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Celebration of The Eucharist

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am
Thursday: 12:00 noon

Eucharistic Adoration (First Friday - following the 8:30 am Mass and closing with Solemn Benediction at 12:00 noon)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Second Sunday of the Month
By appointment only.

Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment only - Contact the pastor at least one year in advance.
An approved preparation course is mandatory.

Parish Schools

St. Michael Catholic Academy 905-889-4816

For more information on Catholic education in our community, or to reach your local school board trustee, contact the Toronto Catholic District School Board at 416-222-8282 or www.tcdsb.org or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or www.ycdsb.ca

email: gspadmin@bellnet.ca

website: goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – NOVEMBER 26
 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



November 28th to December 2nd

- Tues. 8:30 am – 40th Wedding Anniversary:
 Wayne & Cheryl McCullough
 Wed. 8:30 am – Rosie Wong †
 Thurs. 12:00 pm (Noon) – Joseph & Georgette
 Assal †
 Fri. 8:30 am – Catalina Muñoz †
 Sat. 4:30 pm – Elton Jardine †



Next week we begin a new year in the Church with the start of Advent. We can enter into Advent more fully through prayer, fasting, giving, and action. Challenge yourself to do an act of charity each day for someone else. Advent is a time when we pause and ask ourselves: “What is it I really long for?” “Who is Jesus to me?” The more we walk around with these questions, and let them penetrate through the layers of distraction and self-protection, the more powerfully we will experience Advent. This Advent, ask Jesus to walk with you each day and put you on the path that he wants you on. Come, Lord Jesus.



December 3rd

- 1st Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1-8
 2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 1:3-9
 Gospel: Matthew 13:33-37

FIRST FRIDAY: December 1st

Mass on First Friday will be at 8:30 am.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will start at the completion of Mass and continue until noon when the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed. A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church if you can commit to a specific time.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:



Boxed sets for 2018 are now available for pick-up. If you have not been issued a set, please complete a form and we will have one prepared for you by next weekend.

If your personal information (address, phone, etc.) has changed, please let us know so that our records can remain accurate.

We would also like to remind you **please DO NOT** use envelopes from previous years as numbers are often reassigned to another person. This will ensure that tax receipts are accurate.

1st ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT & CONCERT: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th at 3 pm



Christmas Pageant

All parishioners are invited to come out and support our children this afternoon.



2018 Scarboro Mission Calendars - \$1
 Proceeds from their sale are used to support the Missionaries and the wonderful work that they do at home and abroad.



THANK YOU FROM THE SOCIAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE:

We would like to thank all parishioners who graciously signed this weekend's postcards to our Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

Two hundred petitions have been forwarded to the Canadian Government urging them to respect their commitment to support women and women's organizations who are working for peace. We are optimistic that your signature, together with thousands of others', will make a difference.

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE AND BAZAAR: December 2nd and 3rd



The ladies of the CWL will be holding a Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale after all the Masses next weekend. You can buy delicious baked treats on Saturday, December 2nd starting at 2:30pm and on Sunday, December 3rd after all Masses. There will be something for everyone on your list. We would be happy to receive donations of baked goods from all members of the parish. Donations can be dropped off after 2:00 pm on Saturday and before the Masses on Sunday.

CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS COLLECTION: December 2nd/3rd and 9th/10th



The Social Outreach Committee will be collecting Food Basics/ No Frills/ Walmart gift cards after all Masses during the following two weekends. Please place them in the gift card baskets at the back of the church. You can still donate gift cards even if you did not pick up a tag. Just bring them in and follow the instructions above. Together we can make a difference in our communities and for our neighbours in need this Christmas. Thank you for your support.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

PROTEIN FOR THE POOR



During Advent, the Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations with their annual "PROTEIN FOR THE POOR."

Donations will go to the Good Shepherd Centre which provides food, clothing, and shelter for many of Toronto's homeless men. Please help alleviate their suffering.

SUPPORT YOUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:



To help us nurture the gift of Catholic Education in the years to come, we ask for the support of every member of our Catholic community. Please verify that

your tax support is directed to the English-Language Separate District Board.

Please call the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) at 1-866-296-6722, or visit www.mpac.ca. You may get an Application for Direction of School Support by calling the York Catholic District School Board Admissions Office at 905-713-2711, or visiting www.ycdsb.ca.

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING AWARD:



It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a

five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18th-25th, 2018. Deadline for entries is January 8, 2018. Please see the bulletin board for more information.



CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION: December 3rd

Registration for students in Grades 7 (or above) will take place after the Sunday Masses on December 3rd. Please bring a copy of your child's original Baptismal certificate, your email address neatly printed, and \$50 cash/cheque which

covers the cost of student texts, gown rentals, etc. Anyone registered at Good Shepherd who does not attend our parish school and wishes to be confirmed should contact the office.

THE LEPROSY MISSION CANADA:



Please drop off your foreign stamps and special commemorative issues of Canadian and American postage stamps in the white bin on the cabinet in our foyer. Postcards or entire envelopes dated prior to 1950 are accepted. **Last year, donors helped cure over 30 people.** Thank you for helping to make this possible.

FAITH CONNECTIONS: ADVENT RETREAT

Saturday, December 2nd



Young adults (18-39) are invited to an Advent retreat from 10am-2pm at The Mary Ward Centre, Toronto. Facilitator: Joe Egan. Cost is \$25 and includes lunch. To register, please call Kataryna at 416-467-2645 or visit www.faithconnections.ca.

FEED MY LAMBS: THANK YOU



As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.

This month we collected 51 frozen casseroles along with 20lbs of frozen pizza.

Thank you to Pizza Hot Wings, 3883 Donmills Rd., for their steady donation of pizza each month. Thank you to those who have been so committed to this program and invite all parishioners to participate. Each tray provides a hot, nourishing meal for 10 underprivileged people at The Good Shepherd Centre.

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