



# 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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# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPT. 25, 2022



Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> – Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>

Tues. 8:30 a.m. - †

Wed. 8:30 a.m. - †

Thurs. Noon - Kightly Family †

Fri. 8:30 am - †

Sat. 4:30 pm - Keith Lamie †

## READINGS FOR – Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Habakkuk 1.2-3; 2.2-4

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Timothy 1.6-8, 13-14

Gospel: Luke 17.5-10



## NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA SPECIAL COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

Every year, the Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly Canada wide. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in the ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance.

“Challenges and favours which the Lord gives ... are the ways by which he wanted His Church founded and established by the Apostles and Disciples. This is the same grace he has made to the Church in Canada, by which it has taken all its force and growth, and is sustained and maintained by patience and long-suffering in peace and union with Our Lord, all as He is pleased to permit.”

**Saint Francois De Laval – Bishop of New France**



## 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.

## THE WORD THIS WEEK

*“Good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony.”*

Following on from last week (“You cannot be the slave of both God and money”) we see a practical illustration of what this means. The division between rich and poor was very striking at the time of Jesus: popular understanding, however, said that to be rich was a blessing from God. All the parables of our Lord are based on everyday happenings. While we hope and pray that the case of the rich man described here is not an everyday occurrence, we cannot doubt but that such cases have happened and will happen again. This rich man is not in eternal torments because he was rich and even very rich. He is in eternal torments because he let his wealth become his master and forgot God and his neighbor and his own real welfare -- eternal life. There are men like him in our world today, men who completely ignore their real future. While they are convinced that their stay on this earth is of very short duration and that they will have to leave it very, very soon, they still act and live as if they had a permanent home here.

This message is brought home in the Gospel, contrasting the rich man’s life of comfort, including daily sumptuous feasts, with the impoverished man’s life of anguish. The poor man was named Lazarus, which fittingly means “the one whom God helps.” God wants to comfort those who are suffering. However, when we are self-centered, we create a great chasm between ourselves and God.

Let us honour God’s gift of salvation through acts of compassion, love and mercy. Let us give thanks to God’s invitation to enrich ourselves spiritually by living more selflessly and welcoming those less fortunate to our sumptuous feasts. May we respond to the plight of migrants, refugees and others like Lazarus at our gates. May we find true joy and priceless spiritual riches in God’s kingdom.



## 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.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank you to everyone who donated frozen casseroles. The Good Shepherd Centre is grateful for the support provided by our parishioners. Your help supports seniors, people living on disability payments, people earning minimum wage and homeless men and women.

### LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary would like to invite you to our Living Rosary, Flower Offering and Crowning of Our Blessed Mother on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. (immediately after the 4:30 p.m. Mass). **The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.** Let us honor and venerate Our Blessed Mother Mary and show our great love and devotion to Her through the recitation of the Holy Rosary and flower offering for Her intentions and the intentions of our Church.



### Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection October 1/2, 2022

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 1&2 to support Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous People of this Land. For more information or to donate on-line visit:

[www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation)

Thank you for your generosity.

## SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

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. It will be a challenge for a parish to maintain operations without the usual weekly offertory collection.



- 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.

If you have any questions we'll be pleased to assist in our Development Office at the Arch. of Toronto, 416-934-3400, ext. 540.

### LIFE CHAIN 2022

Once again, on October 2, Life Chain will stretch across Canada. Life Chain is a non-confrontational, peaceful and prayerful witness to the sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion. Details of location and times will be available soon.

## ROSARY COAST TO COAST

**Sunday, Oct. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

Looking for a way to celebrate Thanksgiving? This year, Rosary Coast to Coast will be held on Sunday, October 9. Pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, the Holy Rosary and Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Gather the children of the world to pray together through the recitation of the Rosary, ideally in the presence of our Eucharistic Jesus in our churches. If not possible, pray at home with your families and prayer groups.

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