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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

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCT. 13, 2024



Oct. 15th - Oct. 19th

Tues. 8:30 a.m. - Joe O'Brien †
Wed. 8:30 a.m. - Manuel Fernandes †
Thurs. Noon - Celine Gomes Sp. Int.
Fri. 8:30 am -
Sat. 4:30 pm - Anthony Sung †

READINGS FOR – Oct. 20th

1st Reading: Isaiah 53.10-11
2nd Reading: Hebrews 4.14-16
Gospel: Mark 10.35-45



World Mission Sunday October 20

There will be a second collection for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.



Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, of Whose mercies there is no number, and of Whose goodness the treasure is infinite; we render thanks to Your most gracious majesty for the gifts You have bestowed

upon us, evermore beseeching Your clemency, that as You grant the petitions of them that ask You, You will never forsake them, but will prepare for the reward to come. Through Christ our Lord.

THE WORD THIS WEEK

“Sell what you own and give the money to the poor ... then come, follow me.”

In today's story of the rich young man, who comes to Jesus full of good intentions, there are some simple words that speak so clearly to our own age: when Jesus tells him to sell everything and give it to the poor, “his face fell at these words, and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.” How sad it is that such a keen, and by all accounts good young man could not free himself from the one thing that was holding him back – his dependence on money. Jesus' words “How hard it is...” perhaps indicate his own sadness that the young man could not free himself from this. Jesus' teaching was new - as the disciples' reaction shows. In Israel at the time, riches were thought to be a blessing from God. But as Jesus knew and taught, holding on to anything that passes away can distract us from holding on to things that are eternal.

We fool ourselves if we think we can gain eternal life by our own merit. We need wisdom which comes from God. We need the Word of God to judge the “intentions of the heart.” “For humans, (salvation) is impossible, but not for God.”

Today, let us pray for the wisdom of God to fill our hearts so that we may give ourselves over to God. Then we can step out of our comfort zone and burn with a desire to serve God.



2025 CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Confirmation Registration forms will be available on October 21st at Good Shepherd for pick up. Confirmation Candidates and parents are asked to attend meeting on November 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Please bring Registration Forms, Supporting Documents and fee to the meeting. Classes will commence on November 11th at 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. If you require more information please contact the office.





Catholic Women's League 2025 Membership Renewal October 19 & 20

We are extending an invitation to all the women of the Parish, who would either like to join the CWL or who wish to renew their membership for next year, to sign up on the weekend of October 19th & 20th. Kindly give your envelope in at the 'sign up table' in the foyer after all the Masses. You may use the blue envelope found in your box of Offertory Envelopes, "CWL Annual Membership" or a plain envelope. **Please**

provide your contact information on the front of the envelope and enclose the renewal fee of \$40, to be paid by cash or cheque. Please make the cheque payable to: The Catholic Women's League-Good Shepherd Parish. The CWL helps us to grow in our Faith, serve those less fortunate and support Social Justice.

CWL General Meeting October 21, 2024 7:00 p.m.



This month, the CWL meeting is focusing on Health. A chiropractor, from the Active Rehab Centre, will speak to us about pain management. All ladies of the Parish are welcome. Please join us for Mass at 7:00 p.m., information and fellowship.

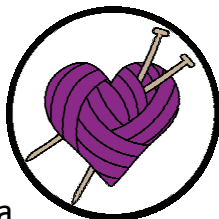


OCTOBER 19 AND 20

The CWL 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.

CWL DO YOU KNIT OR CROCHET?

We need your help. The CWL has been asked to make thirty-five (35) scarves for a women's shelter for Christmas. We can provide the wool. If you can lend a helping hand, please contact Mary Williams 416-802-9166.



October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary in the Catholic Church. This tradition stems from the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th¹². The feast was established by Pope St. Pius V in 1571 to commemorate the victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto, which was attributed to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary through the Rosary. Pray the Holy Rosary with devotion to honor the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary during this special month dedicated to Her.



CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING FREE WEBINAR

Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn how to avoid problems: in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney and through proper Estate Trustee selection. Learn how to create your own legacy and learn about our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals.

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:
2. follow this QR link/WebOct19
3. send an email to:

Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar October 19" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



CASSEROLE COLLECTION



GOOD SHEPHERD
MINISTRIES

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass this weekend. 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

This weekend the Knights are collecting "refundable" beer, wine and liquor bottles which are being redeemed for wheelchairs for the needy. We thank you for your support of this project.


MONDAY OCTOBER 14



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