“I am the good shepherd.”
John 10

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 22nd, 2018
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Parish Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9:15am - 7:00pm
Saturday 9:15am - 5:00pm
Sunday 9:15am - 2:00pm

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
Making the Vision a Reality

For several months the Pastoral Council has been developing ways to keep our vision statement in focus and more importantly promote ways to implement that vision: welcoming all, awakening faith, serving others. One way that can be achieved is to identify specific steps that have been taken to fulfill that vision and present them in the bulletin on a periodic basis. Not just the council but every parish ministry and for that matter every member of the parish is called upon to realize this vision in concrete ways. Listed below are several current initiatives which further that objective.

WELCOMING ALL – The Parish Welcome Committee has been meeting for several months and most recently hosted a “Welcome Sunday” for new parish families. There were 16 families who responded to the invitation and treated to an ice cream social. Every family newly registered is contacted by phone and personally welcomed. They also receive regular e-mails about parish events. Plans are underway to offer a welcome evening and provide a comprehensive view of parish life at Good Shepherd

AWAKENING FAITH – Several weeks ago an eight-session Bible Study began with over 90 parishioners attending. The videos presented by Jeff Cavins are informative and inspiring. This year we also introduced a revised Confirmation Preparation Program for 7th graders entitled “Called to Mercy” which is essentially an on-line program with periodic meetings at the church. It is designed to engage young people in the digital age.

SERVING OTHERS – Recently the Parish Youth Ministry sponsored a “Midnight Run” to assist the homeless in New York City. Many parishioners were involved in providing clothing items, food items and toiletries. Another Midnight Run is planned for August. Several of our teens are also planning to assist at an Indian Reservation over the summer. We are also serving the elderly now that a team of Eucharistic Ministers conducts a Communion Service every Sunday morning at the Bristol Assisted Living Facility in Farmingville.

These are just some of the ways that fulfill our vision statement. There are certainly many other activities and events that incarnate this vision. The good work that has been done is the result of the generosity and dedication of parish staff and parish leaders. Our hope is that further ways will be found in the months and years ahead to make that vision a reality.
Mass Intentions

Saturday  April 21st
5:00 pm  Ann Tidona

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

Monday  April 23rd
9:00 am  Kelly Ann McMahon

Tuesday  April 24th
9:00 am  Vinnie Zaniewski

Wednesday  April 25th
9:00 am  Keith Hertik

Thursday  April 26th
9:00 am  Joe Blandino

Friday  April 27th
9:00 am  All organ donors

Saturday  April 28th
9:00 am  Frank DiSclafani
5:00 pm  Peter, Mary McGrath

Sunday  April 29th
7:00 am  For the People
8:30 am  Henry Groskinsky
10:00am  Mass Guild Members
12 Noon  Vincent DeCollibus
5:00 pm  Bautista, Angela & Marguerite Perez

Mass Guild Members

Mass Guild Members  April 22, 2018

Anna May Bruno  Joseph Cipriano
Jerome & Eleanor Colletti
Francis DiCandia  Joseph Frankino
Michael Frustaci  Alberto Torquato
Vinnie Zaniewski

Intentions of: Claudia Basener

Offerings

Gifts of Treasure

Sunday 4/15/18: $12,629.50
Envelopes: 444

Sunday 4/16/17: Easter Sunday

Gifts of Bread & Wine

The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week:

For the Intentions of: Good Shepherd Priests

Donated by: Friends of Good Shepherd
Readings and Saints of the Week

  St. George,
Tuesday, 4/24  Acts 11:19-26  Jn 10:22-30
  St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
Wednesday, 4/25  1 Pt 5:5b-14  Mk 16:15-20
  St. Mark
  St. Pedro de San Jose’ Betancur
Friday, 4/27  Acts 13:26-33  Jn 24:1-6
  St. Louis Mary Grignon de Montfort
Saturday, 4/28  Acts 13:44-52  Jn 14:7-14
  St. Peter Chanel
  St. Catherine of Siena

Called to be Church
Ordinary People Connecting Life & Faith

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2018
John 15: 1-8

"I am the vine, you are the branches."
1. What do you need to prune in your life?
2. Reflect on a life situation in which God may have been trying to get a message through to you.

OUR PARISH
VISION STATEMENT
Welcoming All...Awakening Faith...
Serving Others...

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..

Good News!
April 29, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)

Jesus himself picked the image of the vine to describe the reality of our being united to him and the Father. And this was not lost on early Christians. One of the first images they used to mark their graves was the vine and branches.

An amazing thing about a vine and its branches is that you can't tell the difference between them. Look at a grapevine and try to determine which is the branch and which is the vine or trunk. You can't, since it appears as one seamless reality. Jesus invites us to be so close to him that we appear to be just like him—"other Christs," as our name Christian suggests!

Second, the sap that springs from the vine, runs through the branches, and matures in the fruit is all the same. The life in Jesus and the life in us as Christians are the same. He has given us the same Spirit that animated him, the Holy Spirit.

This is why Jesus can guarantee that, if we remain in him by listening to his word and following his Spirit, we will definitely bear much fruit. His word and Spirit cannot remain sterile in us.

The most important result of being united to Jesus and bearing fruit is that not only will we be united to him in this life, but this friendship will last for all eternity. That's why early Christians put vines on their tombs.

—Fr. Mark Haydn, I.C
GARDEN MINISTRY’S
Mother’s Day Plant Sale
Saturday, MAY 5th
(Noon ‘til 6pm)
Sunday, MAY 6th
(8am ‘til 5pm)
Congratulations to all the Children who have joined us at the Table of the Lord

Casey Alarcon
Shaylee Alarcon
Leah Berry
Ariela Cardona
Matthew Cavaco
Rowyn Chamberlain
Addison D'Agostino
Nicholas Delardi
Isabella Faia
Gianna Fucci
Tyler Gawarecki
Madison Giuffre
Gabriella Ingoglia
Kyle Jancus
Lillian Johnson
Ethan Johnson
Brody Lamb
McKinley Mancino
Marissa Mazzone

Sean McGovern
Morgan McKillop
Gianna Mirando
Vivienne Moresco
Lia Ortiz
Tatianna Ottaviano
Anthony Parasmo
Colin Pfeiffer
Dylan Pfeiffer
Frankie Ragonese
Emma Rodriguez
McKayla Roeder
Marissa Rowett
Chloe Sesack
Benjamin Smollins
Katelyn Toia
Evan Traola
Gabrielle Ulrich
Ryan Wagner
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**
  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.
What will Jesus say there will be?

They too will listen to My voice. I must bring them also.

Jesus said, "I have other sheep that are not
We would like to say THANK YOU to all of the incredible helpers we had sorting donations for the Midnight Run throughout the months of preparation leading up to the Midnight Run! We certainly could not have done it without you. A special shout out goes out to the team of people who came to help us on Tuesday, March 20th for our final donation sort. There was much to be done and not much space to do it in, but you all got to work taking care of every last detail that needed to be covered and there is no doubt that our Midnight Run was as organized as it was all because of your hard work and dedication. We thank you all; Parishioners of all ages, Middle School & High School Ministry members, Confirmation candidates, Sachem Honor Society hopefuls, Parents trying to share a heart for service with your children -

THANK YOU for your sacrifice of time and talent!

**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.

Together we will share Mass with our teen Worship Band, Family Supper, Midnight Run Reflections, Family Service Project & Teen Gathering.

We can’t wait to share this 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 what a rich faith based community was there for all.

Welcome to:
Romano Family - Capasso Family
Figueroa Family - Selmer Family
Toal Family - Guzman Family
Martinez Family - Samodolski Family
Danza Family - Minicozzi Family
Keller Family - Delima Family
Hogan Family - Pierre Family
Cenir Family - Esteban Family

Also a warm thank you to our Welcoming Ministers and
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You are cordially invited to a SPRING TEA
Hosted by GS Women’s Auxiliary
MONDAY, THE SEVENTH OF MAY, AT SEVEN O’CLOCK
Fellowship Hall
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
“Tomb Raider” – This reboot of the original Lara Croft “Tomb Raider” movies, which starred Angelina Jolie and was based on the video game, gives a fresh look into a character who is searching for the truth and ends up finding herself. Yes, this film is action-packed with continuous “on-the-edge-of-your-seat” sequences as we become invested in Lara’s search to find her lost father. Well directed with a script that not only encompasses the vastness of such a blockbuster movie, but at the same time explores the human element of its character. This Lara Croft is not your typical heroine and much of that is due to the performance by Alicia Vikander. Looking forward to the next chapter.

“Paul, Apostle of Christ” – Using scripture as its research source, this film tells the story of the final days of the Apostle Paul. Imprisoned by Nero and sentenced to death, Luke risks his life visiting his friend and mentor so he can write down Paul’s experiences and his teachings. Cruelly battered and abused, Paul struggles with the haunting memories of the man he used to be before he found his faith and has doubts if he will be truly forgiven for his past transgressions of innocent people. Very good writing and well directed by Andrew Hyatt and top-notch cinematography by Gerald Madrazo. With outstanding performances from Jim Caviezel, James Faulkner and the entire supporting cast. “Love is the only way...kind, not envy, not proud.”

“God in Not Dead: A Light into Darkness” – This third installment of the “God’s Not Dead” series centers around Pastor Dan and the St. James Church, which is located on the campus of Hadleigh University. Following recent protesting and controversy, a deadly fire gives the college what it needs to force the church off its grounds, making way for a new student union building. That is the basic story, with several stories and characters that derive from this main story. Although not a perfect film, it deals with powerful themes of loss, forgiveness, love, brotherhood and truth; and the message remains clear. We are called to be a light of hope in the darkness. “Always, God is good; God is good always.”

“A Quiet Place” - Not a big fan of scary –thriller movies, I hesitantly went to see this film because I am a fan of John Krasinski and Emily Blunt. Set a few years into the future, a family survives in total silence to avoid being attacked by human-eating monsters. That’s pretty much it...we don’t know what happened to the world that caused this family to be isolated or where these creatures came from and why they prey on humans. Do we need to know? No, not really. This movie is written and directed so well, that it keeps us in suspense throughout and we become totally invested in these four characters. It really is not about the “monsters”, it’s about love and family. Terrific performances by Krasinski, Blunt and the young actors who portray their children.

“Chappaquiddick” – Based on true accounts that were documented during the investigation of Ted Kennedy’s car that went off the bridge on Chappaquiddick Island killing his passenger, Mary Jo Kopechne. This film does a good job reliving the events that led up to that night and the days of cover-up and lies which followed. Well-written and directed with an ensemble cast, all giving meaningful performances. Many believe that this tragic incident changed the course of political history. However, the painful truth is that a young woman was left for dead. Had the accident been reported right away, and not ten hours later, the fire rescue team could have gotten Mary Jo out of the car within 25 minutes. She could have survived. Yes, Ted was not the favorite son and he knew it; he had a lot of big shoes to fill, walking in the shadows of his brothers. But...he could have done the right thing and he didn’t.

“Sgt. Stubby: An American Hero” – This animated film is based on the true story of a homeless dog who befriends a lonely soldier during World War I and becomes the most decorated dog in American History and the first to be promoted to the rank of Sergeant in the US Army. Wonderful! Must see for all ages.
We Pray...Celebrate...Remember...

We pray...celebrate...remember.

Sgt Christopher DiSanto USAF
Pvt. Dylan Gianlanella, US Army
Major Thomas J. Burke, USMC
Capt Christine M. Cahill, US Army
PO3 Mark Novellano, USN
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, USN
Sgt. Rory Allen, US Army
Capt Brian Kevin Walsh, US Army
Pvt. 1st Class Joseph Cara - Army
Petty Officer David Eckert, USCG
Samantha M DiBenedetto-Army
USAFAirmen 1st Class-Sean Mullins
James A Lee, Gunny Sgt, USMC
USN America
SPC. Jeffrey Nilsen, US Army
HM1 Matthew Belmonte, USN

Pray for the Sick

Michael Allen
Ralph Almene
Evangeline Andersen
Erik Andersen
Dorothy Bauernfeind
Eileen Berard
Michael Bertolino
Frederick Biliter, Jr.
Providence Bonica
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Vincent Caldiero
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Maria Giramata Chassen
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Daniela Conte
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Kristi Danielski
Elaine Marie Deavers-Lampach
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Frank DelMasto
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Linda Johnson
Lindsay Johnson
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Joshua I. Hommedieu
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Bonnie Linado
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Bob Zapa

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.

We Welcome

We welcome to our faith community those Children
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

We Remember

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

Carmelo A. Ficalora
Easter Vigil 2018

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