

St. Luke's Parish

39 Green Lane, Thornhill, Ontario L3T 6K5 Tel: 905-881-2786
 Website: <https://stlukesth.archtoronto.org> Email: stlukesth@archtoronto.org



Pastor: Fr. Mark Van Patten - Ext. 222
Associate Pastor: Fr. Wenceslao Abalos - Ext. 227
Secretary: Lois Henderson - Ext. 221
Pastoral Associate: John Humphries - Ext 226
Youth Minister - Alan Lee Hoy - 226

Masses: Saturday - 5:00 P.M.
 Sunday - 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 P.M.
 Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. - 9:00 A.M., Tue. - 7:00 P.M.
 Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Tuesday - 7:00 P.M.
 Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after Devotions
 Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30-4:00 905-881-2786

PARISH	St. Anthony's	St. Rene Goupil/St. Luke	St. Robert C.H.S.	Saint John Paul II
SCHOOLS:	141 Kirk Dr. Thornhill 905-889-7420	135 Green Lane Thornhill 905-881-2300	8101 Leslie St. Thornhill 905-889-4982	155 Red Maple Rd. Richmond Hill L4B 4P9 905-709-3134/709-3136

For more information on Catholic education in our community or to reach your local school board trustee, contact the York Catholic District School Board at 905-713-2711 or www.ycdsb.ca

PLEASE KEEP US UP TO DATE; COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING & PUT IN COLLECTION BASKET

Name	Phone
Address	Postal Code
Children & Dates of Births:	
.....	
New Parishioner <input type="checkbox"/>	Envelopes <input type="checkbox"/>
Change of Address <input type="checkbox"/>	Moving out of Parish <input type="checkbox"/>



Magnified

“I will make you a light to the nations”

Have you ever used too much soap on dishes or in the laundry and “enjoyed” the never-ending, overflowing stream of bubbles? Most modern soap is so concentrated that less than a dime’s worth can clean most things. Put simply, a little can do a lot when you add water to it.

When Isaiah came onto the scene, Israel was not doing very well. The surrounding world powers often picked on tiny Israel and — due to their own trust issues and infidelity to God — God allowed His children to be bullied and enslaved as a result of their own sin, even though God loved them dearly. The first reading reminds us that God can do great things with very little. Israel will become “a light to the nations” (Isaiah 49:6). Through the second reading, St. Paul is reminding the new Church in Corinth that although they may be small in number and in power, they are holy and mighty in Christ. While St. John the Baptist lived as more of a hermit with questionable fashion sense and dietary habits, God used this “small” and seemingly insignificant desert dweller to put the Pharisees in their place, the people on notice, and the Lord upon His mission.

You might look in the mirror and see everything you are “lacking.” You might wonder what you really have to offer the world. God doesn’t see you that way. He doesn’t focus on what you seem to lack but on how you love. He sees all He designed you to be and all that you can become by the help of His grace. You are greater than you can imagine. You can become a saint — a true light to the nations — and all God needs is your “yes.” What do you say?

Reflect: Think of a specific talent you have. Why did God give you this talent? How have you used it in the past? How could you use it better in the future?

Challenge of the Week: Is there a quality you have that isn’t from the Lord? For example, if you’ve noticed you’re really struggling with impatience, ask God confidently to rid you of that throughout this week.

Challenge of the Month: Before weekend Masses on January 28 and 29, our Parish Ministries will be in the Parish Hall ready to invite and share with you all that we, as a community have to offer. This is simply an invitation to “Come & See” what God might be asking you. The Challenge is to start 2023 with a journey towards God, and allow His graces to transform you into the Saint He created you to be.

Join Us for our “**COME & SEE**” Weekend after Mass on **Jan 28/29**. Small Snacks, Tea, Coffee, and Hot Chocolate FREE

-Alan Lee Hoy

Today’s gospel reminds us of the crucial role we play in leading others to Christ. If God is in our hearts, he goes wherever we go. We are called to bring a deep commitment to Christian principles to a society with shifting values. For the truth of God to be clear to others, our lives must not be restricted to church and worship but must spread out into our neighbourhood and workplace. The Christian calling invites each generation to hand their faith to the next. As Christ becomes the centrepiece of our life, we sense the importance of being in touch with him through prayer and an honest admission of our failures to become his instruments of salvation. Following Christ is not easy, but there is no room for a half-hearted effort. It demands nothing less than absolute loyalty and a complete commitment. **‘Here I am Lord, I come to do your will.’**

MASS INTENTIONS	
Monday	Intentions of Litta Jung
Tuesday	Soul of Dr. Robert Moulson Soul of Anna Barberris Soul of Manuel Rosale Bayaborda Soul of Eufemia Azuela Soul of Virginia Gorizzan
Wednesday	Soul of Yolanda Daly
Thursday	Soul of John Thomas Nugent
Friday	Soul of Hector C. Kingsford

PRAYER REQUEST LINE
905 881-2786 ext. 250

Please pray for the sick in our community.
May all who are ill place their trust in Jesus, the Divine Healer, who brings comfort and peace to all who believe especially: **Maria DiRienzo, Donna Shen, Marie McCarron, Rosaria Lee, Magdalene Ki, Tita Mateo, Marie Ceolin, Justin & Teddy Givens, Victoria Chimenti, Nelia Pablico Dela Vega and Don Bownes**



ALPHA at St. Luke's
Starting February 23rd 2023
Sign-up Weekend Jan 14th / Jan 15th

What is Alpha? Alpha for Catholics is an opportunity to explore life's most important questions, the meaning of life and the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment.

St. Luke's community welcomes you to join us in a series of interactive online video sessions where we can engage in conversations about faith, life and Jesus.

Date: February 23rd to May 11th
Time: Weekly each **Thursday @ 7:30 pm**

All are welcome! May all who come as Guests, leave as Friends.

For further details, please contact the St. Luke's Alpha team at stlukesalphaseries@gmail.com

York Catholic District School Board
Kindergarten Registration for the 2023-24
school year began January 9, 2023

The York Catholic District School Board is now accepting registrations for Junior Kindergarten for children born in 2019. York Catholic provides a Christ-centered, innovative Catholic Education in its 102 schools across York Region. The YCDSB is consistently ranked one of the top performing school boards in the province. You can visit their website, www.ycdsb.ca to register for classes starting in September.

COME & SEE WEEKEND

Before weekend masses on Jan 28 & 29, our Parish Ministries will be in the parish hall ready to invite and share with you all that we, as a community have to offer. This is simply an invitation to "Come & See" what God might be asking you. Start 2023 with a journey towards God and allow His graces to transform you into the Saint He created you to be.

Some of the Programs attending:

ALPHA, Bible in a Year Series, Catechism in a Year Series, Edge, Life Teen, Prayer Intentions & Cards, New Youth Ministry Apparel & more.

Refreshments will be served.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL will be holding a general meeting on **Wednesday, January 25th** in the parish hall at **7:00 pm**. Members are encouraged to attend and non-members are most welcome.



SALSA CLASS & DANCE SOCIAL

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus – St. Luke's Council 4393

Will resume **Monday, January 16 at 8:00 pm**. Enjoy a fun & relaxing time learning basic steps of Salsa and practicing basic routines.



PRAISE & WORSHIP

Please join us **Monday, January 23rd at 7:30pm** for an evening of Praise & Worship in the parish hall. All are welcome. Bring a friend!

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Sunday, February 12, 2023
St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica
65 Bond Street, Toronto
ALL ARE WELCOME

As part of **Marriage Sunday 2023** celebrations, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60+) in 2023. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass here: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/> The broadcast will begin at 2:15 pm. Register at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage

Baygreen Pharmacy
The Family Pharmacy
 Voted Best Pharmacy 2004
 Thornhill & Richmond Hill
 FREE PRESCRIPTION DELIVERY
 8 Green Lane 905-889-9461

Jo Carroll
 Sales Representative
 Parishioner



People come first & it shows!

Cell 416-805-4479
 carroll_jo@hotmail.com

Your Community Realty, Brokerage








Shopping Locally Saves Gas

RAMONA'S KITCHEN
 breakfast lunch dinner
 7355 Bayview Ave. (Longwoods Plaza)
 905 597 9220 www.ramonaskitchen.com



Chapel Ridge
 FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION CENTRE
 NEWLY EXPANDED FACILITY
NOW OPEN!
 905-305-8508
 8911 Woodbine Avenue
 Markham, ON L3R 5G1
 www.chapelridgefh.com
 Family owned by Eric & Susanne Tappenden




Dr. Ricky Leung Dentistry
Trust us with your smile
 2900 Steeles Ave. E. Suite 201
 (2nd Floor Shops on Steeles/Hwy 404)
 905-881-3434

Remember...
 Let our advertisers know you saw their ad here.



DYNAMIC RECOVERY
 REHABILITATION CENTRE
905-764-3818
 Physiotherapy • Acupuncture
 Orthotics • Massage




Luke Tsang
 #204 - 8220 Bayview Ave
 www.dynamicrecovery.ca

M R Auto Service
Ringo Wong
 Owner/Parishioner
 English, Cantonese & Mandarin spoken




60 Green Lane Bus 905-707-1763
 Cel 416-616-6888
 www.mr-auto-service.com

M&M FOOD MARKET
Tuesday is Senior's Day!
 Enjoy **10% off** any regular priced item!
 Located in the Bayview Glen Plaza
 just North of the 407
 #17 8750 Bayview Ave. Richmond Hill
905-597-1099
 www.mmfoodmarket.com
 Please check out our full weekly flyer on our website and on Flip.

 Highland Funeral Home
 Markham Chapel
 by Arbor Memorial
 Arbor Memorial Inc.

Because family matters!
905-887-8600 • highlandfuneralhome.ca/markham

THE PERFECT SPOT TO ADVERTISE

 TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE
 PLEASE CALL
1-800-268-2637


CATHOLIC CEMETERIES FUNERAL SERVICES
 In keeping with your Catholic faith
 www.catholic-cemeteries.com
 Holy Cross Cemetery & Funeral Home
 905-889-7467

 **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**
 Become an Online Member kofc.org/join
 Fletcher Pereira 647-707-7118 stlukekoc4393@gmail.com


LOPENA GLASS & MIRROR LTD.
 Frameless Shower Door & Railings Expert
FOR FREE ESTIMATE:
 CALL
647-923-1488

MORRISON AND PAYNE
 Barristers and Solicitors
John D. Morrison
 Parishioner
 Corporate/Commercial
 Commercial Litigation
 Commercial & Residential Real Estate
 Wills and Estate Planning & Administration
 505 Consumers Rd, Suite 1005
416-224-9968
 www.morrisonandpayne.com



 **ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL**
 Under the direction of the Basilian Fathers
 Grades 7 to 12
 University preparatory
APPLYMCS.COM

 **Desjardins Insurance**
 Dan Vacca Agent
 Save up to 30% on insurance
 905-707-1600



www.danvacca.ca