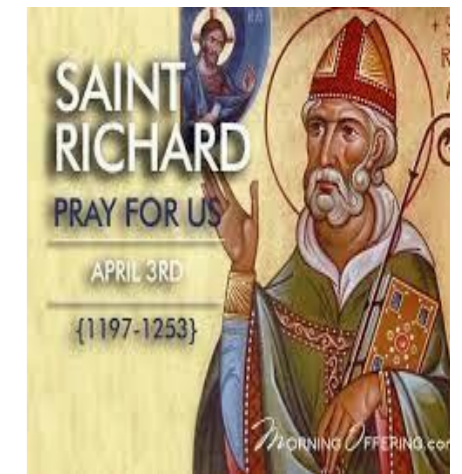
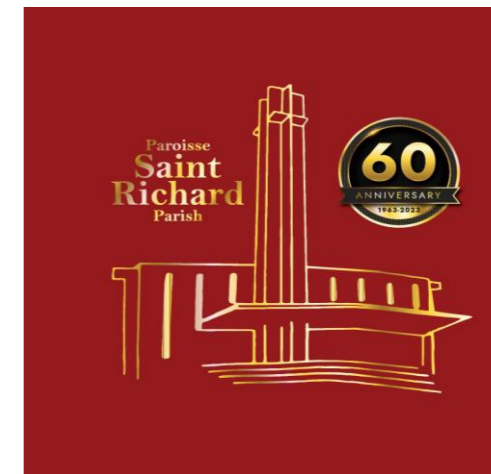


**WE REQUEST YOU SUBMIT ONLY ONE PER PERSON.**

Extra copies are available at the entrance of the church. Please complete the survey and drop it in the dedicated Survey Box.  
**TOTAL CONFIDENTIALITY IS ASSURED.**

The survey launched on Passion Sunday, March 24, 2024 and will be closed on April 28, 2024.

**Thank you for participating in this important survey to serve you better. God bless you.**



## AS WE CONTINUE CELEBRATING ST. RICHARDS 60TH ANNIVERSARY...

### The Life of St. Richard

St. Richard of Chichester (1197-1253), also known as Richard de Wyche, who became **Saint Richard**, was a man of strong character, an accomplished scholar, energetic, kind, modest about his own powers, cheerful, courageous and highly ethical individual. He loved people and was greatly beloved by them.

#### 3/15 Family first: Interruption of Studies

Richard was one of three children born into a family of nobility. Orphaned at a young age, the family estates were put in the care of guardians who mismanaged the property and squandered the inheritance. Richard was forced to abandon his studies and return home to cultivate the land and help restore the family fortune. Overtime, Richard succeeded. His older brother recognizing his competence offered to turn over possession of the estates to his younger brother. However, Richard refused, and chose to return to his studies at Oxford University in England.

#### 4/15 Back to School

When Richard arrived, about 1214, the colleges were still some years away. Clerics studied theology at the first one, University College, in 1249. Richard probably enrolled with a Master, who rented his own Hall at Oxford for lectures and let out accommodation. Richard was poor and often cold and hungry. He shared one warm tunic and hooded gown with two friends, ran about to get warm in winter, and often ate only bread and thin vegetable soup. Despite the hardships of life, though, he said later that never in his life had he been so happy or felt such joy and peace of soul as during those years as a student at Oxford.

#### 5/15 Study Abroad

Richard continued his studies at Paris and Bologna. When his mentor and friend, Edmund of Abingdon became Archbishop of Canterbury in 1233, Richard was made his Chancellor. After Edmund died in 1240, Richard was determined to become a priest. He studied theology with the Dominicans at Orleans. After two years he was ordained by the Bishop and returned to England as a parish priest in Kent.

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