



# The Good Shepherd Parish

*The Good Shepherd Parish is a Catholic community rooted in the Gospel where all are invited to encounter Christ, grow in holiness, and proclaim His Good News to the world.*

3092 Innes Road, Ottawa, Ontario K1W 1C8

Telephone (613) 824-4394

Email: [pastor@thegoodshepherdparish.com](mailto:pastor@thegoodshepherdparish.com)

Website: [www.thegoodshepherdparish.com](http://www.thegoodshepherdparish.com)

## Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Sunday 14 June 2020 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

- † Deceased members of the Pereira family
- † Herb Lalonde requested by Myrna Andrews
- † Joan Khan requested by the family

#### **Tuesday 16 June 2020**

Annie Langill requested by the McCloskey family

#### **Wednesday 17 June 2020**

No intention

#### **Thursday 18 June 2020**

No intention

#### **Friday 19 June 2020**

No intention

#### **Sunday 21 June 2020 – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Intentions of All Fathers on Father's Day requested by the Catholic Women's League

#### **Tuesday 23 June 2020**

No intention

#### **Wednesday 24 June 2020**

- † Lloyd Wong Buckley requested by the family

#### **Thursday 25 June 2020**

No intention

#### **Friday 26 June 2020**

No intention

#### **Sunday 28 June 2020 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

All living and deceased members and Spiritual Advisors of the Catholic Women's League

Mass of Thanksgiving for Blessings Received requested by a Parishioner

- † Paul Paradis requested by Myrna Andrews

#### **Tuesday 30 June 2020**

No intention

#### **Wednesday 01 July 2020**

No intention

#### **Thursday 02 July 2020**

No intention

#### **Friday 03 July 2020**

Intentions for the Children of Helen and Anthony  
Religious Vocations requested by the Spiritual Mothers of Ottawa

#### **Sunday 05 July 2020 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- † Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
- † Peter Kelleher requested by Myrna Andrews

*Dear parishioners of The Good Shepherd Parish,*

*First of all I want to tell you that I have been diagnosed with Shingles and I am now taking strong medication. While I am greatly relieved of this diagnosis, the medication makes me drowsy and I am generally feeling some pain and fatigue. I am following all instructions from my Doctor and will, God willing, be rid of this infection as soon as possible. I ask for your prayers for my healing and am sincerely grateful to you all for being such a caring community of faith – thank you.*

*And secondly, the long-awaited news from the Government of Ontario has arrived, along with the guidelines from the leadership at the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall. The latest memo from the Archbishop and the guidelines that we are to follow are posted on our parish homepage for all to read.*

*Your parish leadership is now preparing a plan in earnest for the re-opening of our church. In the first instance, this will be for a limited number of attendees, at a reduced number of Sunday Masses. The method by which parishioners will register for a Mass is still being determined. Our parish plan will be finalized only once we are certain all movements in our church will meet the directions of the Archdiocese and the Government of Ontario. We will need a number of volunteers to help at each Mass and I encourage everyone to consider if you are able to assist in this important milestone in the life of our parish. If you are able, please respond to the "request for volunteers" that is on page two of this bulletin.*

*Our liturgies will, by necessity, be different than in the past. Great care and attention will be taken to ensure that all aspects of our time in our church will be as safe as possible and that all present will adhere to the protocols that will be in place. The health and well being of all who gather at our church is the highest priority and I ask for your patience and prayers in this regard. At this time, our live-streamed Sunday Mass will continue as scheduled. Please continue to watch the parish website where information will be posted on the homepage and in the bulletin as soon as it is available.*

*While we all long to be present at the Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in our beloved church, we need to be mindful that the COVID-19 pandemic is not over. Thank you all again for your prayers for me, and I ask for your continued patience and prayers as we plan for the day when we can again gather in our church.*

*Yours in Christ,*

*Fr. Virgil*

# We're planning to re-open our church!

At this point, we are considering times and capacities for the building.

## We need volunteers!

We will be setting up teams to assist ministries with such tasks as welcoming, seating and cleaning.

Are you in good health and would like to help your Parish re-open?

**If you are able to help, please send an email to:**

[volunteers.good.shepherd@gmail.com](mailto:volunteers.good.shepherd@gmail.com)

### **God Created Humankind in his Image and Likeness Respect for the other is a must**

*Statement of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops*

*It has been with great distress and sorrow that the world witnessed the tragic events that took place in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on 25 May 2020. The death of Mr. George Floyd at the hands of law enforcement officers is profoundly troubling and entirely unacceptable. The utter disregard for his human rights and dignity has justifiably raised numerous disturbing questions about the ongoing presence of racism and discrimination in our societies, as well as about how peace and good government can both avoid and deter self-destructive and self-defeating violence.*

*The denigration of humankind, the denial of God-given rights and of human responsibilities that flow from them, lack of love for one's neighbour, and the failure to show respect toward others are wholly intolerable; these must always be condemned in the strongest of terms. Racism and discrimination remain an appalling reality for a civilized society. The Bishops and Catholic faithful of Canada join with Pope Francis in lamenting all who have lost their lives and suffered because of exclusion, racism and violence which are antithetical to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As the Holy Father himself stated at the occasion of this tragedy: "We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life."<sup>1</sup>*

*Every human being is created in the image and likeness of God and is precious in His eyes according to the first chapter of Genesis. This truth is for us the bedrock and foundation of all human dignity. To violate it is an offence against God Himself and against the sacredness of life. Our faith teaches us that: "Respect for the human person proceeds by way of respect for the principle that 'everyone should look upon his neighbor (without any exception) as "another self," above all bearing in mind his life and the means necessary for living it with dignity."<sup>2</sup>*

*In communion and solidarity with the Holy Father and the Catholic Bishops of the United States, we invite all Canadians to pray for all those who have lost their lives as a result of the sin of racism, to work for reconciliation and healing, as well as for peace and justice in our land and throughout the world.*

*8 June 2020*

<sup>1</sup> Pope Francis, 3 June 2020 General Audience - <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-06/pope-francis-usa-george-floyd-protests-no-racism-violence.html>.

<sup>2</sup> Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 1931, citing the Second Vatican Council's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, Gaudium et Spes, 27.1.



## News from the Knights of Columbus Council 9005 Good Shepherd Parish

Bishop Lori is the supreme chaplain of the Knights of Columbus and in a magazine called Columbus which is the official magazine of the Knights the bishop asks the question: Why the covid? Why does God allow such a pandemic to scourge the earth? This is the question that Job asks? Why suffering? Why do innocent people have to suffer? The bishop answers the question through reason and the eyes of Faith. Job did likewise. God gives us a partial answer to the problem of suffering. It consists in a change of mind and attitude to Him. We should try and see God in the eye of the storm and to remember that He controls the roaring of the seas and the howling of the seas. Job did this and was restored. On a more personal note if Jesus is Lord surely He must have everything under control.

*Please pray for those who have  
requested our prayers:*

*Fr. Virgil*

*Deacon Dan Careau*

*Doreen Dumont*

*Bruce Hodgins*

*Jean-Ella Lemire*



*Joe MacDonell*

*Michael Nortey*

*Rosi Saunders*

*Jean Scharf*