Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 29th, 2018
Pastoral 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 
ofice 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 par-
ish office.

Our Lady of Fatima Home Visitation  
Every Saturday. Call Vicki:868-0954
First Communions at Good Shepherd- Plus or Minus?

The First Communion Season is coming to a close and some parishioners might be saying to themselves, “Thank God.” Over many years it has been the practice at Good Shepherd to incorporate the reception of Children’s First Communion into our regular weekend Mass schedule. Typically that would take place at the 5:00 P.M. Mass on Saturday, the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday or the 12 Noon Mass on Sunday. Often the excitement, noise level, and crowds leave some of our regular worshippers in a state of dismay. Admittedly, all this activity can be distracting and disrupt the usual flow of the Mass, especially at the start. Others find it moving to be present as our youngsters receive the Eucharist for the very first time and are welcomed to the Lord’s Table.

You may recall that one of the issues listed in our Dream Sunday survey several years ago was in regard to First Communion Masses on the weekend. You could find reasons both for and against our approach to First Communion. As is done in many parishes, Communions could take place on Saturday mornings in the context of a special Mass apart from the weekend schedule. There would be less crowding and the focus would be on the children and their families. In some ways it would be easier for the presider to preach in this context. On the other hand those favoring a Sunday Mass setting would suggest that Sunday is the day we gather for the Eucharist as a community of faith and this is the proper liturgy to welcome those receiving for the first time. Gathering on Saturday morning would send the wrong message, suggesting that First Communion is a separate event apart from the worshipping community.

Suffice it to say, this matter could be debated since both sides have valid points. There is a trade off whichever approach we might follow. Perhaps the most important matter is not on the First Communion Day itself- Saturday morning or Sunday morning- but whether these children are brought to the Lord’s Table on all the following Sundays of their lives. And for us as the regular worshipping community, our common task is to create a spirit of prayer and worship that is engaging and inspiring, such that these young families will have a desire to return to church week after week. If that happened, then we could truly say, “Thank God.”

P.S.
Our Good Shepherd Volunteer Appreciation Night will take place on Friday, May 18. If you or someone you know who volunteers in a parish ministry has inadvertently been missed in the invitation mailing, please inform the parish office.
# Offerings

## Mass Intentions

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## Gifts of Treasure

- **Sunday 4/22/18:** $13,271.50  
  Envelopes: 472
- **Sunday 4/23/17:** $10,459.50  
  Envelopes: 451

## Gifts of Bread & Wine

### The Gifts of Bread & Wine are donated this week:

![Gifts of Bread & Wine](image)

**In Loving Memory of:**  
April Riley  

**Donated by:**  
Riley & Dawson Families

## Catholic Elementary Schools Collection

The second collection next weekend May 5/6 is in support of Catholic Elementary Schools and the Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation. Tomorrow’s Hope provides tuition assistance to families with students who would like to attend a Catholic elementary school, but just need a little help to make that happen.

The money that you give to the second collection will help expand on Catholic school’s great academic performance, and will assure that Catholic schools remain a place where students can learn and live their faith. Thank you!
Readings and Saints of the Week

**Monday, 4/30**
Acts 14:5-18  Jn 14:21-26
St. Pius V, Pope

**Tuesday, 5/1**
Acts 14:19-28 Jn 14:27-31a
St. Joseph the Worker

**Wednesday, 5/2**
Acts 15:1-6  Jn 15:1-8
St. Athanasius

**Thursday, 5/3**
1 Cor 15:1-8  Jn 14:6-14
St. Philip & James

**Friday, 5/4**
Acts 15:22-31  Jn 15:12-17
Blessed Michael Giedroyc

**Saturday, 5/5**
Acts 16:1-10  Jn 15:18-21
St. Hilary of Arles

**Sunday, 5/6**
Jn 15:9-17  Sts. Marian & James

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**Sixth Sunday of Easter**
May 6, 2018
*John 15: 9-17*

"Love one another as I have loved you."

1. When in the last two weeks did you recognize God’s love in your life?
2. What does it mean in your life to love yourself? What things in you hinder you from loving yourself?

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**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.

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**Good News!**
May 6, 2018

Sixth Sunday of Easter (B) Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48;
1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17 or Jn 17:11b-19

There is a painting by Aldo Carpi (1866-1973) showing the Virgin Mary bringing the Baby Jesus to visit the poor. She doesn’t make distinctions. Mary understood that Jesus didn’t come just for the rich and powerful but for everyone.

Peter learns this lesson when speaking to Cornelius and his household. Until this time, the apostles were preaching to the Jewish people, but when Peter speaks to these Romans, the Holy Spirit comes upon them just as he had upon the Jews. They repent and believe. This for Peter was essential, because it showed that Jesus wanted to send his Spirit and teachings to everyone, not just the chosen race. God doesn’t show favoritism.

The same goes for us. It’s natural to want to love our own: our family and those sharing our social status, political party, club, school, or parish. But our love has to spread to all peoples, especially those in the most moral, material, and spiritual need. God is love, and those who love show they come from God.

Another element of love is that it is free, wanting nothing in return. Recently, while sitting at an outdoor café, a woman walked up and gave me a small wrapped gift. “I like to give gifts to complete strangers, just to make their day,” she said. What a beautiful gesture.

We should also note that Cornelius accepted God’s love, was baptized, and began following the Way. He and his family didn’t take that free love of God for granted. They responded to it in joyful obedience. God’s generous love asks for an equally generous response.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC
GARDEN MINISTRY’S

Mother’s Day Plant Sale

Saturday, MAY 5th
(Noon ‘til 6pm)

Sunday, MAY 6th
(8am ‘til 5pm)
Faith Formation

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

Angelina Beaudoin
Jonathan Blatt
Ayleen Escobar
Aiden Klingengerger
Scarlet Klingengerger
Logan Koretz
Aubrey LaSalla
Timothy Mitchell
John Parchen
Madison Parchen
Consorcia Worley

Stony Brook Children's

April 11, 2018

Sr. Ellen Zak, Director of Faith Formation
The Church of the Good Shepherd
1570 Grundy Avenue
Holbrook, NY 11741

Dear Sister Ellen and Children of the Faith Formation Program:

On behalf of the Child Life Staff and the patients for whom we care, we would like to thank you once again for remembering the children and families who contend with illness and hospitalization. Your gift continues to help us to help families with the simple things that make a hospital stay even more difficult than it needs to be. Your deeply generous donation provides food, simple clothing, prescriptions and the many special needs of everyday living that can be financially impossible for families who are struggling.

Illness and hospitalization can be particularly stressful for parents and families. When a young person is hospitalized the Child Life Program helps kids and families to relax, rest and heal. Hospitalized children and their families look forward to the ways in which we can help them feel comfortable and in safe hands. Thanks for all you do.

Sincerely,

Joan Aloers, MPS, CCLS, LCAT
Director of Child Life Services
Stony Brook Children’s Hospital
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(631) 538-2871
Joan.Aloers@stonybrookmedicine.edu
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- **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 - loaves of white or wheat bread (bring it with you), sandwich size foldover and sandwich size Ziploc bags. Our supply of peanut butter and jelly is sufficient at this time. 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 were sorry to hear about the passing of Mary Ann P. and extend our sympathies to her family. Rosemarie V. is still out under the weather and we hope she's back with us soon. Please join us after the 9:00 mass on Tuesday mornings.

- **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.
Youth Ministry

MSG NIGHT
4/29
4:45 MASS
6:00 SUPPER
6:30-8:30 GATHERING

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!
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

“Whenever I go to the chapel, I put myself in the presence of our good Lord, and I say to him, ‘Lord, I am here. Tell me what you would have me to do’. . . And then, I tell God everything that is in my heart. I tell him about my pains and my joys, and then I listen. If you listen, God will also speak to you, for with the good Lord, you have to both speak and listen. God always speaks to you when you approach him plainly and simply.” St. Catherine Labouré

Please join us in prayer as we venerate the Eucharist on Tuesday, May 1st at 7:30 in the Daily Chapel.
Jesus said, “This is to My Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit. It shows that you are My disciples.”

Circle the pictures of the children helping others.

Children’s Worship Bulletin
Ages 3-6
April 29, 2018 • John 15:1-18

The Vine and the Branches

Jesus told His disciples that He is like a vine, and we are like branches of the vine.

Count how many. 7 or 8? 10 or 11?

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Jesus said, "Stay connected to Me. You can do nothing; and you will bear much fruit. Without Me, branches connected to good vines bear much fruit."
We Pray...Celebrate...Remember...

Pray for the Sick

Michael Allen
Ralph Almena
Evangelite Andersen
Erik Andersen
Dorothy Bauerfeind
Dylan Beasley
Eileen Berard
Michael Bertolino
Frederick Biltz, Jr.
Providence Bonica
Thomas Brennan
Buoncola Family
Emma Burke
Jayne Bush
Jennifer Cahill
Vincent Caldiero
Jill Carroccia
Marie Catropa
John Cetin
Maria Gin
Barbara Giparosa
Dorothy Clifford
Madison Coffey
Daniela Conte
Helen Coneyham
Gerry Corrigan
Joseph Crivelli
Sergio & Joseph Daly
Kristin Danielaki
Elaine Marie Deaves-
Lampach
Grace DeGiorno
Jennifer R. DeGiorno
Frank DeMasto
Anita Devera
Eugene Dina
Steven Dowd
Christopher Duggan
Laurie Duggan
Kevin Elder
Diana Erickson
Melissa Esposito

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 Gianfanella, US Army
Major Thomas J. Burke, USMC
Capt Christine M. Cahill, US Army
POAM3, Mark Novellino, US Navy
Daniel Schroeder, US Army
Michael Bizzoco, US Marines

Vincent Dalessandro, E-3, US Navy
AHC, Colleen M. Sweeney, USAF
William F. Sweeney III, US Navy
Vanessa JJon
Pvt. Kevin Arpino, US Army (GSYG)
Pvt. Andrew Wright, Army (GSYG)
Major Patrick Murphy, Army
Pvt. Kevin Long
Capt. Brian Gallagher, US Army
Rocco Yannucci, US Air Force

We Welcome

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

Jake Anthony Biscardi
Jackson Thomas Burchfield
Talia Simone Flores
Oliver Phoenix Lombardo
Addyson Harper Santulli
Connor James Spencer
Brayden Travis Wysocki
Augustine Therese Whaley

We Celebrate

We ask the family of Good Shepherd to pray for the following couple who will receive the Sacrament of Marriage in May & June 2018

Veronica Kapka & Frank Marallo
Larisa Pilosi & Garret Boyd
Alexandra Farrell & Nicholas Moneta
Jeannette Seney & Scott Bremes
Victoria Rafferty & Thomas Mackay

We Remember

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

Abecia Apostol
Doreen Neyland
Anna Marie Suarez
John Martin Peters
Thomas Pezzino
Holy Thursday 2018

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