

Good Shepherd Catholic Church



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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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 24
6:00 PM Leo, Margaret, and Paul Fitzpatrick
 by Mary Fitzpatrick

Sunday, October 25
9:00 AM Rick Bartlett and Theresa Bartlett
 Jeannette Belanger
 by Bruce and Christine Bartlett

Tuesday, October 27
9:00 AM **MASS AT ST. AUGUSTINE**

Friday, October 30
9:00AM Luy Family by the Butler family
 Corinne Lamontagne by Joyce Paquette

Saturday, October 31
6:00 PM Deceased members of Good Shepherd Parish

Sunday, November 1
9:00 AM Eleanor Gonsorcik by her family
 Cecile Poudrier by her daughter

**Liturgical Roles October 31 and November 1
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

6:00 PM L. Roberts
9:00 AM P. Joanis

Lectors

6:00 PM J. Paquette
9:00 AM S. Joanis

Altar Servers

6:00 PM A. Thompson
9:00 AM V. Jordan

Ushers

6:00 PM C. Prior, L. Carter, J. Lydon
9:00 AM E. Metivier, K. & P. Jordan

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Readings for the week of October 25, 2020

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/1 Thes 1:5c-10/
 Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Eph 4:32—5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Eph 5:1]/Lk
 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [1a]/Lk 13

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-1

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 13:31-3


Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn
 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Holiday Fair Update/Fall Raffle

Due to the many concerns and challenges posed by COVID 19, our annual Holiday Fair will not take place this fall. We hope to be able to hold it, or a smaller version, in the spring. This is a major fundraiser for our parish. In the meantime, we are considering other ways to support our parish and also foster community spirit...**the first of which is our fall raffle.** The items are on display in the Mary Chapel. Tickets are 3 for \$5. The drawing will be held on Sunday, November 22 after the 9 AM Mass.

		
Sunday, October 25	9:00 AM	Mass
Tuesday, October 27	9:00 AM	Mass (at St. Augustine)
	5:00 PM	TOPS (Parish Hall)
Thursday, October 29	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Hall)
Friday, October 30	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday, October 31	10:00 AM	Confessions (??)
	4:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Hall)
	6:00 PM	Mass
Turn clocks BACK one hour at bedtime on Saturday!		
Sunday, November 1	9:00 AM	Mass.

NOTE

WHILE FR. VICTOR IS AWAY

Weekday masses will be as follows:

9am at St. Augustine~Tuesday, October 27
9am at Good Shepherd~Friday, October 30



Our annual Thanksgiving Gift Card Appeal begins next weekend, October 31. Envelopes will be available next to the collection baskets and at the rear of the church. There are no signup sheets this year. If you wish to help, please take an envelope and return it with a \$25 gift card for Hannaford or Shaw's; if you prefer you may give a \$25 check made out Good Shepherd and we will purchase a gift card for you.

Returns should be made on the weekends of November 7/8 or November 14/15. You may either:
 Place your envelope in one of the collection baskets
 Drop it off at the rectory, 121 Linwood St.
 Mail it to Good Shepherd Church, P.O. Box 517,
 Linwood, MA 01525.

Your wonderful generosity has provided many holiday meals for our less fortunate neighbors over the years. Thank you for reaching out in love and service to the Lord and to each other.

Good Shepherd Parish Charity and Social Justice Committee

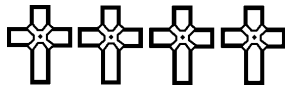


Remember to turn your clocks back one hour at bedtime next Saturday, October 31.



Religious Ed Classes began with parent meetings for students in grades Preschool – 8th grade last Sunday, October 18. This was a brief 20-minute meeting that included an overview of our curriculum this year, Pflaum Gospel Weeklies, and instructions on how to use this curriculum with your children at home. We will meet again in November before Thanksgiving to check in with parents and review the next cycle of Gospel Weeklies. In addition, our Catechist team will create videos to share with families to help with the book, What the Church Believes and Teaches. This is part of the same program.

Confirmation preparation classes will begin this Sunday, October 25 at St. Augustine's. We will offer a hybrid model. For those who are comfortable, we will meet in person from 5-7 PM. If you are not ready to join us in person, we ask you to join us virtually. An email will be sent with specific details. Please RSVP to Donna Wilson when you get the email.



The Knights of Columbus Mumford Council #365 is hosting its Annual Essay Contest 2020 for all Catholic students in grades 8-12. Entry forms and instructions are located in the bulletin racks inside the main doors of the church. Questions should be directed to Devin Graham, Grand Knight, at GrandKnight365@gmail.com



All Souls Day

All Souls Day, November 2, is a day on which the Church pauses to remember and pray for our beloved deceased relatives and friends, that they may pass into eternal life. Your envelopes with the names of your families and friends for whom you wish to pray will remain on the altar in the main church throughout the month of November, and your intentions will be remembered at each mass.

**October 25, 2020
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For some reason, it is easier to genuflect in reverence to the presence of Christ in the tabernacle of a church, than to genuflect in reverence to the same presence of Christ in another person's soul. We wrongly believe that God divides himself, placing himself in one place in preference to another. It doesn't work that way. Love of God and love of neighbor are intimately and inseparably connected because the essence and spark of God's very presence is in all creation. God's presence is just as real in the one who is good, as in the one who is bad, and the one who is just, and the one who is unjust.

Our brains get in the way of truly contemplating the awesomeness of this truth. We like to separate things into boxes, the sheep from the goats and the deserving from the undeserving. But, with God there are no distinctions such as this. Our human classifications, subdivisions, and definitions hold no power or have any weight in God's eyes. Sadly, we relate to God and to each other as if they do.

We cannot be deaf to the world's pain. It is not about having, hoarding, accumulating, acquiring, securing, storing, protecting, owning, claiming, or any of the other human terms we use to distinguish mine from yours. We put so much power in these words and that power, even though we may not always realize it, can cause those words and the distinctions they carry to wound and hurt others. We have the whole order of things wrong, but we are so set on preserving this order that we are absolutely afraid to do it any other way. We go through hoops trying to convince ourselves why the perils of the person seeking a new place to call home are not our perils that we turn our back and justify closing our doors. It makes perfect sense to us. Yet, it makes no sense in terms of our faith. It doesn't square with any of the words found in Sacred Scripture or in any time-tested teaching of the church.

We have it all reversed. We know that we do because when Jesus speaks about such things and the words of the Old Testament prophets ring out again, we start to feel uncomfortable and anxious. What we do, directly or by omission, to one of the least of these little ones we do to God. It is quite possible that some of what we are doing personally, economically, politically, globally, and even religiously is doing more harm than good. Let's ponder that a bit.

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SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Weekend of October 17 & 18

Sunday Regular \$1333; Electronic \$463;
Candles \$15; R.E. Registrations \$315

Other Income

Cath. Schools Appeal \$3; World Missions \$70
Number of Envelopes: 43 Thank you

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

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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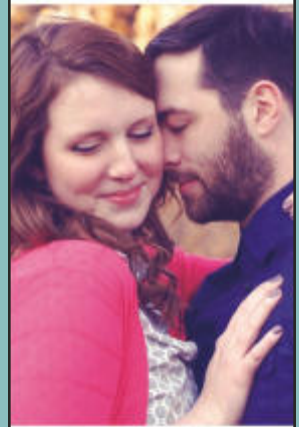
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