

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 _____

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New parishioner Change of address Please contact me

Linwood/Uxbridge, Massachusetts



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 27
6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd

Sunday, February 28
9:00 AM Scott White by Linda White

Tuesday, March 2
9:00 AM Marie Creedon by Joyce Paquette
 Edward Sweet by Linda Roberts

Friday, March 5
9:00AM Laura Woeller by Joyce Paquette

Saturday, March 6
6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd

Sunday, March 7
9:00 AM Eleanor Gonsorcik by her family
 Gwen Taylor Newhall by Joyce Paquette

Liturgical Roles March 6 & 7
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6:00 PM M. Destrempes
9:00 AM R. Poulin

Lectors

6:00 PM M. Landry
9:00 AM A. Darling

Altar Servers

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

Ushers/Greeters

6:00 PM L. Carter, J. Lydon, C. Prior
9:00 AM D. & MB Guertin, Need 1



Stations of the Cross

Good Shepherd
 after the 9:00 am mass
 every Friday during Lent

St. Augustine
 7:00 pm
 every Friday during Lent

FEBRUARY IS
CATHOLIC FREE PRESS MONTH

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There will be NO First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on March 5. We will be having Stations of the Cross after the 9:00 am Mass only.

		sun	mon	tue	CALENDAR	
		2	3	4		
		9	10	11		
Sunday, February 28	9:00 AM	Mass				
Tuesday, March 2	9:00 AM	Mass				
	5:00 PM	TOPS (Church Hall)				
Thursday, March 4	7:00 PM	Holy Hour (Church)				
	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Church Hall)				
Friday, March 5	9:00 AM	Mass				
	9:30 AM	Stations of the Cross (Church)				
Saturday, March 6	10:00 AM	Confessions				
	4:00 PM	Bible Study (Church Hall)				
	6:00 PM	Mass				
Sunday, March 7	9:00 AM	Mass				

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

Deacon Mike will offer a Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction during Lent from 7:00pm-8:00pm on the following dates: Thursday, 3/4 @ Good Shepherd; Thursday, 3/18 @ St. Augustine. Please come and take this opportunity to pray before our Lord as a way to improve our relationship with him and so become closer to him during this holy season that is dedicated to these very things.

Readings for the week of February 28, 2021

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

2nd Sunday of Lent

A pregnant woman was walking in the store and met an old friend. Her friend exclaimed, "You are absolutely beaming!" The new life God placed in her womb radiated throughout her body. It was brightly visible on her face and in her eyes. Transformation and change usually happen from the inside out. It is very rare that simply imposing structure from the outside does any good. Yes, it is true that routines and habits can change when things are done differently. But, for this change to last there has to be an interior renewal and metamorphosis as well. Simply regulating behavior and bringing someone into conformity with accepted protocols doesn't mean their heart and soul come with them.

Peter was a homeless man who lived in a very remote and rudimentary tent community. He was happy to make his daily trip to McDonald's and always welcomed a gift card or two so that he could buy some coffee and something to eat. A generous advocate worked to secure him an apartment in hopes of moving Peter out of his makeshift housing and into something safer. Peter finally got the grand tour of his new "digs," received his own key, remarked how wonderful the place was, closed the door behind him when they left and never returned. He preferred his tent. No matter how much things changed on the outside, Peter was happy where he was. A poignant lesson was learned that day.

How is your Lent going? By now you ought to have a sense of whether you're really "into it" this year and something transformational is happening. For many, it's only the stuff on the outside that changes for a few weeks and then they return to business as usual. For others, there are some real inner changes happening that are deepening their relationships with God, others, self, and creation. If we are serious about moving to a new place and radiating with the presence of new life and joy, then we have to clear the way to listen for God's call. Then, there is God's request to change things up a bit and order our lives differently. After realizing we have been called and given a mission, we have to trust that this is where we need to be. And then, after all of this hard work we are asked to act. The fruit that is revealed will indicate whether our journey is authentic. The brilliance of conversion will begin to shine on our faces as we contemplate the One to whom we are asked to listen.

Can you live like St. Joseph?

1230AM/970AM Emmanuel Radio presents the "Year of St. Joseph" 100 Men Challenge calling men to live like St. Joseph for 100 days in prayer and action. In this year of St. Joseph, answer your call to faith like St. Joseph answered his. To join or even sponsor another young man in your life go to 1230radio.com/st.joseph100menchallenge or call (508) 767-1230.

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS**Weekend of February 20 & 21**

Regular \$2153; Electronic \$463; Candles \$30;
Parish Savings \$135; Catholic Free Press \$39;
St. Augustine Reimbursement \$2542.67

Other

Ash Wednesday/Priests Retirement \$275

Total Envelopes: 84

Thank you!

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation Preparation**

February 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.



Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2021 *Partner's in Charity Appeal, Faith in Action*. Good Shepherd has received \$9,245.00 towards our goal of \$40,200.00 with 38 gifts. 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 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!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone "Virtual"!

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and some span multiple weeks on a given weekday. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call at or visit them at <https://www.mema.org/>.

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Let us learn to listen better to each other and God by participating in a virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on

Friday/Saturday/Sunday March 19-21

Thursdays/Mondays April 8-29

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