

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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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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email: gspadmin@bellnet.ca website: goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org

July 6th – July 10th

Tues. 8:30 am - Andrew Kwan ∜ Wed. 8:30 am - Harry Knightly ∜

Thurs. Noon - Helen D'Souza - Sp. Int.

Fri. 8:30 am - Rita & Xavier George – Sp. Int.

Sat. 4:30 pm - Theresa Wai King Wong &

READINGS FOR - July 11th

1st Reading: Amos 7.12-15 2nd Reading: Ephesians 1.3-14

Gospel: Mark 6.7-13



The Word This Week



"A prophet is only despised in his own country."

A prophet's job is to open people's eyes to the reality of their situation - pointing out to

them the things they would rather forget or ignore. A prophet is a sort of "national conscience", always awake to situations of injustice and always speaking out about them. A prophet is commissioned to do this by God, who sends the prophet on his mission. Jesus is just such a prophet - teaching and preaching about the Kingdom of God and the best way to live. Despite the welcome His message has received elsewhere, when He comes to His hometown He is faced with rejection-such that "he was amazed at their lack of faith." What is curious is that they seem to accept His wisdom and His miracles, but because He grew up among them they cannot accept Him as a teacher from God. We should remember that it is often hardest to stand up for the truth among those who know us well.

In this Eucharistic celebration, let us give thanks for the grace, for the life of Christ dwelling within us, that gives us the courage to be hometown prophets.

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

The provincial government announced that Ontario will be moving to Step 2 of the "Roadmap for Reopening" plan as of 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, June 30, 2021. Please note the following guidelines for implementation as of June 30, 2021:

NEW - For sacramental celebrations, churches are permitted 25 per cent capacity in Step 2

NEW – Parishes are now permitted to utilize 25 per cent capacity inside the church and 25 per cent capacity of the parish hall for overflow where applicable. As previously noted, please ensure that all WorshipSafe guidelines are followed. The faithful should be reminded not to congregate in large numbers in or around the church before or after services. Particular attention should be directed to weddings, funerals and baptisms.

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 you 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.

BULLFTINS

The bulletin will continue to be available both printed/on line until July 11, 2021. For your convenience, daily Mass intentions will be posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have any questions concerning upcoming events or pulpit announcements, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Diaper/Food Drive for The Rose of Sharon

July 3rd and 4th

As summertime approaches, the food and diaper supplies for the babies are in short supply. Responding to this need, the CWL

is organizing a Baby Food and Diaper Drive for The Rose of Sharon. What is most needed? Diapers all



sizes, Baby Wipes – Baby Wash & Lotions Baby Formula - Baby Cereal - Strained Baby Food - Baby



Cookies - Snacks – Juices. These "little ones" need our help. Thank you for your contributions.

CASSEROLE COLLECTION

FEED MY LAMBS

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass next weekend (July 10&11). You can also visit the



office during business hours (Monday – Wednesday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm) to pick up pans. Frozen casseroles will be collected before each Mass on Saturday, July 17th and Sunday, July 18th. Good Shepherd Ministries remain at the service of the poor and homeless of our City. Heartfelt thanks to those who have faithfully supported this program.

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