

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church



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## Religious Education Contact Information

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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  
77 Mendon Street  
Uxbridge, MA 01569  
508-278-2226

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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Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

New parishioner  Change of address  Please contact me

## Linwood/Uxbridge, Massachusetts

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

- Saturday, September 11**  
**6:00 PM** Susan Campo Weiss (19th anniv.) by her mom
- Sunday, September 12**  
**9:00 AM** Marcel & Palma Turgeon by Helen & family  
 Barbara G. Etzold (20th anniv.)  
 by the Etzold family
- Tuesday, September 14**  
**9:00 AM** Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Helpers of  
 the Holy Souls
- Friday, September 17**  
**9:00AM** Michael Feen by Maureen
- Saturday, September 18**  
**6:00 PM** Anna & Dominick DiRenzo by their family
- Sunday, September 19**  
**9:00 AM** The People of Good Shepherd

**The Week Ahead**

<b>Sunday, September 12</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Tuesday, September 14</b>	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Mass TOPS (Parish Center)
<b>Wednesday, September 15</b>	6:30 PM	Rosary Makers (Parish Center)
<b>Thursday, September 16</b>	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Center)
<b>Friday, September 17</b>	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	Mass Dedication of Church Dinner to follow
<b>Saturday, September 18</b>	10:00 AM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Confessions (Church) Bible Study (Parish Center) Mass
<b>Sunday, September 19</b>	9:00 AM	Mass

**Liturgical Roles September 18 & 19**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

- 6:00 PM** J. Hauge, J. Paquette  
**9:00 AM** J. & T. Kramer

**Lectors**

- 6:00 PM** S. Desjourdy  
**9:00 AM** A. Darling

**Altar Servers**

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

**Ushers/Greeters**

- 6:00 PM** L. Carter, G. White

**Readings for the week of September 12, 2021**

- Sunday:** Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/  
 Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
- Monday:** 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10,  
 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10
- Tuesday:** Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37,  
 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
- Wednesday:** 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/  
 Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
- Thursday:** 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50
- Friday:** 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/  
 Lk 8:1-3
- Saturday:** 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-15
- Next Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/  
 Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them.



***“God doesn’t call the qualified  
He qualifies the called”***

Our new Religious Education program kicks off at the end of September and there is a need for catechists (grades 1-8), teaching assistant, substitute teachers, volunteers to help with monthly fellowship days, retreats, celebrations, materials preparation, etc.

Religious Education classes will be held weekly on Sundays immediately following the 9 am mass. Training and support for catechists and volunteers will be held before classes begin on 9/26.

Our new curriculum, the Spirit of Truth published by Sophia Press, is an engaging and enriching program filled with lessons and activities based in the Catechism of the Catholic Church and approved by the USCCB.

Please, prayerfully consider sharing your time, talent and treasure with the children and families entering our new parish program. Thank you and God bless you.

Questions? Please contact Marybeth Hay, Director of Catechesis and Education, [MHay@stmaryuxbridge.org](mailto:MHay@stmaryuxbridge.org). 508-278-3777, x21.



Please leave any yard signs you have in the back of the church or the hall and they will be updated and returned to you for display.

**GARDENERS NEEDED**

We have 9 Good Shepherd Gardens. Some need adopting! #3 and #7 are taken. Please email, call or text Laurie Petty if interested.

Thank you.

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**Because of early bulletin deadline, financial information will appear in a future bulletin.**

**SHARING OUR BLESSINGS**

**Weekend of September 4 & 5**

Regular \$; Electronic \$; Candles \$;  
Parish Savings \$; New Day \$; Assumption \$

**Total Envelopes:**

**Thank you!**

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

**20th Anniversary  
Prayer of Remembrance**

Almighty and Ever-Loving God, we remember September 11, 2001, and pray for all those who were affected by the terrible events of that day. We remember, with love and respect, all of those who went tragically to their deaths.

We remember those who will suffer from their injuries of that day twenty years ago and pray for their recovery. We remember the still grieving families and friends and all who lost loved ones.

Gracious Lord, continue to console them in the hope that all who trust in You will find peace and rest in Your Eternal Kingdom. Bless them with your presence and surround us all with Your love.

God of peace, bless all those defending and protecting our country and its ideals of freedom and liberty. May Your kingdom of justice and of peace reign and may the earth be filled with Your glory.

**AMEN**

**PILGRIMAGE UPDATE**

Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy and the Norman Rockwell Museum will be Monday, September 20, 2021.

All seats on the bus have been sold. If you are still interested, please give your name to your parish contact (Maureen Briand). We will contact you if we have any cancelations.

People should arrive at St. Mary’s at 7:30 am to begin boarding. The bus will leave promptly at 8:00 am. The bus will leave NRWM at 12:30 pm, so everyone needs to board the bus by 12:15 pm. The Shrine return boarding is at 4:30 pm. We will be back between 7:45-8:00 pm. This allows for a short stop on the way home at a Rest Area for food and bathroom break.

A reminder, you need to bring your own lunch. There is a small restaurant at the museum for a light menu. Both the museum and the shrine have a picnic area.

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If anyone is looking for “farm fresh” eggs, please call Karen Jordan at 508-954-0600.



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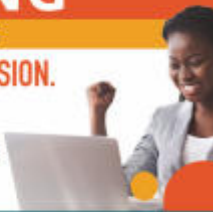
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