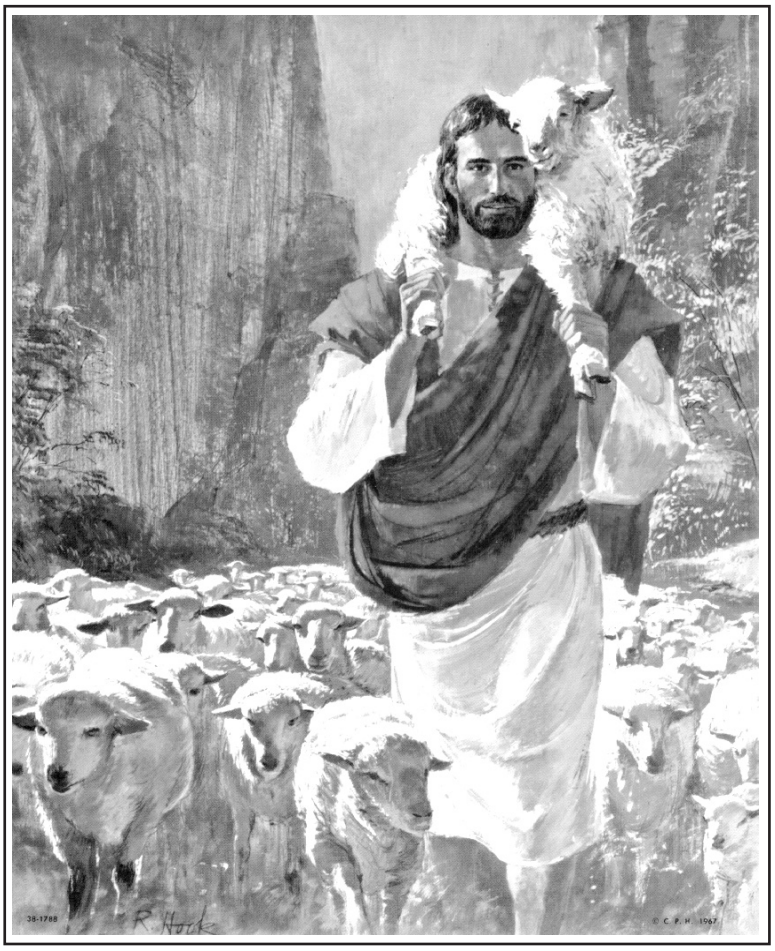


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Celebration of The Eucharist

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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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – NOV.01, 2026

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Nov. 3rd – Nov. 7th

Tues. 8:30 a.m. – Gerald Murray ✝
Wed. 8:30 a.m. – Mark Williams ✝
Thurs. Noon - Jae Sun Park ✝
Fri. 8:30 a.m. - Raymond Kan ✝
Sat. 4:30 p.m. – Mary D'Souza ✝

READINGS FOR – Nov. 8th



1st Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16
2nd Reading: 1 Thessalon. 4.13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES
ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

All Souls Day Mass
Saturday November 7
02:00 PM

Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the All-Souls' Day Mass. All Masses will be held indoors at the following locations:

- Assumption Cemetery – Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum - 6933 Tomken Rd., Mississauga
- Christ the King Cemetery – Reception Centre 7770 Steeles Ave. East, Markham
- Holy Cross – Holy Family Mausoleum 8361 Yonge Street, Thornhill
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery –
- St. Anthony's Mausoleum (Liturgy in Italian & English) 7300 Highway #27 Woodbridge
- Resurrection Cemetery – Our Lady of the Assumption – 355 Taunton Rd., Whitby



ALL ARE WELCOME

November 1st

The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All lived on earth lives like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, they were faithful to Christ's teaching and they have gone before us to the heavenly home whence they call on us to follow them. The Gospel of the Beatitudes, read today, while it shows their happiness, shows, too, the road that they followed; there is no other that will lead us whither they have gone.

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed
November 2nd



The Church, after celebrating the feast of All Saints, today prays for all who, in the purifying suffering of Purgatory, await the day they will join in heavenly glory. The celebration of the Mass, which re-presents the Sacrifice of Christ on Calvary, has always been the principal means by which the Church fulfills the great responsibility of charity toward the dead. Death cannot break the bonds of the Body of Christ.

Mass will be celebrated on November 2nd at 8:30 a.m. for "All Souls"



FIRST FRIDAY
November 6th

Eucharistic Adoration is a time to be with Jesus. We invite everyone to stay after Mass and experience being in the presence of Jesus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will 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.

THE WORD THIS WEEK

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

Pope Francis reminded us often during his pontificate that we are called to holiness. It is constitutive to our baptism. We are made in the image and likeness of God, and there is a deep longing within us to be perfect in how we love. We strive to love as God, who is perfect, loves. The sacraments, especially the Eucharist, feed and encourage us to become what we receive.

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus offer the Beatitudes to the crowds. These statements seem paradoxical when understood as the world might understand them. Jesus is teaching his disciples, and us, how grace works for those with faith, no matter the circumstances.

The more responsibility we have for the flock of God, the more is demanded of us. But for all God's people, there is the need for constant vigilance, to be on guard against hypocrisy and complacency, the two greatest threats to our living God's way and not our own, self-serving way.

On this feast of All Saints, let us take up the challenge. Let us emulate the Saints and Jesus, our brother and friend, by loving fully and completely all whom we meet. When we do not make the mark, let us ask for forgiveness and seek grace in the sacraments, in order to start again.

Ministry with Maturing Adults

Inviting Men and Women (50+)
Topic: Euthanasia: The Canadian Legislation and a Catholic Response
Date: Friday, November 6, 2026
Time: 10 a.m.
Presenter: Deacon James Shaughnessy
Via Zoom

Please email vathaide@rogers.com ASAP to register and get the Zoom link.

CASSEROLE COLLECTION

Casserole trays and recipes will be handed out after Mass next weekend (Nov. 7/8). Frozen casseroles will be collected before each Mass on Nov. 14/15. 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

The Knights are collecting "refundable" beer, wine and liquor bottles next weekend (Nov. 7/8) which will be redeemed for wheelchairs for the needy. We thank you for your support of this project.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1st AT 2:00 A.M. CLOCKS ARE TURNED BACK ONE HOUR TO LOCAL STANDARD TIME.





The Knights of Columbus will be hosting an evening of Festive Music and Joy on Tuesday, December 1st at 7:00 p.m. at the church, featuring the talented music students from St. Robert Catholic High School. This is an evening not to be missed with performances by the Senior Band, Choirs and Orchestra. Tickets are $20 per person (free for elementary students) and tickets can be purchased before and after each Sunday Mass starting on November 1st.



Thank you for your outer milk bag donations. The group that is weaving them into mats has requested that we don not fold or tie the bags. Please lay them flat in one layer in the bin provided in the foyer. This makes their job easier.

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