

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 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

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

Name Phone.....

Address Postal Code.....

Children & Dates of Births:

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New Parishioner ☐

Envelopes ☐

Change of Address ☐

Moving out of Parish ☐

"So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Matthew 20:16

Please pray for the sick in our community.
May the healing power of God touch their hearts and ease their burdens.

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Our 2026 parish goal - \$155,000

Raised to date – \$122,111.23

Thank you for living the gospel!

Our picture of God is influenced to some extent by our ordinary way of looking at things and that is why, as we listen to today's gospel, we are tempted to react and share the grumble of the workers who have laboured since early morning. In human terms, it seems a bit unfair that after slaving all day in the hot sun they got the same pay for their efforts as those who were taken in at the end of the day. If we get too upset about the injustice of the situation, we miss the point of the story. The parable is not about dealing with equal rights for all, or an honest day's work for an honest day's pay. It is to show the generosity of God in throwing open the doors of the kingdom of heaven to Gentiles and sinners on an equal footing with Jews. The gospel fills us with an image of a generous, gracious and forgiving God whose love for us has no bounds and whose mercy extends both to those who have laboured all their lives in his service and to those who have broken faith but turn to him in their dying hour.

HOLYLAND **RELIGIOUS ITEMS**



The main income for the Christian community of Bethlehem – the birthplace of Jesus – is selling their handcrafted olive wood religious items to the pilgrims who visit the area. Ongoing challenges have been difficult for the community with some Christians having to flee the Holy Land.

MASS INTENTIONS **Sept 21 – 25th**

Monday	Soul of James Gallagher
Tuesday	Soul of Tom Schmoll Soul of Eufema Azuela, Eugene Peñoso, and Eden Llantero Soul of Julian Peñoso Jr. and Esteban Alde Soul of Gigi Lirios Soul of William Mather
Wednesday	Intentions of Andrew D'Souza
Thursday	Soul of Robert Sutikno
Friday	Intentions of Angelica D'Souza

This weekend, Jenny from Holy Land Wood Art will be in the parish hall offering a variety of religious items for sale. Join us before & after mass to view a selection of rosaries, bracelets, carved figurines & many gift ideas.

Every purchase helps strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

Fall Bible study

Genesis: From Creation to Covenant

When: Beginning October 22, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm & continuing every other Thursday for 8 sessions.

Where: St. Luke's Parish upstairs meeting room.

For more information or to register for the study, contact Bernardine at bernardine@laycarmelites.ca or Alan at ahoy@archtoronto.org



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE
OCT 3 & 4 AND
OCT 10 & 11

Thanksgiving is fast approaching! As we reflect upon the many blessings God has given us, let us remember the less fortunate. This year we are again collecting non-perishable food items. Please bring your donations of canned foods, cereals, pasta, rice, flour, baby food, coffee etc. to the church. Financial donations are also welcome. Please make any financial donations in the form of a cheque made payable to: **Richmond Hill Community Food Pantry**. Thank you for your support of this important program.



SAINT VINCENT de PAUL
Bundle Up Weekend
October 3 & 4th

A St. Vincent de Paul trailer will be in the NW corner of the parish parking lot on October 3 & 4th. Please bring your gently used household linens, clothing, footwear, bedding, draperies/towels, **new** toys and small household goods to support the needy in our community. **Please ... no books, video/audio cassettes, furniture or dishes.** The container will be open all day Saturday until 6:00 pm and Sunday until 2:00 pm. Volunteers are welcome to assist with loading the trailer before and after each mass. **THANK YOU!**

First Communion 2026/27

Any families interested in having children celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion this Fall at St. Luke's please contact John Humphries at john.humphries@rogers.com.



CWL General Meeting

Wednesday, September 23rd beginning at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. New members are always welcome.

BLESSING OF PETS
Saturday, October 10th

Blessing begins at 1:00 pm at the NW entrance.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 26, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Online Webinar on Zoom with

Peter Okonski & Nicholas Chow, Archdiocese of Toronto and

Frank Janetta, Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services

who will share:

- **How to avoid problems** - in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

All are welcome. Please see the bulletin board for registration information.



LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

Sunday, October 4th from 2-3pm

Southeast corner of Yonge & Steeles Ave.

Life Chain is an annual pro-life event that raises awareness about the injustice of abortion and the inherent dignity of every human being. Please join us this year in the parking lot at the South East corner of Yonge and Steeles Ave. The organizer will greet you and your fellow attendees and provide you non-graphic signs with messages like "Abortion kills children," "Abortion hurts women," "Life, the first inalienable right," and "Adoption, the loving option." You are asked to spread out along the sidewalk and to pray silently for the hour. For

more information, you may visit:

campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain. You can also contact Greg Benoit at 647-296-6851

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Supporting Bishops in the Pastoral Mission across the Country

The collection will take place the weekend of September 26 & 27th. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the church in Canada. Please support the Collection.

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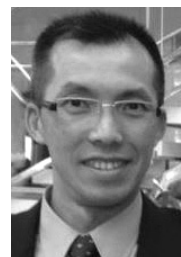
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