

ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, WELLAND

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – MAY 3, 2026

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Office Hours
Friday Only
 10:00am to 2:00pm
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Mass Intentions - Week of May 2 to May 10

SATURDAY May 2 - 5:00pm

Umberto Ioannoni by Bruna Ioannoni & Family

Lidia Labricciosa by Family

5th Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY May 3 - 9:00am

John Nenadovich by Nenadovich Family

Grazia Barone by Maria Fazzalari

11:00am - For your Intentions

SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15pm

In Honour of Saints Louis & Zelig by G. Pang

TUESDAY May 5 - 5:00pm - Mass & Adoration

Deceased of Tummolo & Tudesco Family by Maria Fazzalari

WEDNESDAY May 6 - 9:00am

Frank Garel by Janis Garel-Martel

THURSDAY May 7 - 5:00pm - Mass & Adoration

John Nenadovich by R & S Lastovic

FRIDAY May 8 - 9:35am

Grace Bartel by David Fox

SATURDAY May 9 - 5:00pm

For Maddalena Rosario & John by Anna Maddalena

Vicenzo & Antonietta Nobile by Franca Sdao

Roberto & Teresa DiGioia by Teresa DiGioia

6th Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY May 10 - 9:00am

Rachel Schad by Raymond & Peter Schad

Milvia Mammoliti by Tina, Nancy & Rosa

Blessings for Barbara Nenadovich by G & M Shinton

11:00am - For your Intentions

SUNDAY LATE EVENING MASS - 8:15pm

In Honour of St. Gianna Beretta Molla by G. Pang



*Please join
 us to pray
 the Rosary
 before all
 weekend
 Masses*



Weekday Confessions - (exceptions below)

Tuesday to Friday 8:00pm to 9:00pm

*No evening Confessions - Solemnity of the

Ascension May 14, Priest's Annual Retreat - June 1-5

Special Thanks to Fr. Jacek Kryn, Fr. Daniel Corso,

Fr. Janusz Roginski & Fr. Robert Novokowsky

Bishops Annual Appeal "Hearts on Fire", Your tax-deductible gift will help us spread our faith throughout our community. Information material and special envelopes are at the back table. For more info: <https://bishopsappeal.ca/>

National Family & Life Week (NFLW), May 10-17, 2026, - The theme for 2026 is, "I am with you always" (Matthew 28:20). Let us take time this week to celebrate our families. For resources pl check the CCCB website: English: <https://www.cccb.ca/nflw>



Christ is the Day by Saint Maximus of Turin, Bishop

Christ is risen! He has burst open the gates of hell and let the dead go free; He has renewed the earth through the members of His Church now born in baptism, and has made it blossom afresh with men brought back to life. His Holy Spirit has unlocked the doors of heaven, opened wide to receive those who rise up from the earth. Because of Christ's resurrection the thief ascends to paradise, the bodies of the blessed enter the holy city, and the dead are restored to the company of the living. There is an upward movement in the whole of creation, each element raising itself to something higher. We see hell restoring its victims to the upper regions, earth sending its buried dead to heaven, and heaven presenting the new arrivals to the Lord. In one and the same movement, our Saviour's Passion raises men from the depths, lifts them up from the earth, and sets them in the heights.

Christ is risen. His rising brings life to the dead, forgiveness to sinners, and glory to the saints. And so David the prophet summons all creation to join in celebrating the Easter festival: *Rejoice and be glad, he cries, on this day which the Lord has made.*

The light of Christ is an endless day that knows no night. Christ is this day, says the Apostle; such is the meaning of his words: *Night is almost over; day is at hand.* By this we are meant to understand that the coming of Christ's light puts Satan's darkness to flight, leaving no place for any shadow of sin. His everlasting radiance dispels the dark clouds of the past and checks the hidden growth of vice. The Son is that day to whom the day, which is the Father, communicates the mystery of his divinity. He is the day who says through the mouth of Solomon: *I have caused an unfailing light to rise in heaven.* And as in heaven no night can follow day, so no sin can overshadow the justice of Christ. Clouds can never darken its skies. In the same way, the light of Christ is eternally glowing with luminous radiance and can never be extinguished by the darkness of sin. This is why John the Evangelist says: *The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never been able to overpower it.*

And so, my brothers, each of us ought surely to rejoice on this holy day. Let no one, conscious of his sinfulness, withdraw from our common celebration, nor let anyone be kept away from our public prayer by the burden of his guilt. Sinner he may indeed be, but he must not despair of pardon on this day which is so highly privileged; for if a thief could receive the grace of paradise, how could a Christian be refused forgiveness?

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offerings - \$1,342.00
 Easter Offering - \$20.00
 Repair & Renovations - \$50.00
 "Hearts on Fire" Appeal - \$555.00

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