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#### **Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Iacobelli

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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 <a href="https://www.tcdsb.org">www.tcdsb.org</a> or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or <a href="https://www.ycdsb.ca">www.ycdsb.ca</a>

email: gspadmin@bellnet.ca website: goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org



## January 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>

Tues. 8:30 am – Elizabeth Ling 🕆

Wed. 8:30 am – Alberto Fillecetta John ♥

Thurs. 12:00 pm (Noon) – Frances Law (Sp. Int)

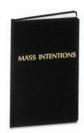
Fri. 8:30 am – Joanne Lasita 🕈 Sat. 4:30 pm – Lucia Shen ♣

## Readings: Sunday, January 21st 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



1<sup>st</sup> Reading: John 3:1-5, 10 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Cor. 7:29-31 Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

#### **2019 MASS INTENTIONS:**



The 2019 Mass book is now available. If you would like to book a Mass please visit the office. The suggested donation for an announced Mass is \$20. This Mass is offered at Good Shepherd, the intention is read at the

start of Mass and also printed in the bulletin. The suggested donation for an unannounced Mass is \$10. This is a private Mass said offsite. Please note that Mass offerings are not tax deductible.

#### TAX RECEIPTS:



Tax receipts for donations made between January 1<sup>st</sup> - December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 will be available by the end of February. If you want us to mail your receipt, please drop a

self-addressed, stamped envelope in the collection basket. (Donations made on/after January 1st, 2018 will count towards next year's tax receipt.) As per the Archdiocese, donations for Masses offered are not tax deductible.

#### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING:



If you are you currently signed up for the pre-authorized giving (PAG) plan please consider an increase in 2018. **PAG** administered is bv

Archdiocese, and donations to the church are taken directly from your bank account on a monthly basis. PAG saves time and administrative costs associated with processing donations. The PAG form is available in the foyer at the back of the church.

#### **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:**



Please print your name and address for the first few weeks so that we can double check our records.

#### SCRIPTURE STUDY: David the King



**6 Week Video Course** Start date: Tuesday, February 13th Registration: February 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>

after all Masses

In a special way, Bishop Barron weaves together salvation history by linking King David back to Adam, the first king, and forward to Jesus Christ, the eternal King of kings. Learn more about David, the unlikely successor to Saul, and a "man after God's own heart."

#### FEED THE HUNGRY:



Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass this weekend. Please return your frozen casseroles next weekend: January 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>.

#### WHEELCHAIRS FOR THE POOR:



weekend, the Knights This collecting "refundable" beer, wine, liquor bottles and cans as well as pop cans which can be redeemed for wheelchairs for the poor. We thank you for your support of this project.

#### **VATICAN CONNECTIONS:**



Every Friday evening at 8:00 pm, Vatican Connections gives you a half-hour look at what's happening behind the walls of the Vatican. For more information, please visit

saltandlighttv.org/vaticanconnections

#### **FERTILITY CARE TORONTO:**



Are you planning for children and want to use a family planning system that is in keeping with the teachings of the Church?

Contact www.fertilitycare.ca.

#### WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE



CELEBRATION: Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at 3 pm Location: St. Paul's Basilica

The Church celebrates the World Day for Consecrated Life. We are

blessed to have more than 900 religious men and women from about 100 different congregations serving in the Archdiocese of Toronto. This World Day for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Bishop Kirkpatrick will preside at the Mass in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

#### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE: Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm



**Location: Metropolitan United Church-56 Queen St E** 

Come and join us for an ecumenical prayer service to pray for the unity of all Christians, led by His Eminence Cardinal

Thomas Collins (homilist), Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Coptic Orthodox Bishop Anba Mina, and other city-wide Christian church leaders. Refreshments to follow the service. All are welcome!

For more information please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at the Archdiocese of Toronto (416) 934-3400 ext. 344.

#### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:**



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# CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE - MASS WITH CARDINAL COLLINS:



February 11, 2018 - 3 pm Location: Blessed Trinity Parish

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary this year, please join in this special celebration. Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. All are welcome to attend. A reception will follow Mass.

Registration and other important information can be found at: <a href="www.archtoronto.org/marriage">www.archtoronto.org/marriage</a> or by calling (416) 934-3400 ext. 523.

#### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:



Kindergarten registration began January 8, 2018 in all York Catholic Elementary schools. We look forward to welcoming your child into our schools, where we emphasize academic success using a curriculum that is infused with

the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You can register your child at your local Catholic school. For more information, please visit our website at www.ycdsb.ca/admissions.

#### **EUTHANASIA PREVENTION:**



1-855-675-8749 is a 24-hour confidential, free helpline for people who have concerns about euthanasia, assisted suicide, or end-of-life treatment issues.



No one has to walk alone. With God's grace and human support, persons with same-sex attraction can follow Jesus Christ faithful to the spiritual and moral teachings of the Catholic faith, responding to the call to holiness and growing deeper in the spiritual life. Spiritual support and fellowship for Catholic men and women with same-sex attractions *Courage* is approved by the Archdiocese of Toronto. Visit www.couragerc.org or call 416-928-5094.

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