

# 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 <a href="https://www.tcdsb.org">www.tcdsb.org</a> or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or <a href="https://www.ycdsb.ca">www.ycdsb.ca</a>

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

#### THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - NOV. 16, 2025



Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> - Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>

Tues. 8:30 a.m. - George Mundamattam ∜

Wed. 8:30 a.m. – Frank Flanagan ♥

Thurs. Noon - Andrew Kwan &

Fri. 8:30 am - Jack & Hilda Williams 🕆

Sat. 4:30 pm - Anthony & Cecilia Toscano ♥

#### **READINGS FOR - Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2 Samuel 5.1-3 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 1.12-20

Gospel: Luke 23.35-43





## 2026 CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Confirmation Registration and Information forms are available at Good Shepherd for pick up. Confirmation Candidates and

parents are asked to attend meeting on November 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Please bring Registration Forms, supporting documents and payment to the meeting. Classes will commence on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. For further assistance call the office at 905-881-1534.

# OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2026

Boxed sets for 2026 envelopes are ready for pick up. If you are

not assigned envelopes and wish to have a set, request forms are available by the bookshelf.

## PLEASE TAKE NOTICE TO NEW NUMBERS ASSIGNED FOR SOME PARISHIONERS.

Please do not use 2026 envelopes until the New Year and kindly ask **please DO NOT** use envelopes from previous years. This will ensure that tax receipts are accurate. To make changes to personal information, please inform the office to update your records in writing.

#### THE WORD THIS WEEK

"The days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

Images of strife and the temple being destroyed are terrifying but familiar. The images in today's readings remind us that we live in an inbetween time. In the second reading, Saint Paul calls us to live our waiting with commitment by turning away from idleness and by imitating the kingdom for which we wait, a kingdom the psalmist says is just, equitable and joyful. Jesus encourages us to trust God more fully, for he will give us words and wisdom so we may witness to his love.

Each one of us can put the following simple question to ourselves this very moment. How would I fare if I were called before the judgment seat of God today? The best of us would certainly prefer to be better prepared. There is so much good I have left undone, so many faults for which I have not atoned properly, so many uncharitable thoughts about my friends and neighbors in my mind, so many acts of charity I kept postponing, so many acts of thanksgiving and praise I have not made to my loving God. As we approach Advent, we ask for the grace to be fully present with love and compassion to the suffering of our time. By doing so, we prepare our hearts to receive God's love born as an infant messiah. Jesus reminds us not be "led astray" or "to prepare your defence in advance." Our lives lived in faithful witness to the kingdom that is to come become a sign of joy and hope for today.



#### **2026 SUNDAY MISSALS**

The last weekend to use the current Sunday Missal is November 22/23. If you would like to purchase a 2025/2026

Missal, they will be available for sale (\$5.00) in the foyer of the Church.



#### CWL MONTHLY MEETING Monday November 17th 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

All ladies of the parish are invited to join in our living Advent Wreath facilitated by Mary Williams followed by refreshments and a short meeting in the Hall.

#### **POINSETTIAS**

Back by popular demand. Place your order on the sign-up sheet in the foyer. Prepayment is not



required. Last day for orders is December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Your orders will be available for pick up on the weekend of December 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> after all Masses. A lovely addition to your home or a perfect gift.



# C.W.L 2026 Youth Awards Program

The Catholic Women's League Youth Awards Program is a combination of contests which are intended to

support Catholic youth to hone their skills in becoming people of faith dedicated to following in the footsteps of Christ to serve God and Canada. For the education component of Catholic Women's League of Canada, the Annual Youth Awards Program continues to be a key educational based project across the Toronto Diocese. The program is comprised of the following four contests:

- Mary Matthews Public Speaking Gr. 7 & 8
- Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay and Poetry Gr. 7 to 12
- Jean McCann Youth Service Award age 15 to 18
- St. Michael's College Scholarship Gr. 12 (females only) due no later than May 31, 2026, send directly to Diocesan contact.

Good Shepherd Parish Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest will be held on January 12, 2026 at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall. Please e-mail Contestant's Consent Form to <a href="mailto:catherine.ger@outlook.com">catherine.ger@outlook.com</a> no later than Friday, Jan. 09, 2026. Mary Donell Pro-Life Essay and Poetry and Jean McCann Youth Service Award contests' registration form, please e-mail to catherine.ger@outlook.com no later than February 13, 2026. For each contest package and further questions, please e-mail Catherine Ger at

catherine.ger@outlook.com.

May our Lady of Good Counsel guide us in all that we do.



# SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup>

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. NOVEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Dear Parishioners,

The ladies of the CWL invite everyone to participate in our Bazaar by contributing to our Silent Auction and Raffle Tables. If you have something new or almost new that you would like to part with, we would be most grateful to accept it. All offerings must be brought to the church on the weekend before the bazaar (Nov. 15/16) prior to all Masses, giving us time to prepare our tables. Should you have any questions don't hesitate to call me (Carol Von Zuben) at 905-889-1561. Please visit the parish hall for all your Christmas shopping. You will find ornaments, jewellery, knitted goods, wreaths, candles and a raffle promising wonderful prizes and much more. The proceeds allow the CWL to give assistance to more than twenty-one charitable organizations. support is greatly appreciated.

This year's Children's Christmas Pageant will be held on Christmas Eve at the 7:00 p.m. Mass. This is an opportunity for children to help tell the

story of Christ's birth. Practices will occur during the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy. If your child is interested in participating. please Children's see the Liturgy poster on the bulletin board to reaister.





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