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## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### **Weekends**

Saturday: 6:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 AM

### **Daily**

Mass (Tuesday & Friday): 9:00 AM

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 10:00-11:00 AM  
(At St. Augustine 3:00-3:45 PM)

### **Holy Day Masses:**

As announced

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms:** Please contact the parish office to schedule date of preparation and date of baptism.

**Marriage:** Please contact the pastor at least one year before planned date of marriage.

**Visitation or Anointing of the Sick:** Anytime. Please contact the pastor.

If you are a visitor or if you are new to our parish, we welcome you. If you would like to become a member of our parish, you may call the parish office, contact us by e-mail or return this form by mail or by placing it in the offertory collection.

This form may also be used for change of address or to request a call from a member of our staff.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

New parishioner  Change of address  Please contact me

## Linwood/Uxbridge, Massachusetts



**Saturday, July 11**  
**6:00 PM** Frances & Fortunato Cogliandro by their family  
**Sunday, July 12**  
**9:00 AM** Amza & Jeannette Belanger  
 by Bruce and Christine Bartlett  
**Tuesday, July 14**  
**9:00 AM** Judy Hanlon by Joyce Paquette  
**Friday, July 17**  
**9:00AM** Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Helpers of the Holy Souls  
**Saturday, July 18**  
**6:00 PM** Raymond Gervais by his family  
**Sunday, July 19**  
**9:00 AM** Lena Gouin by her family  
 Letendre family by Jeannette Daigle Massey

**Liturgical Roles July 18 & 19**  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**6:00 PM** M. Fitzpatrick, D. Wilson  
**9:00 AM** R. Poulin

**Lectors**

**6:00 PM** S. Desjourdy  
**9:00 AM** J. Paquette

**Altar Servers**

**6:00 PM** C. Wilson  
**9:00 AM** Need

**Ushers**

**6:00 PM** P. & K. Jordan, L. Roberts, **Need 1**  
**9:00 AM** E. Metivier, J. & M. Morrissey, **Need 1**


**Readings for the week of July 12, 2020**

**Sunday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 [Lk 8:8]/  
 Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9  
**Monday:** Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/  
 Mt 10:34—11:1  
**Tuesday:** Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 9d]/  
 Mt 11:20-24  
**Wednesday:** Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15  
 [14a]/Mt 11:25-27  
**Thursday:** Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15,  
 16-18, 19-21 [20b]/Mt 11:28-30  
**Friday:** Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16  
 [cf. 17b]/Mt 12:1-8  
**Saturday:** Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14 [12b]/  
 Mt 12:14-21  
**Next Sunday:** Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 [5a]/  
 Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

**Living Faith Booklets** for July, August and September are available by stopping by or calling the rectory. We ask for a \$2 donation to help defray the subscription cost. Thank you.



<b>Sunday, July 12</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Tuesday, July 14</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
	6:00 PM	NO TOPS (Parish hall)
<b>Thursday, July 16</b>	7:00 PM	NO Bible Study (Library)
<b>Friday, July 17</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Saturday, July 18</b>	10:00 AM	Drive Thru Confessions (behind church)
	4:00 PM	NO Bible Study (Library)
	6:00 PM	Mass
<b>Sunday, July 19</b>	9:00 AM	Mass

 **The Mass book for 2021** is now available. You may call the rectory during regular office hours or send your request via the collection basket or by mail. Please include your phone number in case there are any questions. The offering is \$10 per Mass. There are still plenty of Mass Intentions for 2020 to be filled as well.

**FREE COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**

The John 21 free community breakfast has resumed on Saturday mornings at St. Patrick's Church Parish Center, 7 East Street, Whitinsville. Please come and pick up your cooked breakfast on Saturday mornings from 8:30am to 9:30am and the food will be brought to your vehicle. We are offering curbside pick-up only. All are welcome! For more information please call St. Patrick's rectory at 508-234-5656.



Many thanks to the Mumford Council #365 Knights of Columbus for their kind donation of \$500.00 to our parish. They make this donation each year and we are very grateful.

**THANK YOU**

We would like to thank the following people who made masks and contributed the elastic, pipe cleaners and wire for the nose pieces for our parish and several area hospitals: Paula Fiset, Karen Nutter, Katherine Gniadek, Terry Ryan, Florence Desmarais, Karen Chamberland, Liz Demers, Carol Zabinski, Anne Wagstaff and Laurie Petty.

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Using the best seeds doesn't always guarantee the best plants. An older Italian gentleman straight from Italy gave me these amazing tomato seeds that he claimed produced the best tomatoes ever grown. Without doubt, the fruit he shared with me was a testament to that fact. These tomatoes were amazing! I couldn't wait until the next growing season to plant these seeds and harvest my own tomatoes. The whole experiment ended up a failure. I did everything the gentleman said, but my fruit didn't even come close. What happened? At first I was perplexed, then some years later the light dawned. The problem wasn't the seeds, it was the soil!

You cannot sow seeds in any old place and in a haphazard way and expect them to be at their best. It doesn't work that way. Planting the seeds is the easiest part. Preparing the soil is the challenge. Tilling, mulching, enriching, and building up the nutrients are all required for good fruit. Then after the seeds are planted, more care is required in order to maintain that healthy, nutrient rich environment for those seeds to sprout, grow, and flourish. God happily sows the seeds of his Word. What do we do with them?

If we expect to be a passive bystander and have good fruit magically grow, we are mistaken. Bearing the good fruit of God's Word requires preparation and work. We have to cultivate the soil of our lives so that those seeds can find a proper home. This one thing alone takes a great deal of patience, time, and effort. What kind of preparation have we put into our lives so that we can be a recipient of God's seed? It takes a great deal of soul-searching and ego-checking to properly prepare. God is the ever faithful and persistent sower. If the seeds do not bear fruit the first time, God will come back time and time again, giving it another try.

If we have created a suitable bed for sowing, then once the seed is sown, we must properly maintain them. What is our maintenance plan for the seeds of God's Word? We need not only a source for water but a watering schedule. We need to weed, aerate the soil, nurture the young plants, protect them, and provide proper nutrients. What does our spiritual maintenance plan look like? If we have done all things well, imagine what the seeds of God's Word could produce in us!



**SHARING OUR BLESSINGS**  
**Weekend of July 4 & 5**  
**Weekly Goal \$5959**

Sunday Regular \$1597; Electronic \$1158; Candles \$70;  
 Parish Savings \$135; St. A. Reimbursement \$347.44;  
 Peter's Pence \$10

Number of Envelopes: 46      Thank you

*(The participation of all is very important  
 and is appreciated by the whole community)*

**2020 Partners in Charity Appeal**  
**"Envision Faith in Action"**

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2020 Partners in Charity Appeal. Good Shepherd has received **\$12,825.00** towards our goal of **\$40,200.00**. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, you may send in your check either by mail or place in the collection basket clearly marked Partner's in Charity on the envelope or visit [www.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net) to give online. Partner's in Charity, formerly known as the Bishop's Fund, is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving 28 charitable, educational and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization and worship. Thank you!

**The Mario Henry Forget Memorial Scholarship** is given to those graduates of our parish who have remained in active ministry here at Good Shepherd through their senior year of high school. Mario was an altar server and an active youth leader in our Vacation Bible School. Mario died in 2003 as the result of a car accident. This scholarship was established in 2013 to honor his memory and to assist in some small way those graduates who have been faithful to serving our parish community.

Last's year's recipients were: Lexi Millette, Sean Morrissey, Abby Stratton and Nathaniel Thompson.

If you would like to make a donation to this scholarship fund, it will be greatly appreciated. Checks should be made out to Good Shepherd and dropped in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Forget Scholarship". Thank you.

# **BACK TO SCHOOL**

## **SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED**

Many local children will not be able to provide the necessary school supplies to enjoy a successful school experience. Each year the Northbridge Association of Churches collects backpacks and supplies which the Department of Children and Families distribute to children in need. Please join us in collecting backpacks and school supplies. All items must be donated by Sunday, August, 9, 2020. Any and all donations will be appreciated. Thank you for your continued support.

Supply list: Backpack, pencils, pink eraser, crayons, hand wipes, glue sticks, washable markers (broad & thin), scissors, 3 ring binder, package plain paper, notebooks (4), pens (red & blue), pencil box, pocket folders (6), highlighters, box of tissues, hand sanitizer, Elmer's white glue, pencil sharpener, colored pencils, package lined paper, water paint set, ruler.



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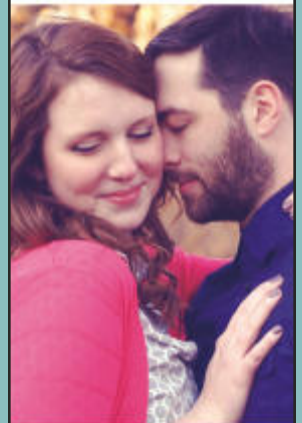
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