



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Year A)

“He saw and he believed.”

First Reading (Acts 10:34a. 37-43)

Peter and the apostles witness to the resurrection, bring the good news to others.

Second Reading (Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8)

Christians are called to a new life as the beloved of the Lord.

Gospel (John 20:1-18) St John entered the tomb; he saw and he believed.

Reflection:

Today we solemnly celebrate the resurrection of the Lord 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.

As we transition from the death of Jesus to the nothingness of Saturday, to the joy of the Lord Jesus’ rising, we see a glimpse of our own transition from earthly existence to joyful, heavenly relationship with GOD for all eternity. Jesus has provided the Way for us to move into the fullness of life which awaits us with GOD, since Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. This new life invites us to model our attitudes and actions on those of Christ: to love the weakest member of the community, to be generous to those who are poor, to forgive wrongs, to heal those who hurt, to continue to sing a song of joy and celebrate the day of resurrection. We rely on the Holy Spirit to bring to fulfillment our lives in Christ. We pray that God who has begun this good work in us may bring it to fulfillment.

Let us continue to celebrate our renewed relationship with the GOD Who is relationship of Abba-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

May you continue to celebrate the Shalom of the Risen Lord in your life and may that empower you to be a faithful witness of the relationship GOD has re-established with all of humanity through the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week For the People.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A heart filled with joy and gratitude, I extend my warmest Easter greetings to each of you. The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ is the foundation of our faith—a celebration of hope, renewal, and the triumph of life over death. As we rejoice in this sacred season, I wish to take a moment to thank and congratulate all of you for your unwavering faith, generous support, and loving commitment to our parish community.

This past year has been a journey marked by both blessings and challenges. Through it all, your steadfast dedication has been a source of inspiration and strength. I am especially grateful for your kind and generous support—both spiritual and material—which sustains the mission of our parish. Your contributions have enabled us to continue celebrating the sacraments, reaching out to those in need, supporting charitable initiatives, and maintaining our parish as a place of prayer, unity, and service. Your spirit of volunteerism deserves special appreciation; many of you have offered your time and talents in various ways—teaching catechism, organizing liturgical celebrations, and supporting parish events.

I would also like to congratulate you on the faith you continue to pass on to the next generation. In a world often marked by uncertainty and distraction, your commitment to nurturing faith within your families is truly commendable. Parents, grandparents, and guardians, your efforts to guide your children in prayer, values, and Christian living are building a strong foundation for the future of our Church.

Easter reminds us that even in moments of darkness, God’s light prevails. The empty tomb speaks to us of new beginnings, renewed faith, and the promise that God is always at work in our lives. As a parish family, we are called to be witnesses of this hope—to bring the joy of the Resurrection into our homes, workplaces, and society.

It has been a profound honor to serve as your pastor. As my appointed term for St. Richard and St. Joseph’ comes to a close, I prepare to transition to Toronto by the first week of June 2026. While my time in this role is concluding, the memories of our shared journey will remain with me always. I am deeply grateful for the warmth with which you welcomed me into your community and for the place you have given me in your hearts.

May the Risen Christ walk with you always, guiding and protecting you in all that you do.

If anyone is unable to come to the church and needs Holy Communion or a home visit by a priest, please call 514 488-0778.

Yours In Christ,
Fr. George Joseph

Easter Message from the Archbishop Christian Lépine

For Easter 2026, Archbishop Christian Lépine of Montreal offers a message of hope rooted in the very heart of the Christian faith: the Resurrection of Christ.

In a world shadowed by suffering, discouragement, and uncertainty, Archbishop Lépine reminds us that the love of Christ, poured out upon the Cross, does not end at death.

Through his Resurrection, Jesus opens a path of new life and gives meaning to our own trials, inviting us to unite them with his.

His message calls each of us to receive this hope and to trust that the love we experience today carries within it a promise of eternity.

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Happy Easter.**

+ Christian Lépine
Archbishop of Montreal

Mass Intentions (April 8-10) 2026

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| Wed. Apr 8 /10:00 a.m. | Mohamoud Welde Muthuveeran | - Leteamlak Temnewo -Dn Nathan & family |
| Thu. Apr 9/10:00 a.m. | Benedetta Di –Murro | - Daughters |
| Fri. Apr 10/10:00 a.m. | Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families | - Teresa Baird |

Celebrate the resurrection of our Lord!

Happy EASTER

