



MEDIA ADVISORY – For immediate release

Toronto's Catholic Churches prepare for Easter Triduum

Media welcome as Christians observe holiest days of the year

TORONTO (April 6, 2023) Catholics across the Archdiocese of Toronto are preparing this week for the holiest days on the Christian calendar. As newsrooms plan their coverage for Easter Weekend, downtown Toronto churches are open to host media crews.

Recognized as the Mother Church of the archdiocese and home parish of newly appointed Archbishop Francis Leo, St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica in downtown Toronto has often been part of Easter coverage. Media are also welcome at the nearby St. Paul's Basilica and St. Basil's Church. Locations and Mass times are as follows:

St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica – 65 Bond Street, Toronto

April 6 - Holy Thursday (Washing of Feet) - 5:30 p.m. - Mass

April 7 - Good Friday (The Lord's Passion) - ****3 p.m.** - Good Friday Service

April 8 - Holy Saturday (The Easter Vigil) - ****9 p.m.** - Mass

April 9 - Easter Sunday Masses - 8 a.m., 10 a.m., ****noon**, 5 p.m.

(** - indicates services being led by Archbishop Leo)

St. Paul's Basilica – 83 Power Street, Toronto

April 6 - Holy Thursday - 7 p.m. - Mass

April 7 - Good Friday (The Lord's Passion) - 1 p.m., 3 p.m. - Good Friday Service

April 8 - Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - 8 p.m. - Mass

April 9 - Easter Sunday Masses - 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m.

St. Basil's Parish – 50 St. Joseph Street, Toronto

April 6 - Holy Thursday (Washing of Feet) - 7 p.m. - Mass

April 7 - Good Friday (The Lord's Passion) - 3 p.m. - Good Friday Service

April 8 - Holy Saturday (The Easter Vigil) - 8 p.m. - Mass

April 9 - Easter Sunday Masses - 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., noon

Note: To respect the sacred nature of Mass, we ask that working media identify themselves to a church representative upon arrival and follow the protocols they provide.

The Archdiocese of Toronto, Canada's largest diocese, is one of the most diverse faith communities in North America, serving as the spiritual home to approximately two million Catholics with close to 400 priests celebrating Mass in more than 30 languages each week at 225 parishes. The archdiocese stretches from Toronto north to Georgian Bay and from Oshawa to Mississauga.

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