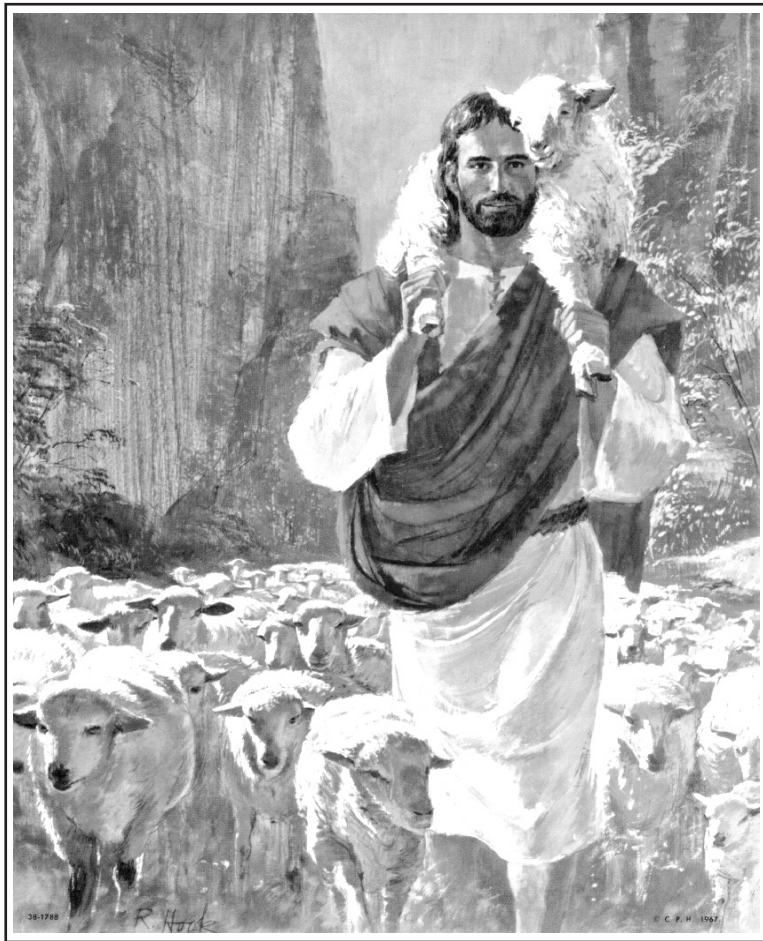




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Celebration of The Eucharist

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.

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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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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCT. 18, 2026



Oct. 20th – Oct. 24th

Tues. 8:30 a.m. – Rosina Orrico †

Wed. 8:30 a.m. – Connie Leung †

Thurs. Noon - Ringuette Family Deceased †

Fri. 8:30 a.m. - Cathy Ceniti †

Sat. 4:30 p.m. – Deceased Members of the
Knights of Columbus – Good Shepherd Council
8340 †

READINGS FOR – Oct. 25th

1st Reading: Exodus 22.21-27

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalon. 1.5c-10

Gospel: Matthew 22.34.40



**“Whoever believes in me, as
Scripture has said, rivers of living
water will flow from within them.”**

John 7:38

Water is elemental to life and to all of creation. Without it, we cannot live. Water is a gift of beauty and sustenance, for life as well as our faith: we are baptized into Christ with flowing water, forming a community of faith called to be stewards of creation for our salvation and the life of the world. This vocation is reflected in Ezekiel 47:1–12, which conveys a distinct environmental message: one of global healing, renewal and transformation of life. It also highlights the interdependence between humanity and the natural world and offers a vision of hope expressed through active care for the earth, our common home. Among the many calls to action, one of the most important is protecting water for food security. If water is life-giving, we all have a responsibility to safeguard it so that everyone can have access to safe, nourishing food.



BOOK BARROW

The Legion of Mary's Book Barrow will run after all Masses October 24/25. This is your opportunity to borrow faith-filled and inspiring books.

THE WORD THIS WEEK

**“Give ... to God the things that are
God's.”**

Everyone on this earth belongs to God. All are made in his image. Therefore, it is right that all men and women, ‘from the rising to the setting of the sun’, should know the God to whom they belong. The only desire of our God is that all should know and love him, and find in him the fulfilment that they seek.

In today's Gospel, Jesus' clever answer to the Pharisees' question (about whether to pay taxes) teaches us we are invited by God to a response beyond what is merely required of us as citizens in a secular society. Our energy, talents and resources, indeed our very lives, come from God and we are meant to use them to contribute to God's redeeming work in our world.

On this Mission Sunday, we will do well to remember that having a mission is about pursuing life's deepest meaning. Today let us take time to give thanks for the particular mission to which we are called, both at this time in our lives and as we look towards the future. Bearing in mind the wider context in which we live, let us also give our support and prayers to all who undertake to spread the good news of the Gospel by word and action.



2027 CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Registration and Information forms are available at Good Shepherd for pick up. Confirmation Candidates and parents are asked to attend meeting on October 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Please bring Registration Form, Baptismal Certificate and payment (\$80.00 cash/cheque payable to Good Shepherd Parish) to the meeting. Class dates and times to be announced. For info call the office at 905-881-1534.

2027 SUNDAY MISSALS

The last weekend to use the current Sunday Missal is November 21/22. If you would like to purchase a 2026/2027 Missal, they will be available for sale (\$6.00) in the foyer of the Church next weekend.





Catholic Women's League 2027 Membership Renewal October 17 & 18

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 24th & 25th. 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.

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE

The office of Admissions is now considering applications for September 2027. St. Michael's College is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grade 7 to 12. Open Houses will be held on October 20 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please register at applySMCS.com.



Red Wednesday

**Wednesday, November 18, 2026
Michael's Cathedral Basilica
5:30 p.m. Mass**

Shine a Light for Persecuted Christians

Join Red Wednesday, an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). Red Wednesday began officially with ACN UK in 2016, and has grown into a global movement with events in over 20 countries raising awareness of Christian persecution. This year's theme asks: "Who stands with persecuted Christians?". Bishop Vincent Nguyen, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto presiding will be presiding. As in previous years, the Cathedral's facade will be illuminated in red. Participate by attending the Mass, wearing red, or organizing local activities. More info: acn-canada.org/red-wednesday or contact Evellyne Lemos at el@acn-canada.org.

Day of Reflection & Prayer for the Bereaved Saturday, October 31, 2026 09:00 a.m. - 05:00 p.m.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
Day of Reflection & Prayer for the Bereaved.
"Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?" Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith. At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey. Facilitated by Sr. Claire Marchal & Mary Hyland. For more information and to register please contact Mary at 905-441-0957. Suggested offering: \$75 per person. Includes coffee/tea & muffin break, lunch, the program and Mass. Please see flyer on our website at: <https://manresa-canada.ca>

World Youth Day Mass with Cardinal Frank Leo Saturday, November 21, 2026 07:00 PM - 10:00 PM

**St. Thomas More Parish
2234 Ellesmere Rd, Scarborough**

Join OCY for the Archdiocese World Youth Day Mass 2026, open to all young adults ages 19-39. Gather with young adults from across the Archdiocese for a powerful evening of faith, prayer, and community as we celebrate the Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Christ the King. The 2026 World Youth Day theme is: "Take courage! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Chosen by the Vatican for the 40th World Youth Day, this theme calls young adults to place their confidence in Christ, who brings hope, strength, and victory. This celebration also serves as a spiritual preparation for the international World Youth Day in Seoul in 2027. Come and be encouraged in your faith, strengthened by Christ, and united with other young adults in this joyful celebration. Bring your friends and be part of this grace-filled evening.



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