



FROM THE VINEYARD

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THIS IS AN EARLY and slightly abridged edition of *From the Vineyard*, as we begin the celebration of the great Easter Triduum. May God bless us as we gather for these most holy days, commemorating the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus.

I PUBLISHED MY EASTER MESSAGE earlier this week which you can access and read here.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS will be held tomorrow, Good Friday, wending its way through the streets of Peterborough. We begin with a prayer service at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains at 10:00 a.m. and conclude at the steps of Immaculate Conception Church in east city. It is gratifying to see this Good Friday tradition return to our city and I am very grateful to the many volunteers and cast who have worked hard to prepare it in recent months. It looks like God will bless us with a nice, sunny day for the Way of the Cross, even if a bit cool!

THE CHRISM MASS was well attended at our Cathedral on Monday this week, by priests, deacons and many of the faithful. We were basically full! At the afternoon holy hour, Father Ace Podelino gave a thoughtful and faith-filled reflection for the many clergy who had gathered. My sincere thanks to all those who worked hard to prepare the celebration of the Chrism Mass, which included the holy hour, reception and dinner beforehand.

PETERBOROUGH CAMPUS MINISTRY held their spring banquet this past Saturday evening, something of a closing event as students finish exams and head home for the summer. I was glad to join Father Neil Pereira and Father Stephen DeCarlo along with about fifty students at St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish Hall. The meal was enjoyable and the speeches and testimonies beautifully expressed all the good work that has been accomplished in Campus Ministry this year!

THE EASTER EDITION OF THE CATHOLIC HERALD was published online recently, and the paper copies should appear in churches this weekend. Sincere thanks to Father Ray Rick, our editor, and for the many contributors who have produced a very interesting issue!

Fraternally, + Daniel