

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

# MEMORIAL DAY



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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 29**  
**6:00 PM** Cecile & Arthur Poudrier by Jeannette D. M.
- Sunday, May 30**  
**9:00 AM** Regina Manna by her family
- Tuesday, June 1**  
**9:00 AM** The People of Good Shepherd
- Friday, June 4**  
**9:00AM** Mosqueda & Fiera families by the Butler family
- Saturday, June 5**  
**6:00 PM** Billy Ballou (1st anniv.) by his family  
 Rachel Bergeron (5th anniv.)  
 by Sharon Dionne Richards
- Sunday, June 6**  
**9:00 AM** Eleanor Gonsorcik by her family

**Liturgical Roles June 5 & 6**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

- 6:00 PM** L. Roberts  
**9:00 AM** S. Joanis

**Lectors**

- 6:00 PM** M. O’Sullivan  
**9:00 AM** P. Joanis

**Altar Servers**

- 6:00 PM** V. Jordan  
**9:00 AM** C. Wilson

**Ushers/Greeters**

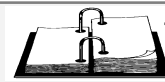
- 6:00 PM** J. & K. Jordan, J. Lydon  
**9:00 AM** J. & M. Morrissey, D. Wilson

**Readings for the week of May 30, 2021**

- Sunday:** Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
- Monday:** Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56
- Tuesday:** Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 [cf. 7c]/ Mk 12:13-17
- Wednesday:** Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [1]/Mk 12:18-27
- Thursday:** Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 12:28-34
- Friday:** Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mk 12:35-37
- Saturday:** Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 [1b]/ Mk 12:38-44
- Next Sunday:** Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/ Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26



**First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will be held on Friday, June 4 after the 9:00 am mass.



**The Week Ahead**

<b>Sunday, May 30</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Tuesday, June 1</b>	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Mass TOPS (Parish Center)
<b>Thursday, June 3</b>	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Center)
<b>Friday, June 4</b>	9:00 AM 9:30 AM	Mass First Friday Adoration (Church)
<b>Saturday, June 5</b>	10:00 AM  4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Confessions (Church) Bible Study (Parish Center) Mass
<b>Sunday, June 6</b>	9:00 AM	Mass

**St. Mary’s church will be celebrating mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31 at St. Mary’s cemetery at 8:00 am. In case of rain, mass will be celebrated at St. Mary’s church.**

**Diocese of Worcester  
 Office of the Bishop  
 49 Elm Street  
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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last weekend we celebrated the Solemnity of Pentecost during which we heard these words from the Acts of the Apostles: “we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God.” Consider these two thoughts as our diocese recognizes **World Communications Day** next weekend and take up the annual **Catholic Communications Campaign**.

First, we must recognize that communication is at the heart of how we fulfill our mission as Church. Just as the Holy Spirit empowered those early apostles, so, too, we are all commissioned to share the good news of salvation. Secondly, today we communicate not just in every language but on every platform, including printed and broadcast media as well as social media including Facebook and Livestream.

Our patron, St. Paul, witnessed to the faith in the marketplace. Today, examples of witnessing to the faith abound. Pope Francis inspires the world as the Vicar of Christ on all forms of media; our national conference of Bishops advocates for key justice issues, including immigration reform, religious liberty and protecting the most vulnerable in society from the unborn to the elderly and infirm. Locally, our communications efforts in conjunction with our parishes build our communities of faith, and were critical to keep parishioners connected during the pandemic through emails, websites, the *Catholic Free Press* and cable TV programming as well as social media.

In his message for World Communications Day, Pope Francis writes: “...the Gospel comes alive in our own day, whenever we accept the compelling witness of people whose lives have been changed by their encounter with Jesus. For two millennia, a chain of such encounters has communicated the attractiveness of the Christian adventure. The challenge that awaits us, the, is to communicate by encountering people, where they are and as they are.”

The Catholic Communications Campaign supports national and diocesan resources to enable those encounters. Please give generously on the weekend of June 5 & 6 in your parish or visit worcesterdiocese.org to make an online donation or to learn more.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus  
 Bishop of Worcester

**The Most Holy Trinity**

Let God be who God is. This is often one of the hardest things to do. Rather than allowing the mystery of being created in the image and likeness of God unfold and take root in our lives, we change the dynamic. We want to be the creators who want to make God into the image and likeness we need God to be. We have a hard-enough time letting the people in our lives be who they are. We struggle even more so with God. It is almost as if we want God to be our imaginary friend who is not only with us whenever we need but becomes the Being we need God to be. Who is it that we want God to be today? A protector, disciplinarian, champion for justice, healer, advocate for our cause, grantor of prayers, guardian of my life, or the avenger? Our prayers tell an interesting story. When you pray, what does God look like?

Recently, a young woman who was feeling invisible, overlooked, ignored, and misunderstood by her husband struggled to make her feelings known and get his attention. Finally, she screamed, "Listen to me!" Thus, birth was given to a renewed and healthier relationship. We spend so much time storming heaven with our agenda and trying to make God into a "god" of our desires that we do not hear God saying, "Listen to me!" God is desperately trying to get our attention. God is saying, I am here among you as not one but three, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Many people seldom notice God's presence because they are so caught up with other spiritual cares and concerns. And, when the "god" they fashion and create doesn't produce as they desire, they shake the dust from their feet and move on. "I tried," they exclaim, "but God didn't listen."

Healthy relationships aren't built on making someone be who we need them to be. Healthy relationships are built on encounters of persons and the development of an appreciation of someone solely for who they are. Deeper relationships can even be found with two people marveling at each other and almost experiencing a childlike joy and giddiness when they see the other coming. Do you ever have these feelings about God? Believe it or not, God does for you! There is a joyful laughter that gives rise to and connects all three members of the Holy Trinity. It is this laughter, flowing from the very depths of the Godhead that not only keeps the Trinity in joyful unity but spills over into the creation of all beings and things. It is an expression of Divine Delight! Have you ever taken time away from your agenda to experience the Divine Joyfulness of God?

We can reach a connection of Presence wherein even the smallest of creatures suddenly radiate the fullness of God: the wonderful creation of their being, the innocence and playfulness of their movements, and the sustaining life breath that flows through their veins. The same God who created the heavens and the earth is the same God who wants you to call him 'Dad' and the same God who preserves your life and has all things in His care.

**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. In 2003 Mario died as the result of a tragic 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 year the recipient was Tomas Etzold. We look forward to awarding this scholarship again this year, but we need your help.

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 Parish, with "Forget Scholarship" on the memo line of the check, and dropped in the collection basket. Thank you.

**The Mass book for 2022 is open.** Please email the office at [gshepherd7726@charter.net](mailto:gshepherd7726@charter.net) or call Maureen at 508-234-7726.

**Knights of Columbus News**

The Mumford Council #365 Knights of Columbus will be praying the rosary at St. Peter parish, Church Ave., Northbridge on Wednesday, June 2 at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

**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

**SHARING OUR BLESSINGS**

**Weekend of May 22 & 23**

Regular \$1925; Electronic \$473; Ascension \$85; Utilities \$20;  
Parish Savings \$32; Candles \$15; Funeral \$100;  
St. A. Reimbursement \$2542.67; Kitchen donations \$1000

**Total Envelopes: 53**  
**Thank you!**

**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).

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