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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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPT. 28, 2025



Sept. 30th – Oct. 4th

Tues. 8:30 a.m. – Kightly Family †

Wed. 8:30 a.m. – †

Thurs. Noon - Tony Coutinho †

Fri. 8:30 am - Sebastian & Anthony Miranda †

Sat. 4:30 pm - Rosemary & Anthony Sung †

READINGS FOR – Oct. 5th

1st Reading: Habakkuk 1.2-3; 2.2-4

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1.6-8, 13-14

Gospel: Luke 17.5-10



LEGION OF MARY



The Legion of Mary invite all to our Living Rosary, Flower Offering and Crowning of Our Blessed Mother on Saturday, October 4th at 5:30 p.m. (immediately after the 4:30 p.m. Mass). **The month of October is dedicated to the**

Most Holy Rosary. Let us honor and venerate Our Blessed Mother Mary and show our great love and devotion to Her through the recitation of the Holy Rosary and flower offering for Her intentions and the intentions of our Church.

CWL's Thanksgiving Soap and Sock Drive October 4th and 5th

In Thanksgiving for our many blessings, let us reach out to the disadvantaged and homeless in downtown Toronto. On the weekend of October 4th and 5th, the CWL will be collecting bars of soap, shampoo, and warm socks for men

and women, to be distributed by Good Shepherd Ministries.

Your donation can make a difference!



THE WORD THIS WEEK

“He ... saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.”

The call to righteous behavior is at the core of today's readings, but we first glimpse unrighteous behavior. Those at ease in Amos' time created class distinctions that violated the Covenant and took advantage of others for their own gain. Their music-making was not for the Lord, as was David's. They took neither God nor the Scriptures to heart.

Jesus reminds people that riches carry their own responsibility – the duty to notice the poor man, especially when he lies at your own gate. In this parable, Jesus is subtly attacking the people's lack of acceptance of the teaching of the prophets – “They have Moses and the prophets...”, but they obviously haven't listened to them. The twist in the last line is powerful: “...they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.” Since our world still sees a division between rich and poor, how true those words have become!

God forbid that any of us should be numbered amongst these foolish people, for there is no greater folly on earth than to miss the real and only purpose in life because of a few trivial, passing attractions. We are not forbidden to have some of this world's goods. We need some, and God it was who provided them for our use. But we must use them properly and we must not set them up as idols to be adored. On all sides of us there are Lazarus's placed at our gates by God to give us an opportunity to exercise fraternal charity. Be a true brother to them now and you will not have to envy them hereafter.

Let us honour God's gift of salvation through acts of compassion, love and mercy. Let us give thanks to God's invitation to enrich ourselves spiritually by living more selflessly and welcoming those less fortunate to our sumptuous feasts.



FIRST FRIDAY October 3rd

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will start at the completion of Mass and 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.

**Cardinal Leo encourages you to reach out
to your neighbour in need.**

"We cannot turn away from the suffering around us, especially when so many struggle just to eat. Our Catholic family is called not only to witness God's love but to live it boldly: feed the hungry, restore dignity, and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in need. As Scripture reminds us in Isaiah 58:10, 'If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness.' Together, through these grants and our generous hearts, we bring hope where despair threatens to take hold."

Please give generously through
sharelife.org/donate or our parish using a
ShareLife envelope.

Thank you for living the Gospel.



**YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT
CHOIR**

If you are eager to use your gifts and talents, and to serve with a purpose, come join the church choir. Inviting youth to join for the 9:00 a.m. Mass and adults for the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Practices are:

Thursday Evenings:

7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. for Youth

7:30 – 9:00 p.m. for Adults

Please contact Eugenie at 647-828-3884 or email evlandrychoir@yahoo.com for more information.

**CTOBER 5 2025
DON MILLS & STEELES
2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.**



Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful witness to the sanctity of all human life. This annual demonstration brings awareness to the ongoing injustice of abortion and the harm it inflicts on mothers, fathers and the community at large. Please join us this year. The organizer will greet you and your fellow attendees and provide you non-graphic signs. You are asked to spread out along the sidewalk and to pray silently for the hour. Please contact your local organizer for info or contact Life Chain Canada (1-800-730-5358, lifecain@campaignlifecoalition.com).

**INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION
FUND COLLECTION
OCTOBER 4/5 2025**

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this collection to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The funds are allocated to support eight projects. Let us join together and become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online visit:

www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation

Thank you for your generosity.

**Planning Ahead Information
Session on Tuesday, October 7,
2025 at 7:00 p.m.**

Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home will be hosting this event that will provide valuable information on the benefits of planning ahead for funeral and cemetery needs, including:

- Easing stress for family members
- Locking in today's prices
- Flexible payment options
- Ensuring personal wishes are honoured

Details:

● *Holy Cross Catholic Funeral Home located at
211 Langstaff Rd East, Thornhill*

✦ Refreshments will be served

✦ Complimentary Estate Planning Guide for all attendees


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and he who abides in love
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and God abides in him.**



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