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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, May 1**  
6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd
- Sunday, May 2**  
9:00 AM Eleanor Gonsorcik by her family  
Lena Gouin (2nd anniv.) by her family  
John (51st anniv.) & Rochelle (32nd anniv.)  
by their family
- Tuesday, May 4**  
9:00 AM Mary Gigliello by Eleanor Hatem
- Friday, May 7**  
9:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Helpers of the  
Holy Souls
- Saturday, May 8**  
6:00 PM Sam Cogliandro (33rd anniv.) by his family
- Sunday, May 9**  
9:00 AM Jeannette Belanger & Teresa Bartlett  
by Bruce & Christine Bartlett  
Cecile Poudrier by her family

**Liturgical Roles May 8 & 9**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

- 6:00 PM M. Destrempe
- 9:00 AM P. Joanis

**Lectors**

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

**Altar Servers**

- 6:00 PM D. Rousseau
- 9:00 AM A. Thompson

**Ushers/Greeters**

- 6:00 PM J. Lydon, C. Prior, G. White
- 9:00 AM J. & M. Morrissey, R. Poulin

**Readings for the week of May 2, 2021**

- Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/  
1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8
- Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14
- Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21  
[cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/  
Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/  
Jn 15:9-11
- Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/  
Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
- Next Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4  
[cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17



**CALENDAR**

<b>Sunday, May 2</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Monday, May 3</b>	7:00 PM	Confirmation (St. Paul's Cathedral)
<b>Tuesday, May 4</b>	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Mass TOPS (Church Hall)
<b>Thursday, May 6</b>	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Church Hall)
<b>Friday, May 7</b>	9:00 AM 9:30 AM	Mass First Friday Adoration
<b>Saturday, May 8</b>	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Confessions (Church) First Communion (Church) Bible Study (Church Hall) Mass
<b>Sunday, May 9</b>	9:00 AM	Mass



First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be Friday, May 7 at 9:30 am in the church.

*National Day of*

**PRAYER**

May 6, 2021

**Lighter Side**

**Fiscal Riddles**

- Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?  
A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.
- Q. Who was the greatest female financier in the Bible?  
A. Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet.

**5th Sunday of Easter**

“Spiraling out of control,” is a phrase that can easily describe the current display of human existence. In addition to the violence, unrest, uneasiness and turmoil that are common elements of our daily news, other essential pieces are misplaced or missing. Many lack an objective center around which to order and structure their lives or a clear set of definable goals or mores to act as guideposts and life directives. It appears that “feelings” have become a “new god” and traditional structures and ideals set aside. It is almost as if history only shows that we got this whole thing wrong and many are determined to finally set things right. The real truth, however, is that while wrongs and errors are certainly a part of our often-checked past, it is hardly the case that all was wrong. It is not our task to rewrite the history of our lives, but to learn from mistakes that were made, and preserve the perennial wisdom at the root of our successes. Learning is an essential part of being human.

The question becomes, however, from whom do we learn? Some have such a hard time placing God in that position, but that is precisely where God needs to be. God is the Master Teacher from whom all of humanity learns and gets its cues. It is in and through this relationship with the Gardener of Life that we are fashioned and pruned into the people we are intended to be and can be. It is only in God that we are able to find our best selves. Sadly, many think that religion too, as well as history in general, has also gotten all this wrong. Yet, our resurrection faith tells us differently. We are reminded, today especially, that we are meant to remain in Christ as Christ remains in us. We are also reminded that Jesus, the Incarnate God, is the vine upon which we grow, the branches that flow from the source of God’s life.

Giving up our will to God’s can be a painful endeavor. It is not easy to set our own desires and wants aside and allow God to step in and direct and guide our growth. But this is the only way to prevent deadly weeds from overtaking us and bringing us to a place of self-destruction. God’s commandments are the very guideposts and benchmarks we need, yet many seek to remove them from all public view because they appear to limit self-expression and suppress what is considered by many to be “human freedom.” They are the only way we can find freedom, however. And, until we learn this fundamental lesson, we will continue to spiral out of control, never really knowing who we are, what our potential can be or how life really can be lived. We will not know peace.

**SHARING OUR BLESSINGS****Weekend of April 24 & 25**

Regular \$2184; Electronic \$473; Utilities \$145;  
Parish Savings \$60; Candles \$45;  
St. A. Reimbursement \$2716; New Day \$162

**Total Envelopes: 62**  
**Thank you!**



**Confirmation will be held on  
Monday, May 3, 7:00 pm  
at St. Paul’s Cathedral**

**First Eucharist will be held on  
Saturday, May 8, 11:00 am**

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

Here at Good Shepherd, we follow the guidelines of the national charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the policies of the Worcester Diocese in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. For questions, information or help please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Worcester at 508-929-4363 (direct line and confidential voicemail is available).

**2021 May Basket Raffle  
Good Shepherd Parish**

We are pleased to let you know that we have come up with a plan to hold a modified May Basket Raffle, taking into account all the state and diocesan guidelines.

**27 Themed Baskets and Several Gift Certificates**

**Tickets for the above are \$1 each of 6 tickets for \$5**

**You can access tickets on our website :  
[goodshepherdlinwood.org/may-raffle-baskets](http://goodshepherdlinwood.org/may-raffle-baskets)**

**Mail your payment and your raffle distribution sheet to the parish office at the above address and please put**

**Attention May Raffle Baskets on the front of the envelope**

We will be set up in the hall after our Saturday 6pm Mass and Sunday after the 9am Mass from May 1st through May 30<sup>th</sup>, so that you may stop in at your convenience to view the baskets and drop off your purchased tickets. We will also be open to the public on Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm to 5:30pm and Saturday, May 22nd from 4pm-5:30pm.

If you are not comfortable coming in, but would like to take chances on any of the raffles, you may send a check or cash to the parish office. Simply let us know which raffles you would like to purchase tickets for and how many tickets will be placed on each basket or gift certificate by filling out the raffle distribution sheet.

All drawings will take place on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and you will be contacted by phone to pick up your prize.

This will be our major fundraising event for the year, so whatever you can contribute would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Roberts by phone (774) 280-6602 or Ann Wagstaff by email at [wagstaffa473@gmail.com](mailto:wagstaffa473@gmail.com).

Thank you,

Linda Roberts and Ann Wagstaff  
May Basket Raffle Committee

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