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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**

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# TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Sept. 15, 2019

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> - Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>

Tues. 8:30 am – Malena Dulanto †

Wed. 8:30 am – In Thanksgiving – Coutinho Family

Thurs. Noon – Sp. Intention – Tonis Kilp

Fri. 8:30 am – Fausto Ignagni †

Sat. 4:30 pm – Nicholas Belak †

## READINGS FOR – September 22<sup>nd</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Amos 8.4-7

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Timothy 2.1-7++

Gospel: Luke 16.1-13



## THE WORD THIS WEEK

***“There will be rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner.”***

The message of God’s forgiveness is one that we are familiar with, but which the Lord still wishes to emphasize. Our human approach to forgiveness is so often flawed; we hold grudges, erect barriers, make demands and establish conditions. Jesus wants to remind us that God’s forgiveness is overflowing and bountiful. Saint Paul was well aware of this: he had persecuted the Church, calling himself “the greatest of sinners”; and yet, thanks to the “inexhaustible patience” of God, he can count himself a believer. We must be open to the gift of forgiveness for ourselves, and also (as the Parable of the Elder Brother shows) open to that forgiveness offered to others whom we would condemn.

We are all sinners in one way or another. We have all gone astray, got lost like the sheep and the coin in those stories, sometime or other. What is worse, we are all capable of going astray from God again at any moment. If we had only the justice of God to deal with we might well despair, our chances of reaching heaven would be slight indeed. We are dealing, however, with a God of infinite mercy, who loves us with a love we cannot grasp or understand. God does not cast us out forever as sinners unworthy of His gifts. Instead, He foresees such folly on our part, and has left us lessons of encouragement, as in today’s parables, and set up in the Church ways and means to carry on His work of mercy for weak, mortal men. During His life on earth, Christ dealt mostly with sinners—he said he came to save the lost sheep of the house of Israel. He told the Pharisees that it was the sick who needed a doctor, not those who were well. The Pharisees in their pride thought they were not sick but they were, and He was only too ready to heal them too if only they would let Him.

We are all sinners to a greater or lesser degree. With this knowledge and conviction, which any true Christian must have, of the infinite mercy of God, no sinner need ever, and should never, despair. No sinner was ever lost and no sinner will ever be lost, because of his sins. Sinners are lost only because they will not trust and believe in God’s mercy and turn to Him to ask for pardon.



## WELCOME SEPTEMBER

Gentle reminder, to welcome back all parishioners, The Knights of Columbus invite you to join them after each of the masses this weekend for some light refreshments.

## HUMANITARIAN RELIEF HURRICANE DORIAN

Last week, Hurricane Dorian devastated the Caribbean nation of the Bahamas and caused significant damage in Nova Scotia and along the Atlantic coast of the United States. In an effort to support those have been most directly impacted by Hurricane Dorian, the Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting funds that will be sent through our Catholic relief partners. Contributions can be made through our parishes and through the Archdiocese of Toronto online portal at [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org).

**Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:**

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to Good Shepherd Parish 2019 Hurricane Dorian – Disaster Relief



**FALL SCRIPTURE STUDY**  
**Little Rock Scripture Study**  
**Alive in the Word Series**



**Sarah & Hagar – Women of Promise**  
**Trust – Confidence in the God of Salvation**

Course Length – 6 Weeks

Registration – Weekend of September 14/15

Cost: \$15.00

Start Date: Tuesday September 17, 2019

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Ministry with Maturing Adults**  
**at Good Shepherd Church**

Inviting men and women (50+) to learn more about faith development in the second half of life. First session - Friday, Sept. 20, 2019

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

Topic: **“The Golden Years Seminar”**

For people in the golden years and those who love them or care for them.

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

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**Faith in the Public Square**

Political observers expect the October 2019 Federal Election to be particularly negative and divisive.

There is speculation regarding the possibility of illegal or improper interference to manipulate the democratic process. Given the hostile discussions on social media and the aggressive debate in the House of Commons, such political incivility is unsurprising to many.

During this election and throughout our earthy journey, our faith call on us to be a light in the darkness. We have a duty to be well informed and to vote. Before we vote, we should reflect on how Catholic social teaching can guide our discernment about pressing policy issues. We should pray for those running for office, recognizing that politics is an important vocation. In the words of the Archbishop of Toronto, Cardinal Thomas Collins, we must always speak “with clarity and with charity.”

To help prepare for the 2019 Federal Election, the Archdiocese of Toronto has compiled a series of resources that will help you discern your vote. These are non-partisan documents that we hope will utilize to reflect on a variety of issues from a Catholic perspective. You can access these resources at: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

**9 AM CHILDREN & 11 AM ADULT CHOIRS**  
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Join us as we prepare for the  
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**CHOIR PRACTICES FOR 9 AM**  
**CHILDREN’S CHOIR**

Every Sunday after the 9 a.m. Mass  
(10:00 – 10:40 a.m.)

**CHOIR PRACTICES FOR 11 AM**  
**ADULT CHOIR**

Every Thursday – in the Church from 7:15 – 9:00 p.m.



**REQUIREMENTS**

Be able to commit to weekly choir practices. A desire to help lead our congregation in song. Sing regularly at Sunday Mass, Holy Days, and Feast Days as requested by the Pastor. No formal music training is required.

For information contact Eugenie Landry, Music Director at [eugenievlандry@rogers.com](mailto:eugenievlандry@rogers.com) or 905-881-1534

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY**

Children ages 3-6 are welcome to join us in the parish hall during the



**9:00 am** Mass beginning Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. We very urgently need both student and especially adult volunteers, or else this program cannot continue to run.

A reminder for high school students: assisting with this program qualifies as part of your mandatory community service assignment.



**ALTAR SERVERS**

Boys and girls from Grades 5 through 12 are invited to become Altar Servers. For those interested, please fill in a registration form, found at the bookshelf in the foyer and return it to the office. New servers are needed for all Masses. Orientation and training for new servers will take place in October.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE**

The regular monthly meeting of the CWL will be held on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> beginning with Mass at 7:00 pm. All ladies of the parish are welcome to join us.



***“To show great love for God and our neighbor we need not do great things. It is how much love we put in the doing that makes our offering something beautiful for God.”***

*Mother Teresa*

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