



# 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

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

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# SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS – Nov. 1, 2020

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>

Tues. 8:30 am – Jae-Sun Park †

Wed. 8:30 am – Ines Nurisso †

Thurs. Noon – Mark Williams †

Fri. 8:30 am – Raymond Kan †

Sat. 4:30 pm – Deceased Members of the Knights  
of Columbus – Good Shepherd Council 8340 †

## READINGS FOR – November 8<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13



## DISTRIBUTION OF 2021 PARISH OFFERTORY BOXES

Offertory Envelopes are available for pick-up

**A through Z** inclusive this weekend. Please enter the church hall two at a time leaving enough space for social distancing in the hall and the foyer. We kindly ask parishioners to also pick up boxed envelopes for those they know that are not attending Mass during this pandemic. Please avoid touching other boxes when picking up. Once you have picked up your envelopes please exit through the parish hall doors. Arrangements can also be made to pick up envelopes through the office during business hours (Monday through Friday – 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.). Please call in advance at 905-881-1534. Thank you for your cooperation.



## ALL SOULS DAY MASS WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup> AT 8:30 A.M.

"I encourage Catholics to pray fervently for the dead, for their family members and for all our brothers and sisters who have died, that they may obtain the remission of the punishments due to their sins and may hear the Lord's call: 'Come, O my dear soul, to eternal repose in the arms of my goodness, which has prepared eternal delights for you.'"

Pope John Paul II

## SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Dear Parishioners,

In order to assist in limiting the spread of the COVID-19 virus and to adhere to the regulations of the Government of Ontario during this state of emergency, all churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto have limited attendance capacity at this time.

At a time like this it can be uncomfortable to talk about giving. Our primary concern is the health and well-being of our parishioners. However, these difficult circumstances show just how important the offertory is to the life of our parishes. The reality is that our parishes rely on the support of their parishioners to operate – parish salaries, programs and ongoing operating costs (heating, water, electricity, etc.) are funded through the generosity of its parishioners. It will be a challenge for a parish to maintain operations without the usual weekly offertory collection.

If you are unable to attend Mass at this time, there are several ways you can continue to support your parish at this time:

- Drop off or mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office.
- Contribute through pre-authorized giving if your parish offers it. You can obtain a form from your parish office. Contributions are withdrawn from your bank account on the 20th of each month.
- You can contribute to the offertory via on-line banking. To do this, we need to send you your unique account number. Please e-mail us at [campaign@archtoronto.org](mailto:campaign@archtoronto.org). In the body of the email provide us with your name, address, parish name and municipality. We will email you your account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a payee in your on-line banking. Your gift will be forwarded to your parish. You can make a one time or recurring gift to your offertory.

If you have any questions we'll be pleased to assist in our Development Office at the Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-934-3400, ext. 540.





## FIRST FRIDAY

November 6, 2020

**Mass on First Friday, 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.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MASS FOR DECEASED COUNCIL 8340 MEMBERS NOVEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>



Father Anthony will offer Mass at 4:30 p.m. in memory of all deceased Brothers of the Knights of Columbus Good Shepherd Council 8340.

## The Rosary



Join us at 4:10 p.m. each Saturday as well as Tuesday through Friday at the completion of our daily Mass.

## Ministry with Maturing Adults

You are invited to a presentation on Zoom by Dr. Mark Wise.

Topic: **"A Pertinent Pandemic Potpourri"**

Date: November 5, 2020

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Dr. Wise will talk about the COVID-19 pandemic and related issues like infections, public health and vaccines.

Please email or call the office to get the Zoom link.



**Daylight Saving Time:** Turn your clocks **BACK** 1 hour this weekend.

## CASSEROLE COLLECTION/OLD TOWELS

October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>

Heartfelt thanks to all who donated old towels and casseroles. Your continued support and generosity to this worthy cause is much appreciated.



## THE WORD THIS WEEK

Today we celebrate and give thanks for the witness and companionship of those we call the Saints. The communion of Saints includes, in its broadest sense, not only those formally recognized by the Church but also the exemplary people of faith whom we encounter in our communities and our families. The Saints – both those who have gone before us and those who walk among us still – are icons of holiness, windows through which we glimpse the face of God.

All of us are called to holiness, to a life shaped by gospel values. Today's reading of the Beatitudes offers us some guidelines. Bombarded by the lures of consumerism, we are called to be poor in spirit. In a world beset by war and violence, we are called to be peacemakers. In a society that prioritizes competitiveness and ruthless individuality, we are called to be humble. Where grief and discouragement prevail, we are called to be merciful. In the face of injustice, we are invited to "hunger and thirst for righteousness."

Today we pray for the grace to recognize that we are all called to be saints. In the words of the psalm, may we live with "clean hands and pure hearts," as we look forward in hope to sharing in the light of eternal life.

(Krystyna Higgins)



## Supporting Quality Long-term Care During the Pandemic

The Providence Healthcare's Houses of Providence is a ShareLife-funded long-term care residence for seniors in Scarborough.

"It's been hard during Covid-19 since we're not happy to be inside all the time, but we understand the precautions that staff are taking," says Mary, a resident.

"Providence staff have been absolutely wonderful and are doing a good job. I appreciate that all the staff are extremely careful with us, making sure we are safe. I thank them every time I see them for their hard work."

**November 8 is the next ShareLife Sunday. From now through November 8, you can double the impact of your donation. A generous donor is matching gifts up to \$500,000. Please give during the special collection or anytime using the ShareLife envelopes at the back of the church. You can also give securely online at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate).**

Cardinal Thomas Collins



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