



# 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

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](http://www.tcdsb.org) or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca)

email: [GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org](mailto:GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org) website: [goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org](http://goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org)

# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPT. 4, 2022



**Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>**

Tues. 8:30 a.m. - Bill Wilson †

Wed. 8:30 a.m. - Helen D'Souza – Sp. Int.

Thurs. Noon - Keith Lamie †

Fri. 8:30 am - Anthony Lee †

Sat. 4:30 pm - Andrea Park/Sylvia Kim †

## READINGS FOR – Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 32.7-11, 13-14

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Timothy 1.112-17

Gospel: Luke 15.1-32



We hope you all had a safe and enjoyable summer and are happy to have you back safe and sound. We also extend a warm welcome to all those who have just moved into the area or are new

to our parish family. We certainly hope that you will feel at home with us. Please take a moment to complete a registration form available in the foyer of the church.



The Knights of Columbus and CWL would like to take the opportunity to welcome back Father Anthony and invite all to join after Mass September 11 for a BBQ and some light refreshments in the parish hall.

## THE WORD THIS WEEK

*"None of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions."*

The Gospel teaches us that the essential condition for true discipleship, demanded by Christ, was, and still is, total dedication, total commitment of oneself to Him. There can be no such person as a half-Christian. "He that is not with me is against me," He said on another occasion. We cannot be for Christ on Sunday and against Him for the remainder of the week. To be His true disciples, His true followers, we must live our Christian life every day and all day.

Following Christ means making our way to heaven. It is a life-journey. We have a limited time in which to complete this journey. Therefore, we must travel a certain distance each day. This does not mean that we must spend every day in prayer and meditation. There are other tasks to be done, but we must Christianize these other tasks. Even the members of religious orders who "leave the world," that is, who are set free from the family and financial cares of this world by their vows of chastity and poverty, have to busy themselves with other cares like teaching, nursing, tilling the soil perhaps, house-keeping, writing and many such activities. They cannot and do not spend all their day and every day in prayer and meditation. Nor does Christ demand this of them.

The result of following God is everlasting life. Our lives are perishable. We return to dust, but God has promised to restore and perfect the life we originally received. Christ came to show us that our earthly lifespan does not have to be all we know. God has prepared something so much better, eternal paradise, for us to enjoy without end.

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON  
SEPTEMBER 5**



## Course on Prayer - Lectio Divina

Tuesday Evenings Starting  
September 13 – October 18  
At 7:00 p.m.  
Via Zoom

Six session course is offered on FORMED. Lectio: Prayer Finding Intimacy with God with Dr. Tim Gray. Register for this course by emailing or calling the Church office by September 8th. Hopefully by the end of this course all will have a deeper relationship with God through prayer.

**Website: Good Shepherd Parish, Thornhill**

## 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 FEED MY LAMBS

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass next weekend (Sept. 10&11). You can also visit the office during business hours (Monday - Thursday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm) to pick up pans. Frozen casseroles will be collected before each Mass on Saturday, Sept. 17th and Sunday, Sept. 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.

Next weekend (Sept. 10&11) the Knights are collecting "refundable" beer, wine and liquor bottles/cans and pop cans which are being redeemed for wheelchairs for the needy. We thank you for your support of this project.



*"Holy Father in Heaven,  
Soften the hearts of Your people on Earth. Let them  
listen with compassion and empathy to the  
struggles of others. Then, help them find the proper  
way to act and help."*

## ESTATE PLANNING FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE FREE WEBINAR

**Saturday, September 17, 2022 at 9:00 am**

This webinar will provide the importance of a Will, Power of Attorney and Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions in respect to cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team and Catholic Cemeteries and Funeral Services will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will
- How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected
- About Powers of Attorney
- Estate Trustee selection
- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors
- Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burial and funeral

To register, send an email to:

[development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org)

Please include '**webinar September 17**' in the subject line and provide your name in the body of the message. Please provide, for the sake of our statistics, whether you are planning to watch this webinar alone or together with a family member. You will receive a link to closer the webinar.



### WEBSITE

**GoodShepherdParish,  
Thornhill**

Please take a few minutes to check out our Website for all upcoming events and updates. The new format is easy to navigate and for those not able to attend Mass, there is a link to **DonateNow** for Offertory Contributions.

### E-MAIL UPDATE

In future, when sending an email to Good Shepherd, please use the new address:

[GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org](mailto:GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org)

The current address is still active, but it will gradually be phased out and then cancelled. Thank you for your co-operation.



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