

BLD Toronto – Broadcast No. 2026-04-01

April 2, 2026

To: BLD Toronto Cluster 7 Members

Re: Broadcast for the week ending April 3, 2026

**BLD Toronto Activities for April 2026**

DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
Friday, April 3, 2026	-	GOOD FRIDAY <b>(NO FIRST FRIDAY MASS)</b>
Friday, April 10, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Friday, April 10, 2026	8:00 PM	Game Night by Singles Ministry (OLA Rm. 4)
Saturday, April 11, 2026	12:00 PM	Teaching: Intro. To the Word & Understanding Corporate Worship (OLA Rm. 3) tba
Saturday, April 11, 2026	12:00 PM	Teaching: Orientation to Spiritual Warfare (OLA Rm. 4) tba
Friday, April 17, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Saturday & Sunday, April 18 & 19, 2026	8:00 AM	Teachers Devt. Program (TDP) (St. Joseph, Guelph)
Friday, April 24, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Saturday, April 25, 2026	10:00 AM	LSS Class No. 42 – Grand Reunion (OLA Hall) tba
Saturday, April 25, 2026	12:00 PM	Teaching: Basic Commitment and Charismata/Motivational Gifts Inventory (OLA Rm. 3) tba
Saturday, April 25, 2026	12:00 PM	Teaching: Fraternal Correction and Repairing Wrongdoing (OLA Rm. 4) tba

On **Easter Sunday**, we reflect on the Resurrection of the Lord with the **theme: We rejoice in the Risen Christ who raises us to a new life in Him.** The Resurrection proclaims that Jesus is Lord of life, victorious over sin and death, and the foundation of the new life offered to all who believe. In His rising, we are not only reminded that death does not have the final word, but also invited to share in His life even now. Christ calls us to leave behind sin, fear, and hopelessness, and to rise with Him into a transformed way of living. As disciples, we respond by turning away from self-centeredness and fixing our hearts on what is eternal. The new life in Christ moves us to forgive, to begin again, and to live as witnesses of hope. Raised with Him, we walk as Easter people, trusting that His victory becomes our strength and our future glory, in this promise: ***“When Christ, who is your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.”*** (Col 3:4). **[CSL Reflection].**

Sa Wikang Pilipino:

Sa **Linggo ng Pagkabuhay**, pinag-iisipan natin ang Muling Pagkabuhay ng Panginoon sa temang ito: **Nagsasaya tayo sa Muling Nabuhay na Kristo na nagbibigay sa atin ng bagong buhay sa Kanya.** Ipinahahayag ng Muling Pagkabuhay na si Jesus ang Panginoon ng buhay, nagtagumpay laban sa kasalanan at kamatayan, at Siya ang pinagmumulan ng bagong buhay para sa lahat ng naniniwala. Sa Kanyang pagkabuhay na muli, pinaaalalahanan tayo na hindi kamatayan ang huling salita, at inaanyayahan din tayong makibahagi sa Kanyang buhay kahit ngayon. Tinatawag tayo ni Kristo na iwan ang kasalanan, takot, at kawalan ng pag-asa, at bumangon kasama Niya tungo sa isang binagong paraan ng pamumuhay. Bilang mga alagad, tumutugon tayo sa pamamagitan ng pagtalikod sa pagiging makasarili at pagtutok ng puso sa mga bagay na walang hanggan. Ang bagong buhay kay Kristo ang nagtutulak sa atin na magpatawad, magsimula muli, at mamuhay bilang mga saksi ng pag-asa. Bilang mga taong itinaas kasama Niya, lumalakad tayo bilang mga tao ng Pasko ng Pagkabuhay, nagtitiwala na ang Kanyang tagumpay ang ating lakas at kaluwalhatiing darating, ayon sa pangakong ito: **'Kapag si Kristo na inyong buhay ay nahayag, mahahayag din kayong kasama Niya sa kaluwalhatian.'** (Col 3:4)

## **THEME & PROMISE**

**Week#1 (The Resurrection of the Lord) April 5, 2026**

**Good Friday**

**Theme:** We rejoice in the Risen Christ who raises us to a new life in Him.

**Promise:** "When Christ who is your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory." (Col 3:4)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **FROM THE DCS:**

- ***NEW!* – Greetings from Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto**

The Archbishop urges the faithful to uphold the dignity of human life by supporting Bill C-218, advocating against the expansion of MAiD for mental illness, and praying for compassionate care, responsible legislation, and those who suffer from mental illness. (See his detailed message attached)..

Advocating for laws that protect life is a meaningful expression of our faith in action — most especially during this Lenten journey, a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Let us pray for our elected officials, that they may be guided by wisdom and courage. May we also hold close in prayer all who live with mental illness and their families, that they may receive compassionate care and renewed hope. Thank you for your kind consideration of my request. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones. (*see his detailed message attached to the Broadcast email*).

- **An invitation from Bishop Kasun, Vicar for Lay Organizations, Archdiocese of Toronto:**

Dear Leaders of the Lay Associations and Movements in the Archdiocese,

You and the members of your Lay Association in the Archdiocese of Toronto are cordially invited to join the upcoming spiritual event called "A Day With Mary" to take place on Saturday, May 30, 2026, from 10:00am to 4:00pm at Villanova College on the property of the Marylake Shrine in King City, Ontario.

Kindly see the three attachments accompanying this letter. The attachments will provide much information about the day and the logistics of it. Also included is the email address of one of the organizing team in case you have questions not addressed in the attachments.

I look forward to seeing many of you on this festive day! (*see full details provided in the related attachments to the Broadcast email*).

### **FROM THE SINGLES MINISTRY:**

- On **Friday, April 10 the Singles Ministry** is hosting a **Game Night** for potential candidates of SEW #26. This will be a fun and relaxed opportunity for them to fellowship, connect, and get to know the Singles Ministry.

For more information you can reach out to the Singles Core: Jean Caniedo, Nine Campomanes or Roxanne Maranan (*see attached flyer for details*).

### **FROM THE MISSION MINISTRY:**

- The **Youth Without Shelter (YWS)**, an emergency shelter for homeless youth, has received our grocery donations in January and March. Attached are the YWS thank you letters.
- The **Breaking the Yoke of Poverty (BYOP)** Ministry has started collecting Lenten card donations to support the BYOP Scholarship of Hope program for the needy children in our home country, the Philippines. You can forward your donation to Al & Sol Crisostomo. You can also remit your donation via etransfer. Indicate 'Lenten Cards donation'.

Email: [blدتorontotreasury@yahoo.com](mailto:blدتorontotreasury@yahoo.com) Security Question: who is my first teacher? Answer/Password: Jesus1

### **FROM THE TEACHING MINISTRY:**

- ***"Instruct the wise, and they will be even wiser. Teach the righteous, and they will learn even more."*** (Proverbs 9:9)

The first **Inter-District Teachers Development Program (TDP)** will be held on **April 18 and 19, 2026 at St. Joseph School in Guelph**. This event will be attended by teachers in process (TIP) and current teachers willing to upskill from BLD Toronto, BLD Guelph, BLD Rochester and BLD Mississauga.

This is a collaborative effort of the BLD Academy and the Teaching Team of BLD Toronto and BLD Mississauga. Please pray for a spirit-filled, joy-filled and fruitful TDP.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **FROM THE DCS:**

- In response to the request raised at the last Disciples meeting, we have prepared the attached summary of free and confidential support available to help our members navigate the practical, legal, and emotional challenges that can follow the loss of a loved one. This brief guide highlights no-cost or low-cost services in Toronto that BLD members can refer to on for both (1) clear steps to take after the passing of a spouse—including estate administration and access to brief legal advice—and (2) counselling and grief-support options. A quick 'how to use' notes and direct source links are included to make it easy for anyone to find the help they need. (see attached information after the Announcements). This information will be uploaded on our website for easy access.

- Our community continues to grow, and your voice matters. We've created a new email where you can share your thoughts, ideas, and feedback: [blدتorontosuggestionbox@gmail.com](mailto:blدتorontosuggestionbox@gmail.com)

You may include your name or remain anonymous—though adding your name helps us follow up when needed. All submissions will be kept confidential. For those who prefer the traditional method, our physical Suggestion Box remains at the hall entrance. Let's work together to build a stronger, more connected community.

**FROM THE INTERCESSORY MINISTRY:**

- Everyone is invited to our Community Intercession every Monday evening at 7:30 PM via Zoom, except on the 1st Monday of the month and on holidays. Pls. see below for Zoom details note that we have new Passcode:

**Meeting ID: 812 7532 6147**

**Passcode: 2026357**

Please write clearly on your petition forms, especially names, so that the intercessors can read your handwriting.

**FROM THE SECRETARIAT MINISTRY:**

- Please make sure to scan your ID before Praise and Worship every week or sign-in your attendance for safety and security purposes in case of emergency.

Kindly advise the Secretariat by emailing [bldtorontosecretariat01@gmail.com](mailto:bldtorontosecretariat01@gmail.com) if you know of any member who does not receive the weekly DCS broadcasts. Help us to keep all members well informed of community events.

**FROM THE TREASURY MINISTRY:**

- Tax Receipts Are Ready! 😊 Good news! Tax receipts are now ready for pick-up at the OLA Hall starting Friday, February 13. Just drop by the entrance and look for Edwin & Jojie Abellanosa or Ariel & Ethel Ang—they'll be happy to help you.

If you wish to receive your tax receipt via email, please send an email to [bldtorontotreasury@yahoo.com](mailto:bldtorontotreasury@yahoo.com). Can't make it? No worries! Any unclaimed tax receipts will be mailed out.

To set up an Interac e-transfer for their love offerings, please see the information below:

**Email:** [bldtorontotreasury@yahoo.com](mailto:bldtorontotreasury@yahoo.com) **Security Question:** **who is my first teacher?**

**Answer/Password:** **Jesus1**

Once Jojie Abellanosa (Treasurer) receives your e-transfer, expect a confirmation email coming from her (not from your bank), otherwise please email her at the above-noted email address.

In the love of Christ,  
BLD Toronto Stewards