

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

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – April 7, 2024



Apr. 9th - Apr. 13th

Tues. 8:30 a.m. – Kathleen Rose Waugh †

Wed. 8:30 a.m. – †

Thurs. Noon - In Thanksgiving

Fri. 8:30 a.m. – Amelia Lee †

Sat. 4:30 p.m. – Anthony & Cecilia Toscano

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READINGS FOR – April 14th

1st Reading: Acts 3.13-15, 17-19

2nd Reading: 1 John 2.1-5

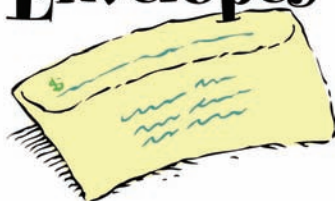
Gospel: Luke 24.35-48



"Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that fully conscious and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy. Such participation by the Christian people as "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a redeemed people (1 Pet. 2:9; cf. 2:4-5), is their right and duty by reason of their baptism."

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The Word This Week

***Thomas answered him, "My Lord
and my God!"***

Poor Thomas! One moment of disbelief earned him a reputation that has stayed with him throughout the centuries: Doubting Thomas. Who can blame him for doubting? Would we respond much differently if someone claimed to have seen a dead person who was now mysteriously alive? Likely not.

In today's Gospel, though, we realize that Thomas "the doubter" was also the first of the disciples to voice the truth about who Jesus really is – both Lord and God. From that moment, he went on to share this truth for more than three decades, travelling as far away as India, where he eventually died a martyr's death.

We can thank the Apostles and especially Thomas, the last to give in, that our faith in the resurrection and divine glorification of Christ is that much the stronger. Our Christianity which would have ended before the first Easter week had passed, if Christ had not risen in glory, spread rapidly to the then known world and is still spreading because its author was none other than Christ "our Lord and our God."

Each time we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we too come face to face with the Risen Christ. Our faith in the real presence tells us that. Our lives, like Thomas', can and should be changed each time we celebrate the Eucharist. Today we pray that we who receive the Body of Christ may in turn become the Body of Christ for our world.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Italian Cuisine Night Monday April 15

Ladies join us for Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by an excellent Italian meal featuring Lasagna, Salads, Dessert, Wine, Tea and Coffee all for the bargain price of \$20.00. Tickets will be available after all Masses the weekends of April 6th/7th and 13th/14th. Come and enjoy an evening of fun and camaraderie with your fellow members.

CWL FUNDRAISER



The CWL is pleased to announce that they will be taking orders for MacGregors meats again this year. Their products are of excellent quality and come highly recommended. The ladies of the CWL will be at the back of the church on April 13/14 and April 20/21 with the order forms for you to complete and to answer any questions you may have. Order forms must be returned by May 4/5th. Delivery date will be announced later.



GOOD SHEPHERD
MINISTRIES

CASSEROLE COLLECTION

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass next weekend (Apr. 13th/14th). Frozen casseroles will be collected before each Mass on April 20th & 21st. 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.

WHEELCHAIR PROGRAM

The Knights are collecting "refundable" beer, wine and liquor bottles next weekend (April 13/14) which will be redeemed for wheelchairs for the needy. We thank you for your support of this project.



EWTN

Learn more about your Faith during this special time of the year. EWTN has movies, documentaries, children's programming and more to help you grow in your spiritual life. Get program details at ewtn.com

Join Us For Coffee

A wonderful time to be in community, unite and welcome new parishioners after all Masses on the weekend of April 20th/21st. We thank the Legion of Mary for organizing and hosting.



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Thank you for living the Gospel!



Blue Mass

TO HONOR THE WORK OF ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL

Saturday, May 04, 2024 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

65 Bond St., Toronto

With our Most Reverend Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB and priests, we are celebrating a Blue Mass to thank our Emergency Personnel and First Responders. We are inviting our Police, Fire and Paramedic Services and their families to our Blue Mass. The Blue Mass provides us with the opportunity to recognize our Emergency Personnel and First Responders, extend our gratitude and support, strengthen our relationships as well as prayers and blessings from our Catholic community. We also remember the sacrifices that many of these personnel have made on our behalf.

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