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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 School**

St. Michael Catholic Academy 905-889-4816

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# TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – October 21, 2018



Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>

Tues. 8:30 am - Helen & Brian Leung -  
Sp. Intention

Wed. 8:30 am - Francis Ip †

Thurs. Noon - Rose Perumal †

Fri. 8:30 am - Agnes Teresa Lee †

Sat. 4:30 pm - Anthony Toscano †

## READINGS FOR – October 28<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 31.7-9

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 5.1-6

Gospel: Mark 10.46-52



## THE WORD THIS WEEK

*"The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many."*

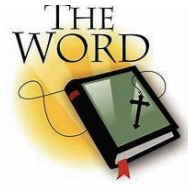
"Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."

We can often identify with both James and John from this gospel passage when we directly ask God for what we want. Or perhaps we do it indirectly. We attend Mass regularly, act more obediently and secretly hope that God is noticing and will make our requests come to fruition.

Think of how often you have treated Jesus like that one friend whom you call only when you need something. Imagine if your phone rang only when people needed something from you. It would become pretty tiresome. However, Jesus does not scold his disciples, or us, for these requests. In fact, Jesus works with all the flaws and imperfections, like a potter can work with clay. With strong and skillful hands He smooths out the rough and damaged parts. With insight and love, He sees the unique strength and worth of what His hands are holding. With tenderness and patience, He waits for the inner beauty and intrinsic value of what He is working with to reveal itself.

Jesus makes reference to His ultimate sacrifice. Jesus makes it clear that His greatness is different to that sought among the gentiles - He will give his very life, and so become the first of all. We should take His words about the worldly way of behaving to heart. He tries to explain that He has come to die on the cross, to pay for sins of the world, so that we may have a loving relationship with God.

God hears all of our requests. He knows exactly what we need and when we need it. We have all made some big requests, and while God might not seem to answer when we want Him to, He answers when we need Him to. He has given much more than what has been asked. He gave the ultimate sacrifice of his only Son.



## World Mission Sunday October 21

Today we celebrate World Mission Sunday. We are called to offer our prayers and support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, for the worldwide mission of Christ. We are asked to reach out to the peripheries, people in remote villages, towns and cities by using the witness and work of missionaries and local priests. Please keep all missionaries in your daily prayers.

## Heads Up: Headcount October 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>

Please note, the Archdiocese will be conducting a headcount survey in all parish and mission communities the weekend of October 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

The monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held on Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> beginning with Mass at 7:00 pm. New members are always welcome.



## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Gentle reminder, please indicate your donation amount on your envelopes. This will help the counters immensely. Thank you



## Spirituality in the Second Half of Life

Friday, Oct. 26, 2018

9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Topic: **"Gratitude and Celebration"**

**Inviting men & women 50+ to attend.**



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children's First Reconciliation and Holy Communion Spring 2019 Sacramental Preparation for children in Grade 2 or older, will occur through a series of classes that you attend with your child on Saturday mornings beginning on Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:45 to 11:00 a.m., at the church. First Holy Communion Mass is planned for Sunday June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the 11:00 a.m. mass. To register, we ask that you please attend an information session on Tue. Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. A copy of your child's baptism certificate and a fee of \$35 (cash or cheques made out to Good Shepherd Parish) is required for registration.

If you are unable to attend the information session or have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Nisha Fernandes via email: [nisha.fernandes@medportal.ca](mailto:nisha.fernandes@medportal.ca).

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

**Wed., November 7<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 to 8 pm**



Our parish runs on volunteer power and each and every individual is important to the overall success of our community. Father Anthony would like to invite all those who volunteer to drop in, here at the church, on **Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** between the hours of 6:30 and 8:00 pm for a small reception including sandwiches, hot hors d'oeuvres, vegetables & dip, dessert, wine, coffee, tea etc. PLUS a Raffle. We ask that you contact your committee leader to confirm your attendance, and once again, thank you for all you do to assist us.



## CLOTHING DRIVE October 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>

This weekend, The Knights of Columbus and CWL will be collecting your donations of **MEN'S** clothing for Good Shepherd Refuge. Warm outerwear is especially needed as winter is not far away. (Clothing for women and babies are welcome as these will be given to Rosalie Hall.) Please label all items as this will save time when sorting. Thank you for helping those less fortunate.

## Magnificat Breakfast

Saturday, November 3, 2018  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Claireport Centre



65 Claireport Crescent, Etobicoke

Join us for our 42<sup>nd</sup> Magnificat breakfast for women. Treat your mother, sister, colleague, friend or yourself to an inspirational morning that includes a hot breakfast, songs of praise and worship led by our spirit-filled music ministry, a personal testimony of the transforming love of Christ in the life of an invited speaker. Priests are available for women wishing to avail themselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation. Guest Speaker: Dolores Miccio.

**CONTACT:** Frances

**PHONE:** 416-749-0553

**COST:** \$30 each

**WEB/REGISTRATION:** [http://www.stbenedicts.ca/docs/2018\\_Magnificat\\_Breakfast.html](http://www.stbenedicts.ca/docs/2018_Magnificat_Breakfast.html).

Tickets will not be sold at the door.

## Humanae Vitae Conference - Faithful to God's Design

Saturday, November 10, 2018 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

9 a.m. - Mass with Cardinal Collins at St. Basil's Parish, 50 St. Joseph St., Toronto

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Conference

Sam Sorbara Auditorium

Brennan Hall, University of St. Michael's College

81 St. Mary St., Toronto

All are welcome to attend a one-day conference marking the 50th anniversary of Blessed Pope Paul VI's encyclical letter *Humanae Vitae*. Mary Eberstadt, Dr. Maria Wolfs, Steven Mosher and Fr. Raymond de Souza will speak on the prophetic and enduring wisdom of this encyclical. The day begins with Mass with Cardinal Collins at St. Basil's Parish, followed by a full-day conference at the University of St. Michael's College. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for students and free for religious and clergy.

**TICKETS:** [bit.ly/HumanaeVitaeTO](http://bit.ly/HumanaeVitaeTO)

**WEBSITE:** [www.archtoronto.org/hv50](http://www.archtoronto.org/hv50)

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