

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

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 or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or www.ycdsb.ca

email: GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org website: goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) JUNE 11, 2023



THE WORD THIS WEEK

“My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.”

The Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, is a mystery with so many layers and a depth that takes more than a lifetime to penetrate. It is not just a “thing” that we receive, however reverently. It is a person, a relationship, a belonging and a transformation that we consume, that becomes part of us: “Receive what you are the Body of Christ”. The readings invite us to reflect on how our celebration of the Eucharist brings Christ’s words to our reality: “Who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.”

The people of the Old Testament had God living in their midst, walking with them on their journey, feeding and nourishing them with the gift of manna from heaven. Jesus walks with us, not looking on from afar, journeying “in communion” with us, living within us, as we eat and drink the gifts he extends from the Last Supper. And as Saint Paul reminds us, our communion with the One Christ is also a communion with each other. God lives in us as the Church, as we become His Body. In the words of St. Thomas: "O banquet most precious! O banquet most admirable! O banquet overflowing with every spiritual delicacy! Can anything be more excellent than this repast, in which not the flesh of goats and heifers, as of old, but Christ the true God is given us for nourishment? What more wondrous than this holy sacrament! In it bread and wine are changed substantially, and under the appearance of a little bread and wine is had Christ Jesus, God and perfect Man. In this sacrament sins are purged away, virtues are increased, the soul is satiated with an abundance of every spiritual gift. No other sacrament is so beneficial. Since it was instituted unto the salvation of all, it is offered by Holy Church for the living and for the dead, that all may share in its treasures.”



June 13th – June 17th

Tues. 8:30 am – Msgr. John Weber – Sp. Int.
Wed. 8:30 am – Mary Cassar †
Thurs. Noon – Teresa Fung-Poon †
Fri. 8:30 am – Kevin D’Mello †
Sat. 4:30 pm – Dorothy Kester †

READINGS FOR – June 18th

1st Reading: Exodus 19.1-6a
2nd Reading: Romans 5.6-11
Gospel: Matthew 9.36-10.8



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Jesus has given us His body to eat and His blood to drink to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained, or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life, contact Fr. McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.



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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 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.

GLORY2GOD SUMMER CAMP AT BLESSED TRINITY



Blessed Trinity Parish welcomes Good Shepherd children entering grades 1-6 in the fall to join their Glory2God Summer Camp! The camp runs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (with before and after-care available) on July 10-14th and July 24-27th; come for one week or both – each week has its very own theme and field trip. Visit <https://www.blessedtrinityparish.ca/glory2god-camp> for more info and registration forms. Feel free to reach out to Tanya at G2GcampatBT@gmail.com with any questions.



JUNE 17 AND 18

The Legion of Mary 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.

Chalice is coming to Good Shepherd Parish! At the June 17-18 Masses, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.



New Beginnings ministers to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce, or bereavement Online Introductory Program June 15, 2023 at 7:00 pm

The Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming, and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psycho-education, which assists and accompanies the separated/divorced in exploring grief, experiencing healing, and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint and time will be allocated for group discussion. We welcome people from all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds.

Register at: <https://nbsd0623.eventbrite.ca>

For information please contact: Arcangelo Limanni, alimanni@cfstoronto.com (647) 215-3978

ESTATE PLANNING FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE FREE WEBINAR

Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 9:00 am

Join this webinar and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney, & Estate Planning, as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The estate planning team from the Archdiocese of Toronto and Catholic Cemeteries 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:

Follow this link:

<https://qrco.de/june17>

or Email development@archtoronto.org


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