Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself.
1 John 2
Sacramental Life

Weekend Masses
Saturday Evening  5:00 PM
Sunday  7:00 AM,  8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon & 5 PM

Holy Day Masses
Evening before Holy Day 5:00 PM
Holy Day  9:00 AM, 12:00 Noon & 8:00 PM

Weekday Masses
Monday - Friday  9:00 AM
Saturday Morning  9:00 AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Tuesday from 7:30 - 8:30 PM

Baptisms
Baptisms are celebrated on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month at 2:00 PM by reservation only. Please contact the parish office at least 2 months prior to desired date to make arrangements for this sacrament.

Marriages
Please contact the parish office nine months to a year in advance of your wedding.

Anointing of the Sick
Anyone who is seriously ill, elderly, or facing an operation should be anointed with the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Contact the parish office.

Communion for the Homebound
Anyone who cannot attend Mass due to illness or age may receive Communion at home. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Rite of Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM, or by appointment.

Interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your Sacraments?
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults are brought into the Catholic Church. If you have never been baptized, confirmed, or received First Holy Communion, or if you are a member of another Christian Church and wish to become a member of the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office.

Our Lady of Fatima Home Visitation
Every Saturday. Call Vicki:868-0954
Saturday
April 14th
5:00 pm Mildred & Paul Cornacchioli

Sunday
April 15th
7:00 am People of Good Shepherd Parish
8:30 am Maria Conza
10:00 am Mass Guild Members
12 Noon Vincent Della Valle
5:00 pm Robert Long

Monday
April 16th
9:00 am Donald Ligouri

Tuesday
April 17th
9:00 am Noranne Hill (Happy Birthday)

Wednesday
April 18th
9:00 am Michael Petruzzi

Thursday
April 19th
9:00 am Brittany Oskey

Friday
April 20th
9:00 am Adolfo Manalo

Saturday
April 21st
9:00 am Thumar Larkin
5:00 pm Ann Tidona

Sunday
April 22nd
7:00 am For the People
8:30 am Theresa Orlowski
10:00am Mass Guild Members
12 Noon Michael Aversa
5:00 pm James Visconti

Offerings

Gifts of Treasure

Easter Sunday 2018: $35,911.00
Sunday of Easter: $18,8446.00

Easter Sunday 2017: $39,927.00
Sunday of Easter: $10,504.00

Gifts of Bread & Wine

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week:

In Loving Memory of:
Philomena Molfetto

Donated by:
Judith & Robert Boudreau

Mass Guild Members

Gloria D’Amico
Michael Frustaci
Robert J. Jacoutot
Patricia Kaminski
Rick Luneburg
John Shlonsky
Vinnie Zaniewski
The Dream Realized

In the winter of 2014 with the assistance of the Pastoral Council, the parish initiated a survey of the worshipping community at Good Shepherd. The question posed to them was simply this: what are your hopes and dreams for the future of Good Shepherd Parish. We called it “Dream Sunday and received over 1,200 written responses. This served as a guide for myself as a new pastor in terms of formulating what our goals would be over the next 5 years. Often such hopes and dreams sound good on paper but are never realized. But in this case many of the stated hopes and dreams were realized. On the opposite page you will find a listing of the original parish goals and below what has been accomplished thus far.

1. An extensive renovation of the worship space was undertaken and completed based on the results of Dream Sunday. It included a crucifix in the sanctuary, votive candles, statuary, new carpeting and an overall refurbishing of the worship space. In addition the tabernacle was moved to the renovated Daily Mass Chapel to promote greater devotion.

2. Parish Outreach provided on-going assistance to needy families and the youth ministry conducted various projects to assist the poor including the Midnight Run, Bibles for our soldiers, free prom gowns, and visits to Sachem Adult Home.

3. “Welcoming All” became one of the essential parts of our parish vision statement, Greeter Ministry was established, welcome cards placed in the pews, Welcome Committee formed and a system of on-going contact with new members. The website was redesigned and expanded.

4. It is difficult to determine if we have achieved greater Mass attendance. However, we have created a special youth focused Mass on a monthly basis (MSG Night) which involves a youth choir and more contemporary church music.

5. For a period of 3 years we added an adult formation person to the staff. For financial reasons that was no longer sustainable, but we have added an additional part-time staff member to the Faith Formation Office.

6. The long-range planning for capital improvements came to fruition with our capital campaign reaching a goal of $1,540,000 in pledges. Major improvements were made in the cooling and heating systems, the church roofs, and various other areas of the facility. Further work is anticipated this spring with boiler replacement.

7. Regarding the remaining items on the list, we have attempted to limit the number of First Communion Masses, expand the styles of music at Mass, and be more visible to the local community.

None of these goals has been totally fulfilled; the need for improvement is always there. But great strides have been made thanks to the leadership skills of so many parishioners, the commitment of parish staff, and the generosity of hundreds of parish families.
Parish Goals

Based on Results of Dream Sunday

In Order of Priority

1. Enhance the worship space and create a more devotional environment by means of a large crucifix behind the altar, electronic votive candles, and statuary of some kind.

2. Promote parish outreach and serving the poor by expanding awareness of outreach as a full-service ministry, encouraging greater involvement of youth, and assisting neighboring parishes in need.

3. Promote a welcoming atmosphere in the parish by establishing a Welcome Committee, creating an orientation process for new members, and improving the parish website.

4. Increase church attendance at Sunday Morning Mass by way of greater family participation and greater involvement of youth at Sunday Evening Mass.

5. Strengthen Faith Formation for children and adults by hiring additional staff member with special emphasis on parent education.

6. Maintain fiscal soundness by encouraging greater use of envelopes, careful budgeting, and planning for long-range capital improvements.

7. Review First Communion Masses which occur at regularly scheduled weekend Masses.

8. Promote various social events during the year for all parishioners.

9. Offer more varied styles of music at Mass by recruiting local talent and using a wider range of instruments.

10. Maintain presence to local community by membership in Chamber of Commerce and participation in civic events.
## Readings and Saints of the Week

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## Called to be Church

### Ordinary People Connecting Life & Faith

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018

**John 10: 11-18**

“I am the good shepherd.”

1. Have you allowed the people in your life to come to know you, as Jesus knows his sheep? What gets in the way?

2. Reflect on a life situation in which God may have been trying to get a message through to you.

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## OUR PARISH VISION STATEMENT

Welcoming All...Awakening Faith.. Serving Others...

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## OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the disciples of Jesus Christ who Worship at Good Shepherd, accept the privilege and responsibility of supporting one another in love and service, of giving witness to the Good News of salvation, thus enabling others to experience the loving presence of Our Risen Lord..
Faith Formation

Congratulations to all the Children who have joined us at the Table of the Lord

Jamie Allen
Sophia Biondo-Hoffman
Tianna Boerner
Lucia Broccoleri
Caelyn Burfeind
Frankie Citera
Ava Cotter
Emily Creighton
Eliana DeAlmeida
Sophia DeLuca
Olivia DiOrio
Alexi Dutka
Matthew Ferraioli
Domenic Gatto
Rylee Geary
Cassidy Goodman
Bianna Gref
Isabella Guiliano
Caleb Isaksson
Valerie Keller
Shane Kilkenny
Aidan Langan
Gianna Linders
Faith Locastro
Mikayla Longo
Alexandra Lospenuso
Gavin Lundy
Luca Marchitto
Keira Methven
Liam McCarthy
Emma McCormack
Karina McDonald
Leigha Messina
Daniella Morena
Gianna Pagano
Sophia Panico
Rosalie Pineiro
Mallory Pizzo
Ryan Rutigliano
Michael Ryan
Juliana Schneider
Genevieve Spadafora
Kayla Stoebe
Kaylee Tagliamonte
Antonia Torquato
Christain Velez
Kaitlyn Vesloski
Allison Walsh
Danielle White
Gianna Yzaquirre
Congratulations to those who were Baptized, received into Full Communion and completed the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Catechumens are: Kristilyn Becker and Lauren Tannenbaum. They were baptized.

Robert Froeder was Received into Full Communion and Crystal Kelleher completed the Sacraments of Initiation.
Parish Social Ministry

Our office is reaching out to you or anyone you know in our area that is in need of assistance for food, temporary financial help, counseling, advice or referrals or is sick, home bound, lonely and hurting. If in need of our services, please call our office at 585-4544. All information taken is treated privately and confidentially except where disclosure is made at your request or with your permission.

- **Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang** - During the month of May, the Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang will be meeting on May 5th and May 19th. **We begin at 8:30 am.**
  Our mission is to serve those in need and to provide an opportunity to do good for those who choose to serve. We need the following items- jars of jelly or jam, loaves of white or wheat bread (**bring it with you**), paper plates, latex-free gloves, **sandwich size** foldover and **sandwich size** Ziploc bags.
  **We need the following items for our wash-up kits**- new or gently used towels, sample size soap, shampoo and lotion. Please bring these items with you or drop them off at church. Label them “For the PB&J Gang.” **Please note that ALL volunteers must wear some type of head covering; a baseball cap is fine.**
  We look forward to having you help us to help those in need.

- **Senior Group** - We had a great outing this past Thursday and look forward to more that are in the planning stage. If you would like to stop by and see what we are all about or if you would like to join, we meet on Tuesday mornings after the 9:00 mass.

- **Food Pantry** - We are in need of the following items: laundry detergent, dish liquid, toilet paper, paper towels, canned chicken. Thank you for your generosity.

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**HUGS from God**

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Happy Spring! Start something new for the new season. It's the perfect time to get out the yarn and come to the Hugs From God meeting this Wednesday, April 18th, at 7:30 p.m. We meet downstairs at the church in room 1.

We knit and crochet prayer shawls and baby blankets to give to others who need a "hug from God." All you need is the desire to help and we'll teach you how!
Shade in the shapes with a.

Thinking they saw a ghost, they were afraid, and said, "Peace be with you." They were startled when He stood among them and said, "While His followers were talking, Jesus appeared to the disciples."

You are witnesses of these things; forgiveness will be preached in His name. The Messiah will rise on the 3rd day and He told them, "This is what is written:

Children's Page
Youth Ministry

A HUGE thank you to all of our Sandwich makers for our Midnight Run: Spadafora Family, Barresi Family, Pavek Family, Susan Greene, Ferrante Family, DeSantis Family, Kyle, Rudnicki Family, Michele Maier, Freda Petrosini, Robert, Sarah Ann Mauro & Ryan Becker. We would like to give special thanks to the Froeder Family for purchasing the meat & cheese and slicing it for us - all of your assistance in pre-prepping the supplies for the sandwiches was a big help!

Ignite: MSM (Grades 6-8) AND Burn Bright: HSM (Grades 9-12) and their families are invited to join us for our next MSG Night on April 29th. We can’t wait to share the night with you!
Parish Events

WELCOMING ALL

Our first Sunday Sundae ice cream social was held on April 8th to welcome our new parishioners into the Good Shepherd Parish Family. The exchange of conversation left all with a true feeling of trying that a rich faith based community was had to offer.

Welcome to:

Romano Family - Capasso Family
Figueroa Family - Selmer Family
Toal Family - Guzman Family
Martinez Family - Samodolski Family
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Keller Family - Delima Family
Hogan Family - Pierre Family
Cenir Family - Esteban Family

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MONDAY, THE SEVENTH OF MAY, AT SEVEN O'CLOCK
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Come as you are or feel free to dress up and wear your fanciest hat!

Please fill out response card and leave in the box in the Narthex
food, fellowship and fun are free
We Pray...Celebrate...Remember...

Names will be placed on the sick list for a period of 3 months. Once removed from the sick list, their names are placed in our Prayer Book and they will continue to be prayed for.

Pray for Our Military

Sgt Christopher DiSanto, USAF
Pvt. Dylan Gianlanella, US Army
Major Thomas J. Burke, USMC
Capt Christine M. Cahill, US Army
POAM3, Mark Novellano, US Navy
Daniel Schroeder, US Army
Michael Bizzoco, US Marines
James O’Brien, USAF
Billy O’Brien, US Navy
Michael F. Bizzoco, US Navy
Frederick W. Luebke, US Navy
Sgt. Rory Allen, US Army
Capt Brian Kevin Walsh, US Army
Pvt. 1st Class Joseph Cara - Army
Petty Officer David Eckert, USCG
Samantha Marie DiBenedetto - Army
USAF Airmen 1st Class - Sean Mullins
James A Lee, Gunney Sgt, USMC, USS America
SPC. Jeffrey Nilssen, US Army

We Remember

May the good Lord bless all the faithful departed. May their souls rest in peace.

Lydia Bove
John Martin Peters

We Welcome

We welcome to our faith community those Children to be Baptized April 2018

Nicholas Leahy
Ryann Kelly Carter-Morano
Jose Angel Rivera Jr.
Marianne Helen Becker
Benjamin Charles Fitzgerald
Isabella Mary Ridente
Vanessa Nicole Caruso
Jake William Lestrange
Addison Rae Paige Proses
Easter Vigil 2018

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