St. Luke's Parish

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PRAYER REQUEST LINE - 905-881-2786 Ext 250

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 Mass & Devotions – 8:30 A.M.

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after mass & devotions

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

PARISH St. Anthony's SCHOOLS: 141 Kirk Dr. Thornhill 905-889-7420

135 Green Lane Thornhill 905-881-2300

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St. Rene Goupil/St. Luke St. Robert C.H.S. Saint John Paul II 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	nePhonePhone.		
Address Postal Code			
Children & Dates of Births:			
New Parishioner	Envelopes	Change of Address	Moving out of Parish \Box

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



While the physical disease of leprosy may not afflict us, there is a real sense in which all of us are as much in need of Jesus' healing touch as the man in today's gospel. Sin does to the soul what leprosy does to the body – it eats away at us and the only cure is to be reconciled with God and with other members of the community. We suffer from leprosy of sin and reject the presence of God in our lives when we cold-shoulder a neighbor. The gospel is stating that, through our warmth, the love and power that healed the leper can be at work in the world of today. We are invited to be Christ-like by reaching out to the isolated in our midst in order to affirm and renew them with our compassionate and healing touch.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Soul of Margaret Kelly
Tuesday	Soul of deceased members of the Gomes & Capelas Families Soul of Tom Schmoll Soul of Rowena Pereira Soul of Kevin Gallagher Soul of Doris Kahnert
Wednesday	Soul of Irene Jeske
Thursday	Soul of Faye Wolfer
Friday	Soul of Leo Ceolin

Please pray for the sick in our community. May the healing power of God touch their hearts and ease their burdens, especially **Raffael Hang Cheong** Lee, Khader Khawager, Derek Hamilton, Maria DiRienza, Nolito Reyes, Ed Tan and Carl Rampersad

THONHILL MINISTERIAL ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERIES 2024



For 54 years, the Christian churches of Thornhill have been celebrating our common belief in our one true Father, God, and Jesus Christ His Son, our Saviour.

The services that we have shared over the years during the Lenten Season have enabled us to enjoy wonderful fellowship with our Christian neighbours.

This year you have an opportunity to participate in this Ecumenical outreach in the three services that are taking place. They are all on a Sunday and begin at 4:00. The celebration is about 45 minutes and there is a lovely social time after.

The theme for this year is "The Faithful Christian".

The first gathering is next **Sunday, February 18** at the Thornhill Baptist Church where the Reverend Dr. Heather Vais from Thornhill Presbyterian Church will speak on "The Struggle to Be Faithful Christians".

The second service is **Sunday**, **March 3** at Holy Trinity Anglican Church and our own John Humphries will be sharing his thoughts on "The Importance of Being Faithful Christians."

The final time that we all come together is right here at St. Luke's on **Sunday, March 17**. The Reverend Leigh Olson from Thornhill United Church will give us her insights on "The Joys of Being Faithful Christians". This is also the service where, for the last 15 years or so, all the churches bring their choirs to us and collectively we raise the roof in joyful, powerful song!

You are all invited to these celebrations of our common faith, and, like any celebration, the more that attend the more memorable the event will be!



Helping the whole community through Catholic agencies Our 2023 parish goal - \$149,000.00 Final 2023 Campaign Total

\$137,474.48

Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need!

2023 TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for qualifying 2023 donations made directly to the parish have been processed and delivered. If you have not received your 2023 tax receipt, please contact the parish office



Please join us for mass on **Ash Wednesday February 14th** There will be two masses – 9:00 am and 7:00 pm

2024 Refugee Sponsorship Program for <u>Parishioners</u>

The Archdiocese's Office for Refugees is excited to announce the commencement of its 2024 Refugee Sponsorship Program <u>for Parishioners</u>. This initiative is designed to aid parishioners interested in sponsoring family members seeking refugee resettlement. If you are a parishioner and wish to sponsor a family member, kindly reach out to the parish office to arrange a meeting with the pastor. Interested parishioners will be asked to provide the necessary funds required for sponsorship.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT WEEKEND RETREAT

The office of vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older at St. Augustine's Seminary Friday, March 15 until Sunday March 17. Please register online at_ www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee or for more information contact vocations@archtoronto.org.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Learn: **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection

- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

<u>3 WAYS TO REGISTER:</u>

scan this QR code:
follow this QR link:

https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24 3. send an email to:



<u>Development@ArchToronto.org</u> and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Sunday, February 11, 2024 @ 3:00 pm St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica 65 Bond Street, Toronto

As part of **Marriage Sunday 2024** celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone-wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60+) in 2024. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. The Mass is open to all, but due to limited capacity, seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Online reservations are now closed. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass here: <u>https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/</u> The broadcast will begin at 2:15 pm.



<u>STATIONS OF THE</u> <u>CROSS</u>

Beginning Friday, Feb 16th, you are invited to join in praying the Stations of the Cross each Friday morning during Lent beginning at 9:30 am following mass. All are invited to come and spend one hour in prayer. **Liturgical Publications** 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 1-800-268-2637



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