

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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THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) – JUNE 19, 2022



June 21st – June 25th

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. - Anna Chui Lai Fong †
Wednesday 8:30 a.m. - Francis Cheung Sp. Int.
Thursday Noon - Andrea Park & Sylvia Kim †
Friday 8:30 a.m. - Saroj Malik †
Saturday 4:30 p.m. - Agnes Theresa Lee †

READINGS FOR – June 26th

1st Reading: 1 Kings 10.16b, 19-21
2nd Reading: Galatians 5.1, 13-18
Gospel: Luke 9.51--62



Fr. Silva will be leaving Good Shepherd on June 30th. An invitation to gather and bid Fr. Silva farewell and thank him for his kindness and goodwill will take place after 11:00 a.m. mass on June 26 in the church hall. Thank you Fr. Silva and may God constantly bless you.

Pre-Authorized Giving

We encourage you to consider Pre-Authorized Giving which is a "direct debit" program to assist you in your support of the work of our church through your regular parish offerings and, if so desired, through ShareLife and other special appeals. PAG creates a win-win situation for you and our parish. When you participate, your offering will be withdrawn from your account on the 20th of the month. This amount is then deposited to the parish account. Your support of the parish is guaranteed, even if you are away for an extended amount of time. Registration forms are available at the back of the church. Please contact the office for information.



THE WORD THIS WEEK

"They all ate as much as they wanted"

In the words of St. Thomas:

"My dearly beloved, is it not beyond human power to express the ineffable delicacy of this sacrament in which spiritual sweetness is tasted in its very source, in which is brought to mind the remembrance of that all-excelling charity which Christ showed in His sacred passion? Surely it was to impress more profoundly upon the hearts of the faithful the immensity of this charity that our loving Savior instituted this sacrament at the last supper when, having celebrated the Pasch with His disciples. He was about to leave the world and return to the Father. It was to serve as an unending remembrance of His passion, as the fulfillment of ancient types — this the greatest of His miracles. To those who sorrow over His departure He has given a unique solace."



Jesus longs to convey to us just how profoundly we must remain in His love if we are going to understand His ministry and find strength to live out joyfully our own calling to be God's presence of loving compassion in our broken world. In the Eucharist we are invited to grasp the depth of the love of God for us and for our world and to unite our own joy and pain with those of Christ. On this great Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, we gather not to explain how this mystery happens, but to fall on our knees in profound adoration, to celebrate with deep joy that God is truly present to each one of us. Trusting in the wisdom of Pope Francis who has reminded us that the Eucharist is not "a prize for the perfect but nourishment for the weak."

The Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, is our communication with the Father, in the Spirit: it is the real presence in the Church's 'here and now' of the eternal God; it is Covenant, Memorial and Promise, Meal and Sacrifice, the heartbeat of the Family of Believers.



Corpus Christi

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



This weekend, the children of Grade 2 will be receiving their 1st Holy Communion. God is smiling down on all our precious little ones who are ready to receive him! Can anything be greater or more important than receiving Jesus Christ as their guest for the very first time? We are deeply grateful to our parish instructors and to our parents who have ensured that the gift of faith has been passed on to the next generation. We offer our congratulations to the children as well as to their parents and families.



One of the agencies you support through ShareLife is Catholic Cross-cultural Services. The agency appreciates your help and recently wrote: ***“The pandemic has affected the newcomer and refugee communities we serve greatly and brought on multiple challenges to their access to much needed culturally sensitive services. CCS was able to ensure uninterrupted access to services, information, and support for women, mental health and settlement services to those ineligible for any other services due to their immigration status.”*** If you have not yet donated and wish to, you can do so online on the parish website or at Sharelife.org.

Please give generously.

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER

God our Father, through the intercession of St. Joseph, the foster father of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks and praise for all fathers in the world. We pray for them so that they may find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. We remember fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Amen

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League are actively organizing charitable events in support of our communities. With their ongoing efforts, we are providing meals, clothing and financial support to those in need.

CASSEROLE COLLECTION

Frozen casseroles will be collected before each Mass on June 18 & 19. 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.



GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRIES

CWL FUNDRAISER

MACGREGOR MEAT&SEAFOOD

Thank you to all who placed an order for products from MacGregor Meat & Seafood. Delivery of orders will be on June 23rd at 6:15 p.m. in the church parking lot. Please bring your own bags for your purchase. The CWL is so pleased with the overwhelming amount of interest in this fundraiser that made it a huge success.

WHEELCHAIR PROGRAM

The Knights are collecting "refundable" beer, wine, liquor bottles and cans as well as pop cans which can be redeemed for wheelchairs for the needy. This program will commence with collections on the fourth Sunday of every month. We thank you for your support of this project.



NEXT COLLECTION JUNE 25 & 26



E-MAIL UPDATE

In future, when sending an email to Good Shepherd, please note the new address: GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org
The current address is still active, it will gradually be phased out and then cancelled. Thank you for your co-operation.



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