



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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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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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JUNE 27, 2021



June 29th – July 3rd

Tues. 8:30 am – Peter Cullen †

Wed. 8:30 am -

Thurs. Noon - Anthony & Cecilia Toscano †

Fri. 8:30 am - Teresa Oliviera †

Sat. 4:30 pm - James Young-Bin Park †

READINGS FOR – July 4th

1st Reading: Ezekiel 2.3-5

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 12.7-10

Gospel: Mark 6.1-6



The Word This Week

"Little girl, I tell you to get up!"

Today we are invited to marvel at one of the most dramatic and amazing of the Lord's miracles; the raising back to life of the daughter of Jairus. The story is told with a level of emotional realism: the calm faith but dreadful fear of Jairus, the servants who bring the news of his daughter's death, the calm reassurance of Jesus and even the laughter of the servant who mock Jesus, all these make this a story that can engage us and speak to us. And what it says is something profound: all the miracles of the Lord proclaim the Kingdom of God, the world the way God wants it to be. God does not want us to die: death is not part of God's plan for us. This is reinforced by the unfamiliar first reading from the book of Wisdom, which opens our listening to God's Word today with the dramatic phrase, "Death was not God's doing." God created us to live forever and the raising of Jairus' daughter to life is a vivid and outstanding proclamation of this truth. Today's Gospel clearly shows us who Jesus truly is. He is the Son of God. He could sense the "power had gone forth from him" when the hemorrhaging woman touched His garment. Jesus is inviting and challenging us to walk in faith. May we begin to live not according to our limited view but by God's limitless possibilities.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

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. It will be a challenge for a parish to maintain operations without the usual weekly offertory collection.

- 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.

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



Bundle Up For Saint Vincent de Paul!



Postponed

Due to pandemic situation, it has been decided to delay this project until the July 24/25 weekend. The St. Vincent de Paul Society will leave a truck in our parking lot for the week-end and it will be staffed by Good Shepherd Knights of Columbus and the ladies of the Catholic Women's League. Please hold on to your items. Thank you for your continued support.



WE ARE OPEN

We are excited to share that thanks to an amendment to the provincial government's re-opening plan, the Archdiocese of Toronto has returned to in-person Mass. Worship Safe protocols will continue to be in place at this time.

Churches will be able to accommodate up to 15 per cent of the building's capacity, with six-feet of physical distancing between households. In Stage Two, which is expected to commence in July, capacity limits will increase to 25 per cent, with physical distancing.

Livestream Masses will continue to be offered at many parishes for those who cannot physically attend Mass at this time. The dispensation from Sunday Mass continues at this time.

Parish Mass Live Stream

Sunday mass at the Good Shepherd Parish will be live streamed at 9:00 a.m. for your participation. Access is provided through the website under "News and Events". On the menu bar select "Parish Mass Videos" and follow the "View Parish Mass Videos" link. A video recording of the mass will also be available shortly after the completion of the mass.

We may pray this

Act of Spiritual Communion when we are not able to be physically present at Mass:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself. If wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

ShareLife agencies are there for you too. Please remember that ShareLife organizations are also there to help you. If you, your family or other loved ones are in need of support from the services of a ShareLife funded agency, visit sharelife.org and click on the "Need Help?" button.

Please make your sacrificial gift to our ShareLife campaign through the parish office, on our website, or at sharelife.org. Please give generously.



July 1st is celebrated as Canada's birthday. Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles and attitudes.

Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that all God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.



"FEED MY LAMBS"

The June 2021 Casserole Collection totaled 37 casseroles and 7 lbs. of other foods. The Casserole Program will continue in its original format, in that Casseroles will be mainly collected before each of the three Masses on the third week-end of the month. They may also be dropped off at the Parish office during the week and stored until pickup date. Announcements will be made from the pulpit as a reminder monthly. To all who participate in this work of charity your efforts to feed the hungry are greatly appreciated and we thank you.



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