



# THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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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

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](http://www.tcdsb.org) or the York Catholic District School Board 905-713-1211 or [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca)

email: [GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org](mailto:GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org) website: [goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org](http://goodshepherdth.archtoronto.org)

# TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCT. 2, 2022



Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> – Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>

Tues. 8:30 a.m. - Pietro Mollicone †

Wed. 8:30 a.m. – Jeff Kelly †

Thurs. Noon - Michael McCloskey †

Fri. 8:30 am - Helen D'Souza Sp. Intention

Sat. 4:30 pm - Bill Wilson †

**READINGS FOR – Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2 Kings 5.14-17

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Timothy 2.8-13

Gospel: Luke 17.11-19



## LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary would like to invite you to our Living Rosary, Flower Offering and Crowning of Our Blessed Mother on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

## FIRST FRIDAY OCTOBER 7<sup>th</sup>

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will start at the completion of the 8:30 a.m. Mass and continues until noon when the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed.



## E-MAIL UPDATE

In future, when sending an email to Good Shepherd, please use the new address:

[GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org](mailto:GoodShepherdTH@archtoronto.org)

The current address is still active, but it will gradually be phased out and then cancelled. Thank you for your co-operation.



## THE WORD THIS WEEK

### *“If only you had faith!”*

Do you ever approach the Lord with holy confidence demanding an increase in faith? Or are you busy asking God for other things, more worldly things (like a new job, a financial windfall, a better marriage)? While the Catholic church teaches there are four types of prayer (petition, adoration, contrition and thanks-giving), the Gospel today seems to suggest there is a fifth type of prayer – a prayer of holy boldness.

If we were to take a moment to redirect our thoughts from the things we usually pray for and ask God to “increase our faith,” we would get the same answer as the apostles: “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed...” With the little bit of faith we do have, if we present it to God with holy boldness, asking Him to increase it, He will multiply it – and, not by our efforts but through Him, we will be able to move mountains. But we do have to ask!

Faithfulness, faith and trust. These most invisible and difficult things are what God asks of us, “Just as we, in our own way, ask them of those who love us.” “Trust me”, we say, “all will be well.” And if someone does trust us, the reward is simply that trust was well-placed. We have done our duty. We can continue with this movement of prayer, asking the Lord: “Increase our hope, increase our charity, increase our love...” Imagine what the Lord can do, if we give Him the freedom to act in this way in our lives.

**CONFIRMATION MEETING  
GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH  
MONDAY OCTOBER 24<sup>TH</sup>  
7:00-8:00 PM**



This is a very important meeting for both parents and children to attend if you wish to be confirmed this school year. Anyone registered at Good Shepherd who does not attend one of our parish schools and wishes to be confirmed please contact the office (905-881-1534).



## Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection October 1/2, 2022

Our country continues to undergo an examination of our relationships with Indigenous People. The Catholic Church in Canada has been deeply engaged in the journey of healing and reconciliation, most notably through the visit of Pope Francis this past summer. Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 1&2 to support Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous People of this Land. For more information or to donate on-line visit:

[www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation)

Thank you for your generosity.

## Ministry with Maturing Adults Inviting Men and Women 55+ Via Zoom Meeting

**Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.**

**Topic: Special Places in our Lives**

To register please call the Church office 905-881-1534.

## MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2022 CAST YOUR VOTE!

A Municipal Election will be held on Monday, October 24, 2022. All Catholics are strongly encouraged to exercise their democratic right to vote. To help learn more about the candidates for Catholic School Board Trustee, Cardinal Collins has given permission for these candidates to distribute literature to parishioners departing Mass on weekends from October 1&2 through October 22&23. We hope you'll take the time to get to know those seeking elected office for this important role. To ensure your vote for Catholic School Board Trustee, at the polling booth, verify that you are registered as a separate school board supporter. If your support status is incorrect ask for an Application to Amend Voter's List. This form may be completed and submitted at the polling station. Thank you for your interest and involvement in this fall's municipal election!

## SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

At a time like this it can be uncomfortable to talk about giving. Our primary concern is the health and well-being of our parishioners. However, these difficult circumstances show just how important the offertory is to the life of our parishes. The reality is that our parishes rely on the support of their parishioners to operate. It will be a challenge for a parish to maintain operations without the usual weekly offertory collection.



- Drop off or mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office.
- Contribute through pre-authorized giving if your parish offers it. You can obtain a form from your parish

office. Contributions are withdrawn from your bank account on the 20th of each month.

If you have any questions we'll be pleased to assist in our Development Office at the Arch. of Toronto, 416-934-3400, ext. 540.

## LIFE CHAIN 2022

Once again, on October 2, Life Chain will stretch across Canada. Life Chain is a non-confrontational, peaceful and prayerful witness to the sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion. Please join us at the intersection of Don Mills and Steeles, between 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

## ROSARY COAST TO COAST Sunday, Oct. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Looking for a way to celebrate Thanksgiving? This year, Rosary Coast to Coast will be held on Sunday, October 9. Pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, the Holy Rosary and Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Gather the children of the world to pray together through the recitation of the Rosary, ideally in the presence of our Eucharistic Jesus in our churches. If not possible, pray at home with your families and prayer groups.

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