

# THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Rev. Anthony Iacobelli

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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)

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# SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 12, 2023



Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> – Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>

Tues. 8:30 am – Louisa Man Cheung †

Wed. 8:30 am – Joanne Lasita †

Thurs. Noon – Teresa Fung-Poon †

Fri. 8:30 am – Maria Jura †

Sat. 4:30 pm – Mark Williams †

**READINGS FOR – February 19<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Leviticus 19.1-2, 17-18

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 3.16-23

Gospel: Matthew 5.38-48



## BIBLE STUDY COURSE ON “FORMED”

Tuesday Evenings Starting

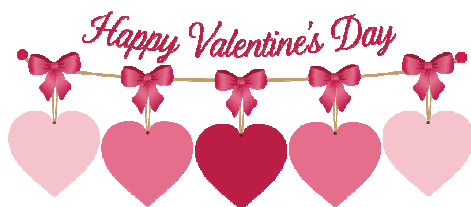
February 14 – April 25

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

**Lectio: Peter: Cornerstone of  
Catholicism**

The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter that is immediately informative and relevant to our lives. After all, if Jesus could bring out the very best in someone like Peter, then there is hope for the rest of us. Call the parish office for registration assistance.



## THE WORD THIS WEEK

*"You have learnt how it was said to your ancestors; but I say this to you."*

In today's Gospel, Jesus warns us that He has not come to abolish the law, but to fulfill it. Just because God loves us, does not mean He has to do what we want Him to do. We can't manipulate God or guilt-trip Him into doing what we want. It's humbling for us to realize that we are not entitled to His favour. God chooses to help us with perfect freedom in a way that is good for us and others.

Love requires freedom, and freedom means we have to respect the other person's ability to say "no" to us. If we truly desire to be in a mature relationship with God, then we need to respect this freedom in a way that gives God glory, which will strengthen our relationship with God and others.

Thanks be to God, for his infinite compassion! Thanks be to God, for Christ his Son, who came and dwelt amongst us! He put heaven and a share in



the life of God within our reach; he has shown us how to attain them, giving in his Church and the sacraments, all the necessary aids. But we still need all of Christ's compassion if we are to get there. Because of our inclination to sin and because of the many times we unfortunately give in to that inclination, nothing but the mercy of God can save us from our own folly. However, that mercy is available, if only we ask for it. Today as we celebrate the Eucharist, a sacrifice made freely on our behalf, let us repent of the times we've trespassed against God's law and the true freedom it leads us to. It comes with the promise that we can spend our whole life in constant and profound relationship with divine grace and love, immersed in God forever.

## SUPPORT YOUR PARISH



Thank you for being an active and valued member of the church. Being an active member shows your commitment to the Lord and your local community. An important tenet of our faith is giving and generosity. When you give, you invite abundance and blessings back into your life. The reality is that our parishes rely on the support of their parishioners to operate. Your regular donations ensure that the church can manage its staff, programs and ongoing operating costs. 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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.



### FEBRUARY 18 AND 19 MARCH 18 AND 19

The CWL (Feb. 18/19) and Legion of Mary (March 18/19) invite all to join them after each Mass for some light refreshments in the parish hall. A wonderful time to be in community, unite, and welcome new parishioners.



## 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.



GOOD SHEPHERD  
MINISTRIES

### CASSEROLE COLLECTION FEED MY LAMBS

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass this weekend (Feb. 11 & 12). You can also visit the office during business hours (Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) to pick up pans. Frozen casseroles will be collected before each Mass on Feb. 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.

### Ministry with Maturing Adults

Inviting Men and Women (50+)

Friday, February 24 at 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Safety for Seniors & Emergency Planning

Zoom Presentation by

Juanita Butler, CHATS Caregiver Counsellor

Topics you will learn about:

- Home Adaptations
- Kitchen and Bathroom Safety
- Fall Prevention
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To register, please contact: Viola Athaide

Email: [vathaide@rogers.com](mailto:vathaide@rogers.com)

Juanita Butler at CHATS:

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### TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for donations made between January 1<sup>st</sup> - December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 have been mailed out. (Donations made on/after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 will count towards next year's tax receipt.) All donations made on-line will be sent from the Archdiocese. As per the Archdiocese, donations for Masses offered are not tax deductible.



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