

# 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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# THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – NOV. 14, 2021



Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>

- Tues. 8:30 am - Michael Chung †
- Wed. 8:30 am - Szeto/Chung Family †
- Thurs. Noon - Frank Flanagan †
- Fri. 8:30 am - Andrew Kwan †
- Sat. 4:30 pm - Jack & Hilda Williams †

## READINGS FOR – Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>

- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Daniel 7.13-14
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 1.5-8
- Gospel: John 18.33b-37



## WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 14 November 2021

### MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

#### “Stretch forth your hand to the poor.”

Age-old wisdom has proposed these words as a sacred rule to be followed in life. Today these words remain as timely as ever. They help us fix our gaze on what is essential and overcome the barriers of indifference. Poverty always appears in a variety of guises and calls for attention to each particular situation. In all of these, we have an opportunity to encounter the Lord Jesus, who has revealed himself as present in the least of His brothers and sisters.

### CASSEROLE COLLECTION



GOOD SHEPHERD  
MINISTRIES

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass this weekend. Please return frozen casseroles next weekend, Nov. 20/21. We thank those who have been so committed to this

program and invite all other parishioners to participate. Each tray provides a hot, nourishing meal for 10 underprivileged people at **The Good Shepherd Centre**.

# Faith • Hope • Charity

*And now abide faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.*  
1 Corinthians 13: 13

## The Word This Week

*"He will gather his chosen from the four winds."*

The message we must learn from today's gospel comes across without any ambiguity or doubt: we must always be ready to face our judgement for we know not the day nor the hour when we will be called from this life. When or how this world will end is of no great importance to us; what is important is that we shall leave this world very soon and our eternity will depend on the state of our consciences at the moment of our departure.

A very practical way to see how we stand in relation to God and to the things of this world, is for each one of us to ask today: "How would I fare if I were called to render an account of stewardship tonight?" This is the practical question that God, through today's readings, is asking us to put to ourselves. If, to our dismay, we find there are several things which have to be put right before facing our judge we will start right away to put them right. We may get another chance, another warning, and we may not. Jesus said to his disciples: "In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky (Mk 13:24-27)."



If we value our eternal happiness we will take this warning; we will put our books in order; we will make peace with God and our neighbors—and with God's grace we will do all in our power to persevere in this good resolution.

### 2022 SUNDAY MISSALS



Missals will be available for sale (\$5.00) in the foyer of the Church this weekend.

## Ministry with Maturing Adults Inviting Men and Women 55+ to the following

**Zoom Meeting at 10:00 a.m.**

Thursday November 18 - "Grief as a Path to Spiritual Growth" - Presenter: Deacon James Shaughnessy  
To register for both, please call the Church office 905-881-1534.



### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE NOVEMBER 13/14 AND 20/21

The Catholic Women's League are very happy to announce to all of our women parishioners, that we are now able to continue with our activities. The weekends of November 13/14 and November 20/21 will be our Membership Drive. We hope that if you have not yet renewed your membership of \$25, please do so after Mass on one of these dates. We feel badly for all of those new members who joined the CWL just before Covid arrived and only had the opportunity to attend one meeting with us. You really haven't had the experience to feel a part of this wonderful organization but this will change shortly. We are planning a lovely bazar for the parish on a slightly smaller scale than previous years, our monthly meeting on December 13 and a Food Drive for Food Banks.

On Sunday, November 21, at the 11a.m. Mass, Father Anthony will present a number of our members with a special CWL pin honouring their years of involvement with Good Shepherd Catholic Women's League, as we celebrate our 40th. Anniversary.

We are optimistic that any women who have recently joined our Parish or who find that this would be a good time in their lives to join with us, that we will be able to welcome you also, into our Catholic Women's League.



## DISTRIBUTION OF 2022 OFFERTORY BOXES "A" THROUGH "L"



Distribution of Offertory envelopes will begin this weekend, November 6, after each Mass in the parish hall. To handle the current pandemic environment, distribution will be spaced out by last name. First round: last names beginning with the letter **A through L**. Please be mindful to socially distance when entering the hall; four at a time. We kindly ask parishioners to also pick up boxed envelopes for those they know that are not attending Mass during the pandemic. Once you have picked up your envelopes please exit through the back doors. Arrangements can also be made to pick up envelopes through the office during business hours (Monday through Wednesday – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) Envelope numbers over "400" have been eliminated, parishioners with those numbers have been assigned a new number. We would also like to remind you **please DO NOT** use envelopes from previous years. This will ensure that tax receipts are accurate. You may wish to consider Pre-Authorized giving. Please call the office for information and assistance. Thank you for your co-operation.



### SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>

As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. As we celebrate the 178<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Archdiocese, we honour the men who have been instruments of the "Foundations of our Faith." Called by God and ordained to care for His people, our priests serve our families, in churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on the streets. The Shepherds' Trust supports our priests to help them live their retirement years with dignity. The Shepherds' Trust collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese during the weekend of November 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>. Envelopes will be distributed this weekend. As well, please consider remembering The Shepherds' Trust in your will. This trust fund is a tangible way to care for those who cared for us and to give thanks for the blessings we have received through them. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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