

St. Luke's Parish

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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 - after mass

First Friday Devotions - after morning mass First Saturday Devotions - 8:30 A.M.

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after Devotions

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. 905-881-2786 Ext 221

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

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



This is as good a day as any to reflect on how as a church going people we are responding to the voice of Christ calling us to be shepherds of his flock within the ordinary bits and pieces of our lives. Once we call ourselves Christians, our fundamental vocation is to be loving, caring people with a mind through which Christ thinks, a heart through which Christ loves, a voice through which Christ speaks and hands through which Christ helps.

“The writer Scott Hahn tells of a faithful man who asked Mother Teresa to pray that he might have clarity in discerning his path; she responded that it was not clarity he needed, but rather trust. The Shepherd, calling his sheep, does not give details of the plans for the day, or the terrain ahead, or foretell of the difficulties to be encountered. The sheep ‘know his voice’ and so they follow in the direction that the Shepherd calls. **We are to trust.** When we cannot see what lies ahead, when we are anxious in the face of the unknown, we are to trust the Good Shepherd who goes before us, who calls us by name. We are called by the Father, gifted with the Holy Spirit and can know the direction we are to go, even if we do not have the full itinerary. Jesus, we trust in you”.

Excerpt from Living With Christ (Kathleen Giffin)

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Monday | Soul of Rosard Fernandes |
| Tuesday | Soul of Stephen Schmoll Soul of George Hung Soul of Susan Adams Soul of Fr. Nicola Ruggiero Soul of Bruce Baker |
| Wednesday | Souls of Elvina & Filipe Menezes |
| Thursday | Soul of Nicanora Figueroa |
| Friday | Soul of Romulo Tibor |

Please pray for the sick in our community.

Especially: Maria DiRienzo, Maria McCarron, Rosaria Lee, Magdalene Ki, Tita Mateo, Marie Ceolin, Janice Abramowitz, Nelia Publico Dela Vega, Don Bownes, Monsignor John Weber, Noli Reyes, Lucia Won, Dolores Trinidad, Bill Lemke and Leslie Albert

God’s Got This

“Fear no evil”

Have you ever been home alone and heard a strange sound? Especially when we are younger, the darkness and the unknown have a way of becoming even scarier when there’s no one else in the house. It’s said that there is strength in numbers, so it is no wonder why solitude can make someone feel “uneasy” about the potential dangers that lurk around them.

Shepherds knew well the dangers around them. Shepherds didn’t have an easy life. While they sometimes hung out in the hills in groups, they were often alone with their sheep. Constantly keeping watch for threats to their flock, surveying the landscape for wandering sheep making a break for greener pastures, and even traversing treacherous terrain to rescue those who had gone missing left shepherds with no one but their sheep. The Gospel tells us what a Good Shepherd we have in Jesus who laid down his life for us, His flock. The second reading reminds us that Christ laid down His life because we, the sheep, had gone astray. This week’s psalm — one of (if not) the most famous of all the psalms — paints a picture of a shepherd keenly aware that even though he is alone, with the Lord he is never alone.

Saint Peter was assuredly not alone during this, his first great sermon, that we hear in the first reading from Acts. What is it, you may ask, that turns a fisherman into our first shepherd, our first pope? His awareness that God was with him and that no matter what evil befell him, Peter need not fear because God is the true shepherd.

Reflect:

When Jesus said He came so that we could “have life and have it more abundantly,” what do you think He meant?

Challenge of the Week:

Go into a chapel and spend 15 minutes in silence, with a clear head. If you start thinking about something, start the 15 minutes over. Relax by repeating a simple truth like “Jesus, I trust in you,” “Come, Holy Spirit,” or “You are the King of Kings.” When your heart is silent, it is easier to hear the Lord.
-Alan Lee Hoy



Friday, May 5 – 9:30 am
Saturday, May 6 – 8:30 am

April 30, 2023

ST. LUKE'S INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

Saturday, May 27, 2023

6:30 pm



Come one!! Come All!!
Join us for an evening of international fun, food & dance! Tickets will be on sale the weekends of May 13/14 & May 20/21st and are:

\$10.00 for adults & \$5.00 for

each child **plus** a dish from your country.

Please contact Shaila D'Souza shailaflavy@gmail.com for more information regarding entertainment & food.

TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CAMP 2023

DAY CAMP (for Grades 1-6)

Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM July 24-28

EVENING PROGRAM (for Grades 7-12)

Sunday to Thursday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM July 23-27

Register at: <https://linktr.ee/stlukesthym> or contact Alan Lee Hoy at ahoy@archtoronto.org or visit the Parish Website. More information about the program is also available at www.totustuutoronto.ca.

EDGE CAMP NORTH 2023

A five-day Catholic adventure camp with many sports & activities, catechesis, Mass, praise & worship and fellowship!

WHO – Students currently in grade 6-8 who attend EDGE

WHEN – August 27-31, 2023

WHERE – Camp Whilte Pine, Haliburton, ON

COST - \$475 (before April 30th early bird deadline)

\$525 between May 1-31 (last day to register).

ADDITIONAL DETAILS: See our website for the Parent Information Sheet. stlukesth@archtoronto.org

VIDEO: <https://youtu.be/xAnw1XPkLLY>

REGISTER: <https://linktr.ee/stlukesthym>

QUESTIONS: ALAN Lee Hoy – ahoy@archtoronto.org

Pray & Play Night

Join St. Luke's Ministry every Thursday evening until the end of June from 6-8pm for **Family Pray & Play Night**.

All are welcome!

Any questions? Contact Alan at ahoy@archtoronto.org or Krishna at kshanthakumar@archtoronto.org

CONGRATULATIONS FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS

Let us give thanks this weekend for all those who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday. We ask Jesus to strengthen and always walk with them.

OLEG SAMOKHIN PIANO CONCERT SATURDAY MAY 20, 7:00 PM

Tickets are now available. Please see details on praisingalways.webs.com/oleg-s-concert or by contacting Greg Benoit at 647-296-6851 or greg.benoit@rogers.com



CROWNING OF MOTHER MARY

St. Luke's invites you to the annual Crowning of Mary on **Tuesday, May 2nd** during the **7:00 p.m. Mass**. Please join us in honouring Mary our Mother in a very special way. We will have a procession with flowers and Marian Hymns during the Mass.

Make this annual event part of your devotion to the Blessed Mother. All are welcome! Bring the children!

BUNDLE UP FOR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL



A Saint Vincent de Paul container will be in the church parking lot the weekend of May 13/14 (Mother's Day Weekend) to collect **household linens, gently used clothing, shoes,**

bedding, draperies, small household goods and new toys in order to support those in need. Please share what you can with our neighbors in need.

Our container will be open all day Saturday until 6:00 pm and Sunday until 2:00 pm. Volunteers will assist with the loading before and after each Mass.

Note: We do not accept books, videos, furniture, dishes, appliances or building materials Thank you.

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Raised to date - \$50,734.00

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