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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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PENTECOST SUNDAY – JUNE 5, 2022



June 7th – June 11th

- Tuesday - Helen D'Souza Sp. Intention
- Wednesday - Olga Montenegro †
- Thursday - Palmina Iacobelli Sp. Intention
- Friday - Deceased Fernandes Family †
- Saturday - Ma Liu Ching & Mok Wing Kong †

READINGS FOR – June 12th

- 1st Reading: Proverbs 8.22-31
- 2nd Reading: Romans 5.1-5
- Gospel: John 16.12-15



Twenty students from the Parish will receive the Sacramental graces of Confirmation this Sunday afternoon.

The Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are Sacraments of Initiation. Confirmandi are invited to share more deeply in the grace received at Baptism. They are strengthened in their faith and fully take their place as members of the Church. Pope Paul VI explained: "The faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the Sacrament of Confirmation and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life." Let us rejoice with the Confirmandi, their parents and guests as we celebrate this beautiful Sacrament.



Today is our third ShareLife collection. Our goal this year is \$146,000.00. To date we have achieved \$67,000.00. You are encouraged to make your donation online via the parish website or at Sharelife.org. For Pre-Authorized Giving, simply submit a void cheque with the completed form to the parish office, or drop it in the offertory basket.

**Today is ShareLife Sunday.
Thank you for your generosity.**

THE WORD THIS WEEK

"As the Father sent me, so I am sending you: receive the Holy Spirit."

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, taken from the Gospel of John, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts to each other. It is enough to know that, after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

We previously heard today's Gospel on the second Sunday of Easter. At that time, we also heard the passage that follows, which describes Jesus' appearance to Thomas. In that context, we were led to reflect on belief and unbelief.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost, this reading reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." As he breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, Jesus sends his disciples to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. This reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are washed clean from sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God in forgiving sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among the people.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

“FAKE EMAILS”

There have been a number of fake emails received pretending to be Chancery staff or clergy and soliciting donations in the form of gift cards and other items. These are fraudulent emails sent by criminals. Clergy and staff at the Archdiocese of Toronto and its parishes and missions do not solicit gifts by asking someone in an email to purchase gift cards. If you receive an unusual, unsolicited email from someone who works for the archdiocese, please check the email address of the sender. If it is not @archtoronto.org then it may be a fake message. Do not reply to these emails, as an increased reply rate encourages more fake emails. If in doubt, contact the sender by some alternate means such as emailing or calling the parish or chancery office associated with the sender. Please feel free to regularly share this information with parishioners or any lay associations that you are working with as these seem to be the people who are targeted.

MARYGROVE CAMP

The Marygrove Camp Special Collection will be taken up on June 12th after Communion at all Masses. Many girls from less-fortunate families will be attending camp this summer. Envelopes are attached to the bulletin today. Please support this important work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Each and every child's camping experience is fully subsidized through this collection. Thank you for your support.



The Ladies of the CWL would like to express their sincere thanks to the parishioners who so generously supported our bake and knitted goods last weekend. The quality and variety of the

baked goods donated was exceptional. If you baked, bought, or if you did both, a huge thank you! Your support is very much appreciated.

Ministry with Maturing Adults

Men and Women 55+

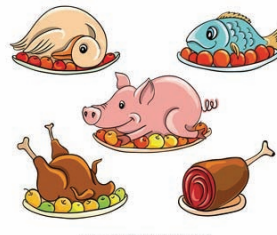
Thursday June 16th

10:00 a.m.

The Ministry with Maturing Adults (MMA) was born at Good Shepherd Parish in September 2018. Since then, we have had regular meetings to understand this stage of life from a spiritual and practical perspective, by inviting guests to speak on a range of topics from the Power of Forgiveness to Visio Divina. The sharing in the small group discussions has been priceless.

When Covid-19 arrived unexpectedly, we moved to Zoom mode, recognizing the need to meet and pray as a community. We have done the Life Story Writing Program and even participated in Zumba dance and stretch routines, to name a few of our activities. The most recent topic was “Spirituality and Change.” The blessings this ministry generates outweigh the concerns of aging.

June is Senior's Month and our next Zoom meeting will be on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Through CHATS, Jacqueline Bitanyi, a nurse practitioner will talk about “Physical Activity to Boost Energy for Older Adults.” Email or call the church office 905-881-1534 to register.



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BBQ Season is here and we have a great offer for you from MacGregor Meats. Their products are of excellent quality and come highly recommended. If you are

interested in purchasing, an order form will be available in the bulletin and the back of the church. We will be accepting orders up until June 15th. Delivery of orders will be on June 23rd in the church parking lot. Place your order form in the collection basket or church office, along with your cheques made payable to CWL Good Shepherd, in an envelope (marked CWL FUNDRAISER). Spread the news to your family, friends and neighbours. Enquiries please contact:

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