

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Pastor Rev. Anthony Iacobelli

Deacons: Michael Gennaro James Shaughnessy

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*

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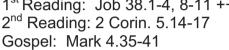
ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 16, 2024



June 18th – June 22nd

Tues. 8:30 a.m. – Gary Szeto ♥ Wed. 8:30 a.m. – Simon Cheung ♥ Thurs. Noon - Saroj Malik ♥ Fri. 8:30 a.m. – Winston & Christina Ferguson ♥ Sat. 4:30 p.m. – Josephine Mendez ♥

READINGS FOR – June 22nd 1st Reading: Job 38.1-4, 8-11 ++







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Diaper Drive for Rose of Sharon June 29th and 30th

The CWL is responding to God's call to assist in helping those in need. Some families can't afford diapers for their babies. We are kindly



asking for a donation of diapers for boys and girls sizes 4 through 7. Also needed for these little ones is shampoo, lotions, baby wipes and diaper cream. The collection will take place on the weekend of

June 15th and 16th. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The Word This Week "The kingdom of God ... is like a mustard seed."

How does a tree grow? The scientists can give us their answers, but the miracle of life on our earth, in all its dazzling complexity and variety is exactly that - a miracle. God is responsible for the miracle of Nature and growth - how, we don't know, but we accept God's guiding hand as a fact of our faith. This mysterious growth in Nature is used as a parable today, for the life of the Church and the Kingdom of God.

The tiny mustard seed has grown into a tree but it has yet to gather many more under the shelter of its branches. Christ asks every one of his followers to help him to bring all men into the safety of his kingdom on earth, so that they may be enabled to enjoy happiness forever in his heavenly kingdom. Realizing all that God and his divine Son have done for us, would we be so mean and ungrateful as to refuse to lend a helping hand? God forbid! God has already put us on the right road to heaven; we will help him to get in the stragglers, the lazy, the "couldn't-care-less" ones on that same road, by every means available to us.

Just as a seed, planted and watered, turns by miraculous processes into something different and bigger and beautiful, so the seed of the Gospel will grow into something else, by some means we can never fully understand. And that is the grace of God, encouraging, prompting and helping all men and women of good will to swell the coming Kingdom of our God.

Through this parable, God calls you and me to share God's mindset of possibility and abundance and to act on it by co-creating a kingdom where no one goes hungry and where all are welcome.

Please take time to check out our Bulletin Board for



upcoming events and programs available to our parishioners.



SUMMER COLLECTION

During the summer months, many of parishioners take summer holidays. Please remember that our Church still incur bills to pay

during these months. We would appreciate if you kindly continue to support the parish during that time. We encourage you to consider Pre-Authorized Giving which is a "direct debit" program to assist you in your support of the work of our church through your regular parish offerings and, if so desired, through ShareLife and other special appeals. PAG creates a win-win situation for you and When you participate, your our parish. offering will be withdrawn from your account on the 20th of the month. This amount is then deposited to the parish account. Your support of the parish is guaranteed, even if you are away for an extended amount of time. Registration forms are available at the back of the church. Please contact the office for information. May God keep you safe during the summer months and on your travels!



Summer Street Patrol St. Patrick's Parish, 131 McCaul St.

Starting July 3 to August 28, 2024, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Would vou or

your group like to help the homeless? Street Patrol is a walk-through Toronto's downtown core, offering food and friendship to the homeless. Food and drinks are prepared independently ahead of time by you or your group. You may volunteer once or as many times as you wish. Individuals or small groups do NOT need to contact Street Patrol in advance. You may just show up. Larger groups (12 people or more), please book ahead. See FAQ on our website for more information.

WEB: <u>https://stpatricksto.archtoronto.org/en/p</u> arish-life/ministries/street-patrol/summer/

CONTACT: St. Patrick's Summer Street Patrol

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CWL FUNDRAISER CRAFT SALE June 22/23



A lovely selection of gifts will be

available for purchase in the Parish Hall on the above noted weekend after all Masses. This fundraiser is being sponsored by the Catholic Women's League through the kindness of Prudence Gonsalves and Mary Williams. A percentage of the proceeds will be used by our CWL Council to help the many charities we support. Payment by cash only.



FATHER'S DAY PRAYER God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless those fathers, who have taken upon themselves the responsibility of parenting. We pray for them so that they may find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. We remember fathers and grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen



