

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Pastor

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

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – April 28, 2024



Apr. 30th – May 4th

Tues. 8:30 a.m. – Ignatius Kwan †

Wed. 8:30 a.m. – Lawrence Wong †

Thurs. Noon - Jim Howe †

Fri. 8:30 a.m. – Chung/Szeto Family †

Sat. 4:30 p.m. – Winston & Christina Ferguson †

READINGS FOR – May 5th

1st Reading: Acts 10.25-26, 34-35, 44-48

2nd Reading: 1 John 4.7-10

Gospel: John 15.9-17



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Thank you for living the Gospel!



FIRST FRIDAY

May 3

Mass will be at 8:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration is a time to be with Jesus – it is our personal time with Christ. We invite everyone to stay after Mass and experience being in the presence of Jesus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will continue until noon when the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed. A sign-up sheet is available in the foyer if you can commit to a specific time.

The Word This Week

“I am the true vine and my Father is the vine grower.”

God calls us daily into an intimate union with him. Today’s readings remind us of this and that our souls thirst for God and his love. He is the only source of eternal life and apart from him we will never be satisfied.

In this Easter season we rejoice in the Lord’s resurrection and we continue to reflect on his unfailing and everlasting love for us. Today, we are called to go deeper in our relationship with Jesus and surrender our lives to him so we can be who we were created to be. As the branch needs to be attached to the vine, we need to be attached to Jesus to produce fruit. As we grow in faith and love for others, God will prune us so we can produce more fruit.

The more time we spend with Jesus, the more we will learn to love others and ourselves as he does. We will be faithful to his commandments and abide in him.

In our prayers, let us ask for the grace to remain connected to God, because apart from him we can do nothing.

GENTLE REMINDER

We kindly ask to stop using old donation envelopes (previous years). To avoid incorrect donation totals please use assigned envelopes for 2024. If you require envelopes, please contact the office. Thank you.

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

Please take time to check out the Bulletin Board for upcoming events and programs available to our parishioners.



**Bundle Up
For the Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul!**
May 18th and May 19th

St. Vincent de Paul will leave a truck in our parking lot for the weekend and it will be staffed by our Knights of Columbus. Please save any gently used clothing, shoes and linens that you would like to donate. Please check out the bulletin board for more information.



**Day of Reflection
and Prayer for the
Bereaved**

**Saturday, May 4, 2024
9:30 am - 5:00 pm**

**Manresa Jesuit Spiritual
Renewal Centre**



***"Where is God in my pain? How is God
working in my grief?"***

***Facilitated by Sister Claire Marchal and
Mary Hyland.***

Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith. At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey. This day of reflection is open to men & women. The suggested offering is \$65.00 per person which includes lunch, coffee/tea break, talks as well as mass and an opportunity for confession.

REGISTER: Please call Mary Hyland at 905-441-0957



**Queen of Apostles
Renewal Centre**

1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga

When: Saturday May 9, 2024

Theme: Attitude with Gratitude

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$45.00 includes lunch

For more information: contact:

Jean 905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca

**SUPPORT YOUR
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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 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.

Ministry with Maturing Adults

Inviting Men and Women (50+)

Thursday, May 2nd at 10:00 am

Zoom Presentation by

Juanita Butler, CHATS Counsellor

**"AMBIGUOUS LOSS & GRIEF
WITH DEMENTIA"**

Topics you will learn about:

- What is Dementia, Really!
- Accepting the losses
- Understanding the disease
- Recognizing Loss and Grief
- Support someone with Dementia ...

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