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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 or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or www.ycdsb.ca

email: gspadmin@bellnet.ca

website: goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Sept. 22, 2019

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Sept. 24th - Sept. 28th

Tues. 8:30 am – Agnes Theresa Lee †
Wed. 8:30 am – Elizabeth Freer †
Thurs. Noon – In Thanksgiving (Oliveira Family)
Fri. 8:30 am – Dolores Wilson †
Sat. 4:30 pm – Kightly Family †

READINGS FOR – September 29th

1st Reading: Amos 6.1a, 4-7
2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 6.11-16
Gospel: Luke 16.19-31



NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

Every year, the Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly Canada wide. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in the ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance.

“Challenges and favours which the Lord gives ... are the ways by which he wanted His Church founded and established by the Apostles and Disciples. This is the same grace he has made to the Church in Canada, by which it has taken all its force and growth, and is sustained and maintained by patience and long-suffering in peace and union with Our Lord, all as He is pleased to permit.”

Saint Francois De Laval – Bishop of New France

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.

THE WORD THIS WEEK

“You cannot be the slave both of God and money.”

It was God who created all that exists in this world. He intended these goods for the use of man. We are only managers, therefore, of these worldly goods. It is on our way of managing these goods, not on the quantity we had to manage, that our judgment will be based. Millionaires can get to heaven while all paupers have no guarantee that they will make it. Our Lord deduces two lessons for us from the parable of the unjust manager or steward.

Firstly, the enterprise which he showed in providing for his earthly happiness when he would lose his employment, was greater and keener than that shown by most of us in providing for our eternal happiness. The second lesson our Lord wishes to teach us is that we should use what we can spare of our earthly possessions in helping those who are in need of our help. By doing that, we will be making friends who will help us at the judgment seat to get a lasting reception in heaven. Remember that description of the judgment which our Lord gave when he said, "I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was naked and you clothed me"? What we do for the needy, we do for Him. Those whom we help, as far as we can, will be witnesses testifying for us when our final examination, on which our eternity will depend, comes upon us.

Two resolutions worthy of your serious consideration today in relation to earthly goods are: Never let them take up all your time. You have a far more serious purpose in life. Give it a little more thought and enterprise than you have been doing. Secondly, be grateful to God for what He has given you in this life. You might like to have a lot more, but God knows best. Work honestly and be generous with what you have. You are serving God, not money. God will be waiting for you where there is no currency, and where the one bank account that matters will be the good use that you made of your time and your share of this world's goods while you were alive. It is not too late to make sure that we are serving the master we wish to serve. To serve God faithfully with the gifts He has given us means doing out utmost to emulate His selfless, merciful love.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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. Second Session - Friday, Sept. 27, 2019

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

"The Spirituality of Struggle"

Listen and learn from Sr. Joan Chittister's teaching, based on the award winning book, *Scarred by Struggle, Transformed by Hope*. Meant to help readers cope with their own suffering and disappointment, it is an invitation to look at the struggles of life in order that we might remember how to recognize new life in our souls the next time our hearts turn to clay.

Register: gspadmin@bellnet.ca or phone 905-881-1534

CWL Annual Apple Pie Event

Ladies and gentlemen! We welcome anyone who would like to help us on Saturday, October 5th, peeling and cutting 15 bushels of apples and assembling pies. An 'Early Bird' start at 8:00 am preparing apples and from 9:00 am until about 1:00 pm assembling pies. Please sign up at the back of the church today. Bring your favourite peeler, paring knife, cutting board and lots of enthusiasm. We will provide the pastry and all the other ingredients. Pies will be sold after all the Masses October 5th and 6th. For further information contact: Mary Ann Quail at maquail59@gmail.com or 905-881-9068.



The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for Sept. 2020.

St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grades 7-12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Thursday, October 17 and Tuesday, October 22 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. We invite you to register at ApplySMCS.com. Location: St. Michael's College School, 1515 Bathurst St. (at St. Clair Ave. West). St. Michael's College School offers a generous bursary program that provides financial aid to qualifying students.

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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 eugenievlndry@rogers.com or 905-881-1534



Educate, Reflect, Act!

Thursday, October 3, 2019 – 7:30 p.m. Federal Election Debate From A Catholic Perspective

New Viewing Locations Announced!

Thanks to an overwhelming response, in just three days, more than 1,000 free tickets were ordered for the Thursday, October 3, 2019 Federal Election Debate from a Catholic Perspective. While tickets for the John Bassett Theatre are sold out, four archdiocesan parishes (located in Brampton, North York, Barrie and Oshawa) equipped with the appropriate technology are opening their halls for viewing parties to bring interested Catholics together to participate in this important evening. Individuals can also livestream the event from their own home should they wish to do so. To order free tickets for a viewing party near you or to learn more about the livestream, the debate and related resources, please visit www.archtoronto.org/election.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The general monthly meeting for the Knights of Columbus will be held this Wednesday, September 25th beginning with Mass at 7:00 pm. New members are always welcome.



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