

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

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

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 30, 2022



Feb. 1st – Feb. 5th

Tues. 8:30 am – Kwan Hsing Lee †

Wed. 8:30 am – Sarah Superville †

Thurs. Noon – Lia Espeche Castillo †

Fri. 8:30 am – Helen D’Souza - Special Intention

Sat. 4:30 pm – Shi Yuan Li – Special Intention

READINGS FOR – February 6th

1st Reading: Isaiah 6.1-2a, 3-8

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.3-8, 11

Gospel: Luke 5.1-11



HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR

FEBRUARY 1, 2022

新年快乐 / 新年快樂

(Xīnnián kuàilè)

Good Shepherd Parish extends heartfelt best wishes for a Happy New Year to our Asian parishioners who are such an integral part of our parish family.

YEAR OF THE TIGER



People who belong to the Tiger years are natural-born leaders who are brave, healthy and confident. They can easily become arrogant and take too many risks if they do not learn to have some humility. Tigers have rich emotional lives, which

lead them to experience many peaks and valleys. Fortunately, their passion for life also gives them a “never say die” attitude, which keeps them going with difficulties arise.

FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT

Gentle reminder for those who have not enrolled for First Communion please do so as soon as possible. Registration deadline was January 16, 2022. Seeking volunteers to help teach the course. Please contact Nisha at: nisha.fernandes@medportal.ca



The Word This Week

"Like Elijah and Elisha, Jesus is not sent to the Jews only."

In today's Gospel, the people of Nazareth refused to renounce their possessive attitude toward Jesus. He was bitterly criticized because he demonstrated great openness of heart, particularly towards people the peripheries of society. The Gospel story shows how difficult it is to attain a universal vision. When we face someone like Jesus, someone with a generous heart, a wide vision and a great spirit, our reactions are often filled with jealousy, selfishness and meanness of spirit. His own people couldn't recognize the holiness of Jesus, because they had never really accepted their own. They were suffering from a form of blindness. They couldn't honour Jesus' relationship with God because they had never fully explored their own sense of belonging to God. Until we see ourselves as people beloved of God, miracles will be scarce and the prophets and messengers who rise among us will struggle to be heard and accepted for who they are. Jesus was called to break boundaries and take God's message of salvation to unexpected people and unexpected places. Through our Baptism, we are called to be prophets for the kingdom of God. We will encounter many reactions from those to whom we are sent, not all of them positive. Unswerving dedication, bold courage and deep biblical hope must be our trademarks.



FIRST FRIDAY: February 4th

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 reposed.



Please note the office will be open Monday through Wednesday – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for those needing administrative assistance.



TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for donations made between January 1st - December 31st, 2021 will be available by the **end of February**. (Donations made on/after January 1st, 2022 will count towards next year's tax receipt.) As per the Archdiocese, donations for Masses offered are not tax deductible.



PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING



If you are currently signed up for the pre-authorized giving (PAG) plan please consider an increase in 2022. PAG is administered by the Archdiocese and donations to the church are taken directly from your bank account on a monthly basis. PAG saves time and administrative costs associated with processing donations. The PAG form is available in the foyer of the church.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS

**FEBRUARY 13, 2022 AT
2:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

St. Michael's Cathedral



Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB will preside over this special Mass and all married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows. Due to social distancing measures, in-person attendance is limited at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica and only couples celebrating their milestone 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ wedding anniversaries and one (1) guest per celebrant couple. For more information and to register visit: www.archtoronto.org/marriage. Registration will close on February 4, 2022 or when we reach maximum capacity at the Cathedral.

Pray for Tsunami-Hit Tonga

Pope Francis expresses his spiritual closeness to the people of the Pacific island nation of Tonga, following the eruption the Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai volcano which unleashed a destructive tsunami.

"My thoughts go out to the peoples of the Tonga Islands who in recent days were affected by the eruption of an underwater volcano, which caused considerable material damage. I am spiritually close to all those who are sorely-trying, and I implore from God relief in their suffering. I invite everyone to join me in prayer for these our brothers and sisters."

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. 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.

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