



FROM THE VINEYARD

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THIS EARLY EDITION OF FROM THE VINEYARD is coming out just as we are ready for the celebration of the Solemn Easter Triduum. May these days of joy and thanksgiving help us to embrace fully the great mysteries of the Lord's passion, death and resurrection.

I PUBLISHED MY EASTER MESSAGE earlier this week, and it is available here in both text and video formats.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISM MASS on Monday was beautiful, prayerful and well-attended. I was delighted to see the fine turnout of priests, deacons, religious and lay people who filled the Cathedral. Our Cathedral choir was in particularly good voice, ably assisted by students from Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic School. My sincere thanks to all the organizers of the Chrism Mass and to all who attended, making it such an inspiring Holy Week liturgy.

THE "WAY OF THE CROSS" takes place in Peterborough on Good Friday, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains. Continuing a long tradition, we will follow the young cast through the streets of the city, finishing at the steps of Immaculate Conception Church. The forecast includes some chance of rain, but we are still hopeful that it will hold off – we will pivot to indoors at the Cathedral if necessary. For more information, see the Way of the Cross [program](#) on our website.

THE JUBILEE OF YOUTH takes place at our Cathedral on Sunday, April 27. The full program includes a Divine Mercy Service at 2:30, followed by Adoration and Confessions and the celebration of Mass at 5:00 p.m. There will also be time to venerate the relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis, who is being canonized in Rome that same day. It all wraps up with a reception at Bishop Doyle Hall after the Mass. I am happy to hear of several parishes who have organized groups of young people to attend!

FOR LIVESTREAMS OF OUR EASTER TRIDUUM LITURGIES at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains, please visit our diocesan website.

AN EASTER MESSAGE FROM BISHOP WILLIAM MCGRATTAN, President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, is available to read at the CCCB Website.

*Fraternally,
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