



# THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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## **Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Iacobelli

**Deacons:** Michael Gennaro  
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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

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](http://www.tcdsb.org) or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca)

email: [gspadmin@bellnet.ca](mailto:gspadmin@bellnet.ca)

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# FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 10, 2019

## MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK



Feb 12<sup>TH</sup> – Feb 16<sup>TH</sup>

Tues. 8:30 am - Bette Picket - Sp. Intention

Wed. 8:30 am - Patricia Man †

Thurs. Noon - Anthony Freer †

Fri. 8:30 am - Fausto Ignagni †

Sat. 4:30 pm - Alexander Todd †

## READINGS FOR – February 17<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 17.5-8

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.12, 16-20

Gospel: Luke 6.17, 20-26



## LENTEN COURSE

### Catholicism: The Pivotal Players

#### St. Augustine and St. Benedict

Good Shepherd parish invites you to participate in a five-week film and study course beginning **Tuesday, March 12, 2019**. Join us as Bishop Robert Barron traces the lives and contributions of these two incredible Saints.

Registration: Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> after all Masses.

## FEED MY LAMBS

Next weekend is the monthly collection of frozen casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre. 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. Thank you to all those who help feed the hungry. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.



## 2019 PARISH SPRING SOCIAL

Save the date!! April 27, 2019!!

The Knights of Columbus are preparing our "Spring Social". More details to follow.



## THE WORD THIS WEEK

**"They left everything and followed him."**

How the wisdom of God differs from the wisdom of men! If a businessman of today (or



even of the year 28 A.D.) were choosing a chairman and assistants for the world-wide enterprise he was about to set up, is it likely that he would choose them from among the unknown, unlettered fishermen of Galilee? Yet Christ, who was about to set up not only a world-wide institute but an everlasting one, chose these simple fishermen and made them his assistants and his successors in the work that he had taken in hand.

And it wasn't that he was restricted in his choice. There were many highly educated priests and scribes in Jerusalem whom he could have won over, men who could preach and instruct so much more eloquently than Peter or Andrew. Yet it was to none of these that Christ entrusted the arduous task of spreading the good news of the Gospel, it was to none of these that he gave the keys of his kingdom.

Christ was not influenced in his judgement by external, accidental qualifications. He judged the heart and the will. He knew the true worth of men. Furthermore, the society that he was about to set up was not a worldly business concern but a free transport system to heaven. The truths he was committing to its keeping were not based on earthly wisdom which would require eloquence and prestige to bolster them up. They were the eternal, divine truths which needed no human propaganda, no help from mere men.

While thanking God today for our Christian religion, with its clearly-drawn map of salvation, let us show our appreciation by doing our own little part, as humble apostles, weak but willing helpers of Christ. This we can do without eloquence, or personal prestige. We do so by living as true Christians in our homes, in our places of work, and in our recreations, by carrying our cross daily and patiently, ever ready to give a hand when the neighbor's cross seems too heavy for him. This will be Christian eloquence, this will be a true apostleship of Christ, because actions speak louder than words.





## MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, February 15, 2019

At 7:00 pm

**“For Greater Glory: The True Story of Cristiada”**

In this epic action film, an impassioned group of men and women risk everything for family, faith and the very future of their country. The film’s adventure unfolds against the long-hidden true story of the 1920’s Cristero War – the daring people’s revolt that rocked the 20th Century North America.

## Ministry with Maturing Adults Spirituality in the Second Half of Life Winter Program

Inviting men and women (50+) to learn more about faith development in the second half of life.

Friday, February 15, 2019 – “Personal Prayer”

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

Facilitator: Viola Athaide

Register: [gspadmin@bellnet.ca](mailto:gspadmin@bellnet.ca) or phone

905-881-1534

## 2019 LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

**Saturday, March 2, 2019**

**8:00 am to 5:30 pm**

**Metro Toronto Convention Centre**

**255 Front St. W., Toronto**



The theme of this year's rally is **“Hope in the midst of Suffering.”** “... we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; character; and hope.” Romans 5:3-4. Featuring inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Fr. Mark Goring, CC; an adult High Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins; a youth Mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Fr. Mark Goring; a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits.

Cost: \$25 for Adults - \$15 for youth

Contact: Catholic Renewal Ministries

Phone: 647-243-9441 or 905-270-2510

Email: [contact@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca](mailto:contact@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca)

## FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT WEEKEND

The First Communion Enrolment Weekend will be on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at all Masses, we will welcome the Grade 2 students who will be receiving their First Holy Communion. The Enrolment Ceremony encourages families to continue to attend Mass together, as well as making the children feel welcome, recognized and witnessed through the congregation. The children will be asked to come up to the Altar at the end of Mass to present their “Hearts” before the final Blessing.



### Come & See Weekend at St. Augustine's Seminary

**Friday, March 15, 2019 7:00 pm to**

**Sunday, March 17, 2019 1:30 pm**

The Office of Vocations is hosting a Come & See Weekend for single Catholic men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary from Friday, March 15 (7:00 p.m.) to Sunday, March 17 (1:30 p.m.) 2019, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. For more information, Please contact the Office of Vocations at: 416 968 0997; or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org). Registrations can be done online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).

### Holy Cross Catholic Funeral Home

**211 Langstaff Road East, Thornhill**

**Thursday, February 28 – 7 to 8 p.m.**

We are honoured to be able to share with you information about the beginning of a series of free Bereavement Seminars for 2019. Our families have reached out to us and have asked for added support after the funeral of their love one. We want to continue to care for our families beyond the day of the funeral. We are now hosting Bereavement Seminars at Holy Cross Funeral Home in Thornhill. This is a very casual evening and is intended to bring a sense of community and understanding as we all are there for a common purpose...learning to cope the loss of a loved One. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

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