

# THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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#### **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.

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

## $May 29^{th}$ – $June 2^{nd}$

Tues. 8:30 am – John Fernando ♥ Wed. 8:30 am – In Thanksgiving Thurs. Noon - Anthony Toscano ♥ Fri. 8:30 am – Kevin D'Mello ♥ Sat. 4:30 pm – James Hogan ♥

# Readings:

Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 24.3-8 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 9.11-15 Gospel: Mark 14.12-16,22-26



# **St ShareLife**

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Camila was attending programs at Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers when she and her daughter were kicked out of the family home. As counsellors helped her search for an affordable apartment, she became pregnant a second time. Despite these challenges, Camila attended every program available to her at Rose of Sharon. At the end of the year, she walked out a stronger woman with a plan to achieve the life she wants for herself and her daughters. Last year, at ShareLife-funded agencies that assist young mothers, over 1,000 clients like Camila received support for their new families.

Today is ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:



Sunday, June 3, next Sunday, at the 11:00 am Mass we will welcome precious little ones and their families to Good Shepherd Church where the children will receive Holy Communion

for the very first time. This is an exciting time for them, their families and their friends.

#### THE WORD THIS WEEK:

"Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."



When the Church celebrates the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, it is

an attempt to summarize the whole mystery of our God into one day. This is not just a "theological feast" but a feast which should speak to us of this simple fact of faith: the Father loves us, has revealed that love in his Son, and has called us into a relationship sustained by the Spirit. It is our joy that, as baptized members of the Church, we can somehow share in that divine life and love which, is the Trinity becoming children of God. God has chosen us, and we are his own people, just as he chose the people of Israel long ago. The mystery of the Trinity is not meant to make this more difficult - on the contrary it is to clarify and summarize all that our faith is about: that we are children - with the Son, in the power of the Spirit - of the one Father.

Trinity Sunday is a day to reflect upon and celebrate just who our God is. God is revealed to us first and foremost as a saving God. That is what today's reading celebrates. The Jewish people knew their God's identity because of His saving acts.

Christian belief in the Trinity was not the result of philosophical reflection on the nature of God. Rather, it developed as Christians reflected on their experience of salvation in Jesus Christ and the presence of His spirit – the Spirit crying out to God, revealed by Christ as "Abba, Father" – within their very souls.

God, mysteriously, lives in relationship: the Trinity, though one God, is a loving, life-giving relationship of three Divine Persons, and we are invited to share in the unity. Through the power of

the Holy Spirit we can cry "Abba! Father," because we are co-heirs with Jesus our brother and children of His Father. We are people of great dignity and of great responsibility. We are the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.



#### FIRST FRIDAY: June 1st

Mass will be at 8:30 am. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will commence at the end of Mass and continue until noon when the Blessed Sacrament will be retired. A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church if you can commit to a specific time.

#### Third Annual CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION



"Processions teach the heart to follow unswervingly." This is our witness to Christ Jesus our King.

#### **Sunday, June 3, 2016**

Please bring your family and friends and ioin your fellow parishioners, on the

Church grounds, for a small procession immediately after the 11:00 am Mass to celebrate The Feast of Corpus Christi. This tradition is ardently followed around the world, as well as in many Canadian parishes, and we are pleased to celebrate it in the Good Shepherd Parish. Coffee and refreshments will be served following the procession.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:**

The Annual General Meeting of the Catholic Women's League will be held on Monday, May 28th at 7:00 p.m. The Financial Statement for 2017 will be



presented for approval. Also this month, we are featuring a "Laugh and Learn" presentation by Karen Shinn, a certified move manager with the Downsizing Diva who has been helping seniors downsize, organize and move for many years. All the ladies of the parish are encouraged to come and bring a friend.

#### Diaper/Food Drive for Rosalie Hall Tim Horton's \$5 Gift Cards June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>

As summertime approaches, the food and diaper supplies for the babies at Rosalie Hall are in short supply, also the number of homeless people on the streets of Toronto increase. Responding to God's call to help the poor, the CWL is organizing a Food and Diaper Drive for Rosalie Hall and a collection of \$5 Tim Horton's Gift Cards for distribution to the homeless on the streets this summer. The collection of these items will take place on the weekend of June 9th and 10th. The most needed items at Rosalie Hall are newborn size diapers and formula, although all sizes of diapers and baby food will be most welcome.

#### **CONFIRMATION:** May 27, 2018



Twenty-seven students from the Parish will receive the Sacramental

graces of Confirmation this Sunday afternoon.

The Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation Eucharist are Sacraments of Initiation. and Confirmandi are invited to share more deeply in the grace received at Baptism. They are strengthened in their faith and fully take their place as members of the Church. Pope Paul VI explained: "The faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the Sacrament of Confirmation and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life."

Let us rejoice with the Confirmandi, their parents and guests as we celebrate this beautiful Sacrament.



#### **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

#### **IMPORTANT!**

We are deeply grateful for your participation in the collection of "refundable" beer, wine and liquor bottles /cans and **pop cans** which are being redeemed for

wheelchairs for the needy. However ... please bring WE ASK . . . only refundable cans. We cannot use empty soup, or vegetable and other food cans and PLEASE bring them only on the



designated **SECOND** weekend of the month. We do not have storage space and they attract bugs and other uninvited guests.

Thank you!





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