



# 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.*

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## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 06 March – Third Sunday of Lent

5:00 pm † Gordon Willick requested by the family  
† Michael McCrann requested by Bernard and Cecilia McCrann

#### Sunday 07 March – Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Intentions for healing of Angela O'Carroll requested by Sean and Anna May O'Carroll  
† Thomas Whelan requested by John Butt and Maureen Whelan  
11:15 am No Intention

#### Tuesday 09 March

9:00 am Intentions of Fernando Caparroz and Diane Nittolo requested by Michael and Fabiana Nobel

#### Wednesday 10 March | No intention

#### Thursday 11 March | No intention

#### Friday 12 March

9:00 am Intention of Fady Abdelour requested by a Parishioner  
† Souls in Purgatory requested by a Parishioner  
Intentions of Josephine Laquian requested by the Magmanlac and Sy families  
9:30-10:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Reconciliation available at this time also)

#### Saturday 13 March – Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00 pm † Ken and Frances Kennedy requested by the family  
† Gene and Vivian Lusignan requested by Dr. G.M. Lusignan  
† Helene Seguin requested by Suzanne Richmond

#### Sunday 14 March – Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 am No intention  
11:15 am For those who are suffering with the Coronavirus requested by a Parishioner

#### Tuesday 16 March

9:00 am Intentions of all the people who are alone at this time requested by a Parishioner

#### Wednesday 17 March | No intention

#### Thursday 18 March | No intention

#### Friday 19 March

9:00 am Intention of Madeleine Lee requested by Ernie and Marian Sy  
9:30-10:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Reconciliation available at this time also)

#### Saturday 20 March – Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:00 pm Intentions of Gloria Martinez, Diego, and Fernando and Andrea Caparroz requested by Michael and Fabiano Nobel

#### Sunday 21 March – Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Intentions of Brianna Cox, Diego and Delilah Caparroz requested by Michael and Fabiana Nobel  
11:15 am No intention

#### Tuesday 23 March

9:00 am † Marie and Antoine Abdelnour requested by Fadia Abdelnour

#### Wednesday 24 March | No intention

#### Thursday 25 March | No intention

#### Friday 26 March

9:00 am † Souls in Purgatory  
9:30-10:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Reconciliation available at this time also)

#### Saturday 27 March – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:00 pm Intentions of Wilma Aquilizan requested by the Magmanlac family

#### Sunday 28 March – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 am No Intention  
11:15 am † Antonio Perreira requested by Odilia and Paul Garcia

#### Update from the Finance Council –

*The Finance Council continues to meet during the pandemic to review the parish's financial position and discuss issues related to the operation of the church, rectory and property.*

*At our January meeting, we confirmed the final results for 2020, which showed that the parish finished the year with a surplus of \$7,727. Even with the \$25,000 received from Enbridge last year, total revenues were roughly \$55,000 lower than in 2019. Operating expenses were also significantly reduced, down \$50,000 compared to 2019. The parish mortgage was reduced by \$81,876, leaving a balance of \$344,803 at the end of the year.*

*The parish is required to present a balanced budget to the Diocese at the beginning of each year. This is particularly difficult to do for 2021 given all the uncertainty with respect to COVID-19. To prepare the budget, we have assumed that many of our variable expenses – maintenance, utilities, etc. – which were reduced in 2020, will increase, but to a level that is roughly halfway between 2019 and 2020 levels. To pay for these expenses, we have forecast revenues that are higher than what was collected in 2020, but lower than what was originally forecast for the year. We do not expect to benefit from Enbridge renting the parking lot again this year.*

*The lockdown and closure of the church in January and the first half of February did not help us start the new year in a strong fiscal position.*

*As mentioned in our last report, the carpets in the rectory have been replaced with hardwood flooring. The carpets were the original ones installed when the church was built in 1998 and were never of the highest quality. The cost of this project was roughly \$17,000. Please use the Building and Maintenance second collection envelopes, dated February 14, 2021, to direct funds for this expense.*

*As always, we rely on your continued generous support to keep the church in operation. Please remember that you can make donations at the parish or online from the parish website.*

*Faithfully yours,*

*Sean Keenan  
Chair, Good Shepherd Finance Council*

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Will be held every Friday following the Friday weekday Mass, from 9:30-10:30am.**

**Fr. Virgil will be available at this time for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Available one-half hour before every Mass;  
other times by appointment.**

**Please call Fr. Virgil at 613-824-4394, ext 2.**

# WEEKDAY MASSES ARE EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY AT 9:00 AM

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Current schedule\*\*: Tuesday and Friday at 9:00 am

**\*\* NEW INFORMATION \*\*** For those wishing to attend either weekday Mass, please note, while there is no requirement to register in advance for the Mass, **everyone must register on arrival.** The front door will be opened at 8:30 am and you will be asked to provide your name and telephone number to Bonnie who will enter this information on our registration form. This form will be held for **60 days** should it be needed for contact tracing; forms will be shredded **after 60 days**.

**\*\*** Please read the ***“Welcome Back to The Good Shepherd Church”*** document, on our home page, prior to coming to Church.

**You are all requested to please follow our parish COVID-19 protocols:**

1. take your temperature at home to confirm you are well enough to attend Mass
2. **\*\*wear a mask that securely covers the nose, mouth and chin;** no gloves when receiving Holy Communion;
3. **\*\*REMINDER: NO SINGING PERMITTED**
4. enter Church by the Main/Front door
5. on arrival, use the touchless hand sanitizer on the wall
6. **\*\*REMINDER: Washrooms are to be used only in urgent cases; if you have used the washroom, please ensure all washroom spaces are wiped down\*\***
7. provide your name and telephone number to Bonnie at the registration table
8. take a seat in the Main Worship Space, ensuring social distancing between you and others who are not in your group (**at least three (3) seat separation between groups**)
9. **\*\*REMINDER: please depart the Church immediately following conclusion of Mass,** ensuring social distancing is maintained at all times
10. depart Church by the side door (down cloakroom hallway)

**\*\*Due to COVID-19 requirements to clean between Masses we are unable to hold more weekday Masses.**

When attending Mass in church, if you have hearing challenges, please tune into 100.7 FM on your radio to pray along.

## ALL WEEKEND SUNDAY MASSES

**\*\*\*** Please read the ***“Welcome Back to The Good Shepherd Church”*** document located on our home page **prior** to registering for Sunday Mass.

**ONLINE REGISTRATION** (via EventBrite) for all weekend Sunday Masses opens on Sunday afternoon and closes at **NOON on FRIDAY**.

**COVID-19 protocols to follow when attending Mass in our church:**

1. everyone who enters our church must wear a mask that securely **covers the nose, mouth and chin;**
2. after confirming temperature and registration, ushers will seat all attendees, according to social distancing policy.
3. the cantor is the only person singing at Mass; the assembly is to please remain in silent spiritual union with the hymns.
4. all may respond to the spoken prayers throughout the Mass.
5. there is no passing of the collection basket; please place your envelope or offering in the box (at the Baptismal Font) as you exit the worship space after Mass ends;
6. please wait for the ushers to guide the assembly, row by row, **SINGLE FILE**, for the distribution of Holy Communion; no gloves are to be worn when receiving Holy Communion.
7. Please wait for the ushers to guide the row-by-row exit, immediately after Mass ends, out the side door (adjacent to the cloakroom), ensuring social distancing is maintained.

### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen. *Saint Alphonsus Liguori*

### MASS ON YOUTUBE

Our parish Sunday Mass will continue to be on The Good Shepherd Parish YouTube channel each Sunday.

Select the link on our parish homepage:

<https://www.thegoodshepherdparish.com/>

Please share this information with your fellow parishioners, family and friends who are unable, for health reasons or church space limitations, to join us in the church.

Please share all information in this bulletin with your fellow parishioners, particularly those who do not have access to the internet.

➤ In accordance with the ON Provincial Health Orders, our church is currently subject to “orange/restrict” COVID protocols.



### NATIONAL PASTORAL INITIATIVE FOR LIFE AND THE FAMILY

Loving God, draw us close to you in this Lenten season. May we witness the power of the cross and proclaim the conviction that Christ is close to us even in dark or difficult days. Together as a community of faith, we trust that you will draw us close to you and into a daily experience of the resurrection. May our sacrifices and gifts during this season of Lent make us constantly aware of your presence with us. Amen.

(07 March 2021)

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH 2021

EVANGELIZATION: *Sacrament of reconciliation ~*



*Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.*

### Please consider if you can help out...

- To manage the weekend Masses, we have a number of COVID protocols in place that include: welcoming, seating, and wiping down church spaces. The time commitment is approximately 20-45 minutes before Mass (welcoming and seating); and 20 minutes after Mass (wiping down).
- Are you in good health and would like to help in this important ministry, ensuring the ongoing safety of in-person Masses at our church?

**If you are able to help, for one Mass per month (or more if you can), please send an email to:**

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

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

<i>Deacon Dan Careau</i>	<i>Doreen Dumont</i>
<i>Bruce Hodgins</i>	<i>Inge Kobner</i>
<i>Jean-Ella Lemire</i>	<i>Joe MacDonell</i>
<i>Gloria Marshall</i>	<i>Michael Nortey</i>
<i>Rosi Saunders</i>	<i>Jean Scharf</i>



## The Way of the Cross

at The Good Shepherd Church

recorded and posted on our parish YouTube channel

<https://youtu.be/JfCM6OtbO6k>

*The Stations of the Cross in our Church are woodcarvings created by Fr. Herman Falke, scj. They are the version recommended by the Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship who wrote that the traditional Stations be revised to emphasize that the sufferings and resurrection of Christ are one redemptive mystery.*

*Liturgy written by the Rev. Corbin Eddy (adapted 2017, used with permission)*



## Good Shepherd Parish Conference of the SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

**Donations to SSVP:** The Conference of SSVP here at our parish are very thankful for all the help and donations last year. Your continued help and support will enable us to carry on with many good works in our community. The SSVP wooden box is now located by the entry of the hallway to receive your contributions. Heartfelt gratitude for your consideration and continued generosity to help the poor.

**THEME FOR THIS YEAR:** *Stretch forth your hand to the poor*

**The Good Shepherd Conference** continues to provide outreach to those in need within our community and to other regions where help is needed. We have been carrying out visits and delivering food vouchers to numerous people. The larger donation bin (located in the church parking lot) is open, so any gently used goods that you may have are always needed and appreciated.

**We meet via Zoom every second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm.**

If you are interested in joining our team or wish to make a donation directly to the parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference, please contact Sharon Rideout, President, St. Vincent de Paul Conference at The Good Shepherd Parish via email at [drideouts@rogers.com](mailto:drideouts@rogers.com).

### Your Sunday envelopes are ready for pickup...

- Your 2021 Sunday envelopes are ready to be picked up and are on tables in the Church Cloak Room
- For those contributing via Pre-Authorized Contribution (PAC), there is a box of Special Collection envelopes as well.
- **Please call Bonnie at the parish office** to arrange best (safest) way for you to pick up your envelopes (613-824-4394; ext 1)

# Thank You!



### How to support your parish during the pandemic ...

Please see information on our parish homepage for the various ways to support your parish. You may also call and leave a message for Bonnie at the parish office (613-824-4394; ext 1). Bonnie will call you back to process a recurring or one-time donation for you.

*Thank you very much for your kind and generous support.*

### Collection of 27/28 February 2021

Envelopes .....	\$1262.00
Loose .....	\$85.00
PAC.....	\$2830.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b><u>\$4177.00</u></b>



**Thank you!**



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

On February 28<sup>th</sup>, Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight of our Order retired after a period of over twenty years of servant leadership at the helm of the Order. His main accomplishments include the Saint John Paul II National Shrine, the Ultrasound Programme, building the domestic church, and a campaign in support of persecuted Christians. He has also written a book entitled "These Liberties We Hold Sacred". In it the question posed is: "Can a person be a good Catholic and a good citizen?" Over the last one hundred and fifty years the Knights have proven one can and have shown how by example.

Our four core values of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism serve the common good. Carl Anderson promoted a campaign calling on people of good will to engage in more civil discourse. In Gaudium et Spes, Catholics are encouraged to engage in politics and many have. He also urged his fellow Knights to engage in Novenas for National Unity. He supported and wrote about the principled non-violent example of Martin Luther King, Jr. and he promoted Christian Charity as a source of civic unity. In his 2013 Annual Report he wrote "we must not be silent in speaking up for our rights". Finally, in July 2004, the Knights successfully defended a legal challenge to the phrase "under God" in the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance. Furthermore, in many other ways the Knights prove that they are and can be good Catholics and good citizens as our retiring Supreme Knight has shown in his book.

On the home front, Council 9005 wishes to congratulate Br. Art Nero on reaching his 98<sup>th</sup> birthday. The Council would love to throw a party to celebrate this occasion but cannot due to the COVID pandemic. Art has been a Knight since 1986. So let us pray and hope that in two more years a hundred Knights will light one hundred candles in honour of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. May the blessing of Michael McGivney be upon you Art.

Finally let pray for our retiring Supreme Knight. Once a Knight always a Knight and he will continue to contribute in many ways to the Council in which he is a member. Blessed Michael McGivney pray for him.

James P. Tierney, Faith Director KofC



<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent/>

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents *Journey through Lent* with the Most Rev Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines. Join us as we reflect on the Scriptures for the Sundays of Lent 2021.