

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

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, January 30
6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd
Sunday, January 31
9:00 AM The People of Good Shepherd
Tuesday, February 2
9:00 AM The People of Good Shepherd
Friday, February 5
9:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory
 by the Helpers of the Holy Souls
Saturday, February 6
6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd
Sunday, February 7
9:00 AM Eleanor Gonsorcik by her family

Liturgical Roles February 6 & 7
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6:00 PM L. Roberts, A. Thomson
9:00 AM M. Destrempe

Lectors

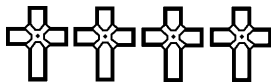
6:00 PM M. O'Sullivan
9:00 AM A. Darling

Altar Servers

6:00 PM D. Rousseau
9:00 AM C. Wilson

Ushers

6:00 PM L. Carter, J. Lydon, C. Prior
9:00 AM L. Derderian, S. Pickering, R. Poulin



Readings for the week of January 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/
 1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 [25]/
 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Heb 2:14-18/
 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a
 [cf. 17]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9,
 10-11 [cf. 10]/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc [1a]/
 Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/
 Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/
 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39



CALENDAR

Sunday, January 31	9:00 AM	Mass
Monday, February 1	7:00 PM	Parish Council Via Zoom
Tuesday, February 2	9:00 AM	Mass
	5:00 PM	TOPS (Church Hall)
Thursday, February 4	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Church Hall)
Friday, February 5	9:00 AM	Mass
	9:30 AM	Adoration
Saturday, February 6	10:00 AM	Confessions
	4:00 PM	Bible Study (Church Hall)
	6:00 PM	Mass
Sunday, February 7	9:00 AM	Mass

The Mass book for 2021 is open. Please email the office at gshpherd7726@charter.net or call Maureen on her cell at 508-868-2246.

Diocese Collection for Priest Retirement

On Ash Wednesday, February 17, the parishes of our diocese will take up a collection to support the retired priests of our diocese.

We currently have 50 retired priests. An additional 42 priests will reach the retirement age of 75 within the next nine years. Over the last two fiscal years, the costs of priest retirement, including housing, health insurance and monthly stipends have ranged from \$2.2—2.6 million leading to significant annual shortfalls.

Your support of the Ash Wednesday collection will help us meet our obligation to those priests who have faithfully served us and our families through the decades.

Thank you for your support!

Valentine's Day Mass of Remembrance

Each of us has been blessed to have people of great faith and wisdom in our lives. We've all known people who sadly have passed away, but not before leaving their mark upon us. Our great-grandparents, grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles, siblings, children, cousins, teachers, clergy, friends, neighbors and mentors have touched our lives and shaped our identity. On Sunday, February 14th at the 9 AM Mass we want to honor, celebrate, and pray for all these loved ones with a beautiful Mass of Remembrance. Uplifting music, thoughtful readings and votive candles will provide the perfect atmosphere for reflection and remembrance. Please come and bring a friend.

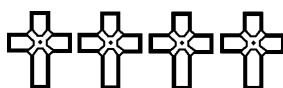
The Good Shepherd Evangelization Team

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Most of us are quiet people who desire to live a good and holy life, promote the values and mission of the Gospel as best we can and desire to one day inherit the surprise of life eternal God promises to us. We are not trail blazers. We are simple people who want to do the simple things of life well. But there are others who left a more profound impact along the way of the paths they walked. Folks like Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King, Thomas Merton, Gandhi, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and many others left lasting impacts and legacies. Like Moses, they show us by word and deed who God is and what integrity and a purpose driven life look like. They show us how to be holy. We need Moses people like these to give us inspiration, hope and an example of holy living.

We do not need to do what they did or even mirror their relationship with God. Each one of us is God’s special creation, with a purpose and soul known only to us. We need to learn how to open up and bring, without compromise, our soul-ness to life. We know when someone is authentic and centered because they always point to truth, even though they struggle and sin themselves, and they embody an unspoken timeless wisdom that just sounds and feels right. Jesus taught with this same type of authority and it astonished many who listened. We do not need to move mountains, advance a cause, write books or become notable. All we have to do is become credible witnesses of the faith we profess. Moses people can teach us how to do this.

St. Oscar Romero was an amazing man and a Moses figure for sure. He saw God in the burning bush and brought the flame of Gospel faith to the poorest of the poor, challenging the evils of the society in which he lived. He was tireless and persistent. He must have gotten very close to the problem because it cost him his life. He suspected it would. St. Romero said, “When we leave Mass, we ought to go out the way Moses descended Mt Sinai: with his face shining, with his heart brave and strong to face the world’s difficulties.” We can learn from this wisdom. If we allow the power of the Mass to truly transform us, we will leave that holy encounter changed. Our face will shine, and we will have courage. We can then bring what we have received to life’s challenges. That sounds doable, doesn’t it? Because of the example of our simple holiness, people will be amazed.



SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Weekend of January 23 & 24

Regular \$1649; Electronic \$463; Candles \$20;
Parish Savings \$30; Christmas \$10; Initial Offering \$20;
St. Augustine reimbursement \$2542.67;

Chapel roof donation \$200

Total Envelopes: 36

Thank you

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



*Sacrament of Reconciliation Preparation
January 31, February 7, 28
10:00 am—10:30 am
in the Church*

*Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held on
Saturday, March 6, 2021*

*First Eucharist Preparation
March 14, 21, 28 (Palm Sunday)
April 11, 25
10:00 am—10:45 am
in the Church*

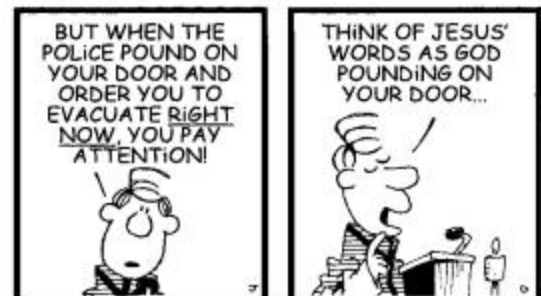
*First Eucharist will be held on
Sunday, May 2, 2021*

We ask one parent to attend with their child. This will allow us to comply with the Diocese and State recommendations.

We would love for you to join us at the Mass each week as we look forward to celebrating your child receiving the Eucharist in May. The Mary Chapel is available for seating if you are not comfortable with the main church. We assure you that the pews are sanitized after each Mass and that all must wear masks and use hand sanitizer upon arrival and before Communion.

**Parish Council meeting Monday,
February 1 at 7:00 pm via Zoom.**

4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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