

# 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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# PENTECOST SUNDAY - May 24, 2026



May 26<sup>th</sup> – May 30<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday - †  
Wednesday - Osbert D'Sylva †  
Thursday - Brandon Ringuette †  
Friday - Anthony Miranda †  
Saturday - Palmina Iacobelli †

READINGS FOR – May 31<sup>st</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 34.4b-6, 8-9  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Corinth. 13.11-13  
Gospel: John 3.16-18



## The Word This Week

*“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit.”*

We arrive at the fiftieth day - the completion of the Easter Season, and the completion of the Paschal Mystery: the Lord has died, is risen, has ascended to heaven and now gives birth to his Church, by sending the Spirit upon the apostles. This feast of the gift of the Spirit is so significant for us, because it marks the handing on of Jesus' ministry to the Church - in the Church we are guaranteed the presence of the Lord, in his sacraments, in his ministers, in the Blessed Sacrament and in his Celebrated Word. It also marks the fulfilment of our thoughts about baptism throughout this season: the gift of the Spirit which we receive in Confirmation is the 'seal' of our baptism, guaranteeing and confirming all that baptism achieves.

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church and of Christianity, the beginning of the New Dispensation. Man, having been touched by the Spirit, no longer lives according to the flesh, according to the principles and ideals of fallen human nature; he lives in the Spirit. He is filled with the light of truth and is guided by the Spirit of truth Himself, the Holy Spirit. The new generation of men now sees all things in their proper place in the plan of divine providence and in their relationship to eternity. In the spirit of truth and love the new generation is called to act for good and upright motives, to do only what is pleasing to the Father. It is a generation of spiritual men. Since they "live in the spirit," they must also "walk in the spirit" (Gal 5:25). They belong to Christ, and with Him they are not envious of one another, but practice mildness, patience, and charity (Gal. 5:26f.). "The fruit of the spirit is charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity, goodness, longanimity, mildness, faith, modesty, continency, chastity" (Gal 5:22f).



## CELEBRATING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN FAITH

Today our parish community was richly blessed to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our young people. We congratulate them, their sponsors and families on this joyful milestone. We also extend our thanks and gratitude to Michael Masci for preparing and guiding our candidates for this special day. May the Lord continue to bless these young members of our parish, guiding them in faith, hope and love.

*“May the Holy Spirit light your way, so that your Faith and Love grow stronger every day.”*



## Bundle Up For the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul!

**May 30<sup>th</sup> 9:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.**

**May 31<sup>st</sup> 8:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.**

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 used clothing, shoes and linens in any condition that you would like to donate. Please check out the bulletin board for more information.



### Pre-Planning Seminar Saturday May 30, 2026 9:00 a.m.

Planning ahead is one of the most thoughtful and compassionate decisions you can make for your family. Join us for an informative seminar designed to help you understand your options and make confident, faith-informed decisions.

Learn about:

- Funeral and burial options
- Planning in advance to ease burden on loved ones
- Catholic teachings on cremation
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Location: Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home

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You must RSVP to attend at

905-889-7467 ext. 1 or by email at

[holycrossinquiry@cc-fs.ca](mailto:holycrossinquiry@cc-fs.ca)



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**purchases, we raised over \$1500. These monies will help us to support over 20 charities. Thank you.**

### BOOK BARROW

The Legion of Mary's Book Barrow will run after all Masses on May 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup>.

This is your opportunity to borrow faith-filled and inspiring books.



### Your gift to ShareLife invests in the future of our Church.

Your support of ShareLife helps form future priests—men who will listen, accompany, comfort, and offer Christ to the world. Next Sunday, May 31 is the third ShareLife Sunday collection of the year. Thus far we have raised \$77,000.00 toward our goal of \$146,000.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### Ministry with Maturing Adults MINI MORNING RETREAT AT MANRESA 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering, ON

Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

### “GOD IS SPEAKING, ARE WE LISTENING”

Morning Schedule:

9:00 Register, Mix and Mingle

9:30 Welcome and Music in the Chapel

9:35 Topic Reflection

10:30 Private prayer. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Time to wander the grounds – Labyrinth, Rosary Lane

11:30 Mass and Homily - Fr. Henk van Meijel

12:00 Depart. You can stay longer for private prayer and reflection

**Come and rest awhile in silence with Jesus**

Registration Required: Viola Athaide

[vathaide@rogers.com](mailto:vathaide@rogers.com)

A donation in support of the ministry at Manresa is greatly appreciated. A tax receipt will be given for an amount of \$20 or more.

### A Day With Mary

Saturday, May 30

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Villanova College, King City

This family-friendly day will include Holy Mass with His

Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, the Rosary, confessions, a keynote address, and children's catechesis. Enjoy music, fellowship and more.

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