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PSALM 23

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

Priests' Residence

St. Mary Rectory
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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 _____

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New parishioner Change of address Please contact me

Linwood/Uxbridge, Massachusetts

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Saturday, July 17**
6:00 PM Frances & Fortunato Cogliandro by their family
- Sunday, July 18**
9:00 AM Pete & Rose Labonte & family
 By Gerry & Eileen
- Tuesday, July 20**
9:00 AM Rod Martone by Joyce Paquette
- Friday, July 23**
9:00AM Michelle Garabedian by Maureen
- Saturday, July 24**
6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd
- Sunday, July 25**
9:00 AM The People of Good Shepherd

Liturgical Roles July 24 & 25

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 6:00 PM** A. Thomson
9:00 AM C. Guertin

Lectors

- 6:00 PM** M. Landry
9:00 AM S. Desjourdy

Altar Servers

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

Ushers/Greeters

- 6:00 PM** L. Carter, G. White, need 1
9:00 AM D. & MB Guertin, D. Wilson



The Rosary Makers group will meet on Wednesday, July 21 at 6:00pm in the Parish Center.



The Week Ahead

Sunday, July 18	9:00 AM	Mass
Tuesday, July 20	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Mass TOPS (Parish Center)
Wednesday, July 21	6:00 PM	Rosary Makers (Parish Center)
Thursday, July 22	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Center)
Friday, July 23	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday, July 24	10:00 AM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Confessions (Church) Bible Study (Parish Center) Mass
Sunday, July 25	9:00 AM	Mass

Readings for the week of July 18, 2021

- Sunday:** Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/
Mk 6:30-34
- Monday:** Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/
Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday:** Ex 14:21—15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/
Mt 12:46-50
- Wednesday:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28
[24b]/Mt 13:1-9
- Thursday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
[2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
- Friday:** Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [cf. Jn 6:68c]/
Mt 13:18-23
- Saturday:** Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/
Mt 13:24-30
- Next Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16,
17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. 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, visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.



Coffee and Donuts

Please join us on Sunday morning after the 9am mass.



“When the time is right, I, the Lord, will make it happen.”
Isaiah 60:22

Dear Families,

Welcome to Good Shepherd / St. Mary’s NEW religious education program! This recently developed initiative is tremendously exciting for us. For the very first time in the Diocese of Worcester, our parish families will receive religious education instruction alongside the students from Our Lady of the Valley Regional School. We are utilizing the Spirit of Truth curriculum published by the Sophia Institute. This new **weekly** program will also include monthly Community Fellowship Days where parish and school families will be invited to join together to participate in service projects, feast days and holiday celebrations.

Information sessions will be held at Good Shepherd and St. Mary Parishes on the following days. Online registration opens on Monday, July 26th. We’re looking forward to working together to build God’s Kingdom on earth!

Parent Information Sessions: You may attend at either location regardless of parish affiliation

Good Shepherd - Saturday July 24th at 11:30 a.m. (Parish Hall).

St. Mary - Sunday July 25th Immediately following the 9 a.m. mass (Parish Center).



SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Weekend of July 3 & 4

Regular \$2966; Electronic \$778; Parish Savings \$390;
 Candles \$5; St. Augustine reimbursement \$117.75;
 Living Faith Booklets \$7

Other

Peter’s Pence \$45

Total Envelopes: 65

Thank you!

Weekend of July 10 & 11

Regular \$1539; Electronic \$523; Candles \$45;
 Parish Savings \$72; Living Faith Booklets \$8

Total Envelopes: 56

Thank you!

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

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There’s an ordinary pine grove located on a tree farm not too far from town where life’s stresses and demands seem to melt away. It is here that all that seemed so important out there no longer is and one can get lost in the rows of trees and majestic beauty. God is here and all is good. We need to connect with the Divine Source of all that is in order to understand what it is we are doing and why we are doing it. Otherwise, things stop making sense and bitterness can overcome one’s spirit. It’s okay to play once in a while and to discover that place of profound life and peace. People always have needs and there is constantly something to do. And while all of that is necessary and we are needed, there is also that inner solitude within that needs to be celebrated and released.

We all need a pine grove. It’s that little place we can go and leave all that consumes us behind. It’s a place where technology can be set aside and wonder, and awe given some time. We don’t have to text, calculate, or orchestrate anything in the pine grove. It is a somewhat deserted place where all of that can be set aside and we can just be. The anger, frustration, exhaustion, discouragement, helplessness, and occasional apathy, all can fall to the ground like all of those pine needles that once held their place on the branch of a Frasier Fir. The needles can let go. We can let go. We are beings connected with Being and we all need to remember what really matters, who really matters and what life is truly all about. We need to find that place where we can rest and let go of all of the barnacles we accumulate. Rest, breathe, seek, and love.

The world will need us again when we leave the pine grove. It will all be waiting for us, beckoning for our attention. But we will have prayed and will have marveled at the silence and the beauty of goodness. We can go back, ready, and eager to listen, to help, to heal, to cry, to embrace, and attend to all that is asked of us. But, having let go of the distractions in that deserted place we will have a renewed sense of purpose. We will know better Who it is we serve and what we are meant to do. It will all be clearer now that we have been Divinely touched and refreshed.

The Lighter Side

The Kindergartener

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom as the children drew pictures. The teacher would occasionally walk around and see each child’s artwork. As she approached one little girl who was working especially hard, she asked what the drawing was.

The little girl told her: “I’m drawing God!”

“But sweetie,” the teacher replied, “no one actually knows what God looks like.”

Automatically, the little girl continued drawing and said, “well, they certainly will in a minute!”



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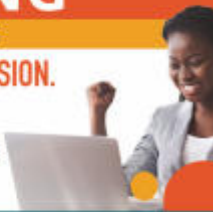
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