

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

21 Simonston Blvd.
Thornhill, ON L3T 4R6
905-881-1534

Pastor

Rev. Anthony Iacobelli

Deacons: Michael Gennaro
James Shaughnessy

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 School

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

ASCENSION OF THE LORD – May 13, 2018

May 15th – May 19th

Tues. 8:30 am - Herculano Mascarenhas †

Wed. 8:30 am - Aiden Leung (Intention)

Thurs. Noon - Jack D'Souza †

Fri. 8:30 am - Kevin D'Mello †

Sat. 4:30 pm - Maria & Jose Costa †



Readings:

Sunday May 20th

1st Reading: Acts 2.1-11

2nd Reading: Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13 or
Galatians 5.16-25

Gospel: John 20.19-23 or 15.26-27; 16.12-15

SL ShareLife

Helping the whole community
through Catholic agencies

Living the Gospel by supporting Mental Health Wellness

In 2016, over 2,000 people accessed individual, couple and family counselling at Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin, a ShareLife-funded agency. Often, clients sought help to address depression. Given that depression has replaced back injury as the number one reason for absenteeism at work, these services are helping clients maintain employment and stay out of poverty. By supporting ShareLife agencies like CFS Peel-Dufferin, you're helping people find health and happiness.

May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.

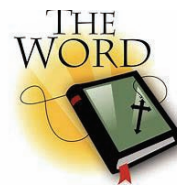
A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

I thank you, Creator of us all, for my Mother. I thank you that she gave me life and nurtured me all my years. She gave me faith, helping me to know You and to know Jesus and His ways. She taught me how to love and how to sacrifice for others. Bless her with the graces she richly deserves and keep her in Your care. Embrace her to let her feel precious in Your eyes today and to know that I love her. Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace. Bless her this day with your Love.



THE WORD THIS WEEK:

"He was taken up into heaven:
there at the right hand of God he
took his place."



Ascension is not just a feast that happens to fall in Eastertide: it is an integral part of the Easter mystery. Remember the Lord's words at the Last Supper: "I am going to prepare a place for, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me." The resurrection presumes the Lord's return to the Father. This is therefore a feast of hope: our hope in the Lord's return, as He went. Our hope that He will take us with Him, when our bodies are raised as His was. Our hope that we will take our place in heaven, where He sits on the Father's right.

On this feast of the Ascension of the Lord, the Church pays attention to communication in our world and encourages us to spread the good news of God's saving grace, revealed in Jesus and made present through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Communicating the good news is a work in progress. There has never been a time in history when people did not need the news of salvation. When much of the communication around us tears down rather than builds up, we have the opportunity to build bridges through our encounters with others.

We are called to be people of hope. Despite all the struggles in our lives and despite all the suffering that we see in our community and the world, we can have hope: hope that the risen Lord will come again to fully restore God's kingdom in the world, as he indeed comes again into our lives through Eucharistic celebrations.

"a voice came out of the cloud, saying, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!'" Finally, the cloud took Jesus out of the sight of the disciples on the day of his ascension and will reveal him as Son of man in glory on the day of his final coming."



2018 PARISH SPRING SOCIAL

Join us on Saturday
May 26, 2018!!



Tickets are going fast. Get your tickets after all masses this weekend. It's time for our

community to get together and enjoy a delicious meal and dance the night away at:

St. Bonaventure's Parish Hall

(Larger Venue)

1300 Leslie Street

Doors open at 6:15 pm, Dinner at 7:00 pm

Cost \$45 per person, children 12 and under \$20

Cash Bar / DJ all evening / Door Prizes

Blue Mass 2018

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Blessed Trinity Parish

3220 Bayview Ave., North York

You are asked to join Archbishop Lawrence Saldanha, Pastor Fr. Edward Murphy and other priests celebrating this Blue Mass. This is calling our faithful to pray for the military, law enforcement, firefighter and emergency personnel, recognizing their faithful commitments and self-sacrifices while serving our citizen communities. We are expecting fire engines, police cruisers, police dogs, etc. This is particularly a good opportunity to show our younger generation the respect due to our uniformed. Congregations from other parishes and schools are welcome. Light refreshments and socializing after. Please email us your group attendance so we can be prepared.

CONTACT: HenryTang@TangInc.com

PHONE: 416-464-8215

**JOIN US ON
FRIDAY MAY 18TH
AT 7:30 P.M.
FEATURE MOVIE
"THE SHACK"**



"The Shack" takes us on a father's transformative spiritual journey. After a family tragedy, Mack spirals into a crisis of faith and question's God's existence and life's purpose. Mack's journey will transform audiences of all ages, in this movie that you will want to watch over and over.

RETREAT FOR MEN AND WOMEN JUNE 1 TO 3, 2018



You are cordially invited to spend a weekend of peace, joy and great spiritual intimacy with our triune God at The Holy Ground – Manresa with the retreat theme: "Praying with St. Jean De Brebeuf: A Model of Christian Virtue for the Catholic in Canada."

Retreat Time: Friday June 1 8:30 p.m. to Sunday June 3 1:00 p.m.

For more information and reservation please contact: Tony Salvosa at 416-494-0560 or email at aaasalv@yahoo.ca



CALL FOR CONSCIENCE 2018

INVITATION FROM CARDINAL COLLINS

Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, recently issued a call to action in advance of the June 7 provincial election to promote palliative care, conscience rights and the protection of faith-based facilities. His Eminence has asked Catholics to visit canadianforconscience.ca/ontario to send a letter directly to all candidates in their riding for the June 7 election. A pre-written letter is provided which people can amend as they chose. If you did not receive Cardinal Collin's emailed letter and you would like to receive them in the future, please visit bit.ly/archtosignup. Thank you for advocating on these important issues.



"FEED MY LAMBS"



Next weekend is the monthly collection of frozen casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre. There is a selection of *four, easy-to-make recipes* available for you after all Masses this weekend. If you have not been able to participate in this wonderful program in the past, you are always welcome to start. If you have any questions concerning the program, someone will be available at the back of the church to assist you. Congratulations to those who have faithfully supported this program. Your efforts to feed the hungry are greatly appreciated and we thank you.

R.S.KANE
FUNERAL HOME

Serving The Community

Since 1950

6150 Yonge Street
Toronto, Ontario
M2M 3W9

Tel: 416-221-1159
info@rskane.ca
www.rskane.ca

Canadian Independent



RE/MAX
GoldenWay Realty Inc., Brokerage
Alana Papeo, Broker
CWL President
905-707-8199 apapeo@trebnet.com

Custom Design • Renovation • Gifts
KANGEN WATER®
(Electrolyzed Reduced Water)
Catherine Ger
Parishioner & Decorator
416-904-7949 gerinteriors@hotmail.com

Dr. Ricky Leung
Dentistry
Trust us with your smile
2900 Steeles Ave. E. Suite 201
(2nd Floor Shops on Steeles/Hwy 404) 905-881-3434

Max Pinto Insurance
& Financial Services Inc.
Home • Auto • Life • Critical Illness
RRSP • Business • Travel

3333 Bayview Ave.
Unit 202
416-512-8585



A Better Place
For You
Max Pinto CLU, B.Com.
maxpinto_insfinserv@cooperators.ca



VILLANOVA
COLLEGE

An Independent Catholic School
in the Augustinian Tradition

Grades 4 through 12

Contact Admissions
admissions@villanovacollege.ca
905-833-1909
www.villanovacollege.org
2480 15th Sideroad
King City



Turning Dreams into Realty

Conrad Castellino
Sales Representative
Parishioner
ccastellino@trebnet.com
Cell: 416 523 1014 Bus: 905 513 8878



DON MILLS CLEANERS
Eco Friendly
All work done on premises
Pickup & Delivery
3881 Don Mills Rd.
416-493-1517

Taxes, Accounting & Financial Planning
J. Liwanpo, C.A., CFP
www.liwanpo.com
207-2900 Steeles Ave. E.
905-881-6257

Senior's Day Special
first Friday of every month
BROUGHTON'S
Church Supplies, Religious Books & Gifts
416-690-4777
322 Consumers Rd., North York

THE PERFECT SPOT
TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!

TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL
1-800-268-2637

ABARQUEZ GROUP INC.
TEL: 905-707-5545
FAX: 905-707-0756
www.abarquezgroup.com

A Company Specializing in:
Wealth Conservation Retirement Planning
Personal Insurance Planning Benefits Planning

*"If you plan where you are going,
you will likely get there."*

Auto genics
Total Auto Service
"The Feel Good Difference"
Great, Honest & Courteous Service for 32 years
**5% discount to parishioners +
5% donation to Good Shepherd**
Pat & Teri Patton - Parishioners
50 Don Park Rd., #1 905-477-7470
At Woodbine & Denison
(behind Swiss Chalet Plaza)

ROSE KHOSRAVANI
Broker
Preferred Rate
For Parishioners
416.276.6960
Century 21
Heritage Group Ltd., Brokerage
Office: 905-764-7111



God is love,
and he who abides in love
abides in God,
and God abides in him.

Nor-Line
Plumbing &
Heating Specialists
1-866-737-5922

Tree Valley
Garden Centre Ltd.
4431 Stouffville Rd.
(W. of McCowan)
treevalley.ca 905-640-2020

Produly Serving the Community

NOFRILLS
won't be beat®
3555 Don Mills Road (Corner Finch Ave.)

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
FUNERAL SERVICES
In keeping with your Catholic faith
www.catholic-cemeteries.com
Holy Cross Cemetery & Funeral Home
905-889-7467

Highland Funeral Home
Markham Chapel
by Arbor Memorial
Arbor Memorial Inc.

Because family matters!
905-887-8600
highlandfuneralhome.ca/markham