

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Pastoral Staff

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Church Website

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm
Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm
Saturday 10:00am - 1:00pm
Sunday Summer Hours* varies

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 7:00 PM
Holy Day 9:00 AM, 12:00 Noon & 5:00 PM

Weekday Masses

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament *

First Tuesday from 9:30am - 12:00Noon
(temporarily suspended)

Baptisms

Baptisms are celebrated twice a month on Sundays 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: 4:00 PM - 4:45 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.

Pray the Rosary

Please join us in the Church Monday through Saturday @ 8:30am. We will pray the Rosary aloud asking for the intercession of the Blessed Mother for the health and safety of our families, our parish community, and for peace in our troubled world!

FATHER KEN'S CORNER



Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Parish of the Good Shepherd,

You've probably heard stories about fortunes won and lost in the old wild west of our country. After the discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill and silver strikes in Nevada and Alaska, thousands made their way out west in the hope of discovering a vein of these precious metals and becoming rich. It took strength, perseverance, and more than a little luck and cunning, to start digging out a mine, in keeping that claim or panning for gold in a river where two dozen others were doing the same thing.

Once there was a miner, who like many, sank the entirety of his savings to travel out west. At first he was very dedicated to following his routine; rising with the sun, spending hours in that same hot blazing sun working his claim and every once in a while plucking out a small nugget which continued to spur on his efforts. Yet after a while, the daily work of digging became harder and harder and even with those rare finds of gold, the effort seems less and less rewarding. So the miner asks a question, "Is it all worth it?" He needs to make a choice: to continue in the hopes of finally striking it rich or to hope that he can persuade someone to buy his stake and recoup some of his expenses.

St. John of the Cross was a Spanish Priest, Mystic and Poet, Doctor of the Church, Friend of St. Theresa of Avila and Saint who died in 1591. He used the idea of digging for gold as an analogy for our spiritual lives. Certainly, the gold for which we're searching is a deep and satisfying relationship with Jesus Christ. In that relationship, we become rich beyond anything this world can offer. Indeed St. Paul also reminds us (2Cor.4:7 and known to us in the song "Earthen Vessels") that each of us in our bodies hold a treasure, not made of gold, but the treasure we hold is the glory of God, Jesus the Lord. This treasure, given to us in baptism, in becoming brothers and sisters of Jesus, is indeed buried deep within our fragile bodies.

To combine the thoughts of St. John and St. Paul, in our prayer lives, you and I are those miners who have been given a stake, a spiritual opportunity to 'strike it rich'. But like digging, we can find praying to be hard, difficult and often unrewarding work. We can send our prayers soaring up to God, but like the miner, that rich vein of ore can be very difficult to find. As we sweat laboring in the hot sun of everyday life, we may be tempted to ask whether it is all worth the effort. Indeed, from time to time, we do find those 'spiritual nuggets of gold' called God's grace and solace which can sustain us for a while. Then after a while we may lose heart and want to quit.

The miner from the narrative above, did lose heart and sold out to another. For a time he was satisfied with the sale and even a little embarrassed that he had sold his 'worthless' claim to an unsuspecting buyer. Yet a short time later, he heard that the person who bought his mine had indeed hit a rich vein of ore and had become very wealthy. It's a story that has been told numerous times in real life. How do you think the miner felt when if he just been a little more persistent, he himself would have found the gold?

This scenario can be all too real in our prayer lives as well. You and I can get distracted, we can get discouraged when it seems that God isn't listening to us. Psalm40:1 reminds us, "I waited and waited for the Lord, now at last he has stooped to me and heard my cry". And if the psalm doesn't inspire, check out Mt.7:7 - "Ask and you shall receive; seek and you shall find...knock and the door will open." During the summer we may become busier than usual, yet we know that we need to continue in our prayerful efforts. Just keep digging, just keep trusting, just keep understanding that prayer - our conscious relationship with God may feel difficult - but in the end bestows a richness beyond telling.

Offerings

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 5:00 pm	July 8th Bill, Tommy & Peter Reynolds
Sunday 7:00 am	July 9th Ana Suarez
8:30 am	Diane Carleton
10:00am	Mass Guild
12:00 pm	Marie Weaver
5:00 pm	People of Good Shepherd
Monday 9:00 am	July 10th Dottie Priest
Tuesday 9:00 am	July 11th Joseph Palumbo
Wednesday 9:00 am	July 12th Anthony D'Agostino
Thursday 9:00 am	July 13th Regina Bonello
Friday 9:00 am	July 14th Dottie Priest
Saturday 9:00 am	July 15th Joseph DelBroccolo
5:00 pm	Victoria Catone
Sunday 7:00 am	July 16th People of Good Shepherd
8:30 am	Lily McCarthy
10:00 am	Mass Guild
12:00 pm	William Logan
5:00 pm	Ann Belonzi

Mass Guild Members

July 9, 2023

In Memory of:

*Michael Frustaci
Alexis Lamb
Dottie Priest
William Perkins
August Joseph Falco
Ann Marie Imburgia
Anthony Alexander Granato*

Gifts of Bread & Wine

The Gifts of Bread & Wine



*Please call the Main Office at
631-588-7689 if you would like
your loved one remembered
in this special way.*

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp, which burns near the Tabernacle in the Church, is the reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist.



In Memory of:
Nanette Napolitano

Donated by:
Ginny DiPietro & Gene Colangelo

God Speaks...

Called to be Church Ordinary People Connecting Life & Faith

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
July 16, 2023
Matthew 13:1-23

“But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty and another thirty.”

1. What worries have the potential to choke your growth in Christ? How can you free your life from these “thorns”?
2. What “crop” does Jesus want believers to yield? What can you do to increase your “crop productivity”?

**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..

Important DRVC Information

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use, can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese’s bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page:
<https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

Good News!

July 16, 2023
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Isaiah 55:10-11 / Romans 8:18-23 /
Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Our lives seem to be plagued by an abundance of words, all seeking to influence us. Television ads try to convince us to buy; teachers seek to pass on knowledge; parents cajole, discipline, and beg; society warns against drinking and driving, smoking and drugs; preachers hope to convert and change. They all do so with limited and varying success, and at times seeming failure. Too often there is the presumption that more words will achieve greater results.

In the face of such questionable success, the prophet Isaiah proclaims that God’s word “shall not return to me empty, / but shall do what pleases me, /achieving the end for which I sent it” (Isaiah 55:11). Yet the Gospel also suggests that the seed of God’s word sown in our lives may wither and be choked off and fail to take root, though also promising that what does produce fruit will surpass anything hoped for.

Because war is news and the media is obliged to report on it, it may appear that war is prominent worldwide. Not so. Statistically there is less war today than ever before, less violence, less conflict. We are more likely to die in our beds than at any other time in history. While there is yet much hunger in the world, there is less than at any other time. Nations are more inclined to try to negotiate peace. Great generosity abounds amid natural disasters, and while injustice prevails, we still fight to overcome it. All of it the fruitfulness of God’s word.

Creation is groaning in labor pains, says St. Paul, and we also groan. Yet the groaning attests to the pains of growing fruitfulness. ●

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Parish Events

Readings and Saints of the Week

Monday, 7/10 Gn 28:10-22a Mt 9:18-26

St. Veronica Giuliani

Tuesday, 7/11 Gn 32:23-33 Mt 9:32-38

St. Benedict

Wednesday, 7/12 Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24a

Mt 10: 1-7 *Sts. John Jones & John Wall*

Thursday, 7/13 Gn 44: 18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5

Mt 10: 7-15 *St. Henry*

Friday, 7/14 Gn 46:1-7, 28-30 Mt 10:16-23

St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Saturday, 7/15 Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a

Mt 10:24-33 *St. Bonaventure*

Sunday, 7/16 Is 55:10-11 Rom 8:18-23, Mt13:1-23

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Our Lady of Mount Carmel)



Faith Formation
Registration

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY

Baby Bottle Campaign

1:45 pm

JULY 9th

C/Baptism

MONDAY

7:00 pm

JULY 10th

FH/Paint Night

TUESDAY

9:30 am

7:30 pm

JULY 11th

FH/Senior Citizens

Rm 1/K of C

WEDNESDAY

10 am

7:00 pm

JULY 12th

C/ Memorial Mass

L/Garden Meeting

THURSDAY

10:00 am

JULY 13th

FH/Friendship Ministry

FRIDAY

6:30 pm

7:00 pm

JULY 14th

BSC/Heart to Heart

FH/K of C

SATURDAY

JULY 15th

SUNDAY

1:45 pm

JULY 16th

C/Baptism

FALL REGISTRATION
2023-24
IS NOW OPEN!!

REGISTER AT:
goodshepherdRCchurch.org

NO REGISTRATIONS
WILL BE
ACCEPTED AFTER
SEPTEMBER 1ST!!

Basket Raffle & Craft Fair Mailing

Can You Lend a Hand?

We can use all the help we can get!

The parish mailing for our Craft Fair will be on **Tuesday, July 18 - starting at 6PM**. Any time you can make that night would be greatly appreciated! Come at 7 if you can't make 6:00!

The work involves folding and stuffing envelopes. The more hands that assist, the quicker the work goes, the more nice people we get to meet, and the more fun we have!!!

We really can use your help!!



Confirmation Candidates **WE NEED YOU!!**

Please come with your catechist or parent. Bring your community service paper to be signed that night. All are welcome!

You don't have to call and can just show up. If you have questions, contact Ann Hernandez at 631.275.7587 or email: annhernandez2000@gmail.com SUBJECT: Craft Fair

By the way, the Basket Raffle & Craft Fair is planned for Sept 30 & October 1. Mark your calendar!!! The Committee is now being formed. If you would like to help, please call or email the above.

MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



Saturday, July 22nd @ 2pm



... For the Kingdom of Heaven
Belongs to such as
these. (Matthew 19:14)

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE ISLAND

(Mass will be indoors)

258 Eastport Manor Rd, Manorville, NY

QUO VADIS

WHERE ARE YOU
GOING?

July 29, 2023

St. Anthony's High School
Registration at 9:15 am

For Students currently enrolled in
8th-12th grade (this school year)

Spiritual Talks
Mass
Adoration
Lunch
Sports

For more info/register:
<https://www.campquovadis.com>

QV



Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!

*O*n the weekend of **July 8th & 9th**, Good Shepherd Parish will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit the Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a pregnancy care center that consults with women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know that they provide?

- ✓ Free pregnancy test kits
- ✓ Free sonogram
- ✓ Maternity housing with eligibility requirements referrals
- ✓ Medical care referrals
- ✓ Material aid including car seats, cribs, clothing, diapers, and many other needed baby items
- ✓ Male advocates available to speak with fathers



We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your donation.
(Please make checks payable to the Life Center of L.I.)

**PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTLES ON
AUGUST 5TH AND 6TH**

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother's heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy.

Prayers also spiritually equip our consultants at the Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear with hope of choosing the gift of life for their baby.

*Let us pray for the conversion of a mother's heart to give the
gift of life to her preborn baby!*

**HIS WORDS.
YOUR JOURNEY.
TOGETHER.**



Pope Francis said - "Migrants are to be welcomed, accompanied, supported and integrated. Let us renew our commitment to building the future in accordance with God's plan: a future in which every person may find his or her place and be respected; in which migrants, refugees, displaced persons and the victim of human trafficking may live in peace and with dignity."

Pope Francis has asked us to "work together to build a more inclusive and fraternal future." How do we accomplish this in our community? our country?

If you would like to share your personal response with the parish in a future bulletin, please fill out the section below and drop it in the box in front of the main office. All submissions will remain anonymous. You can also email goodshepherdstaf@aol.com with your response.

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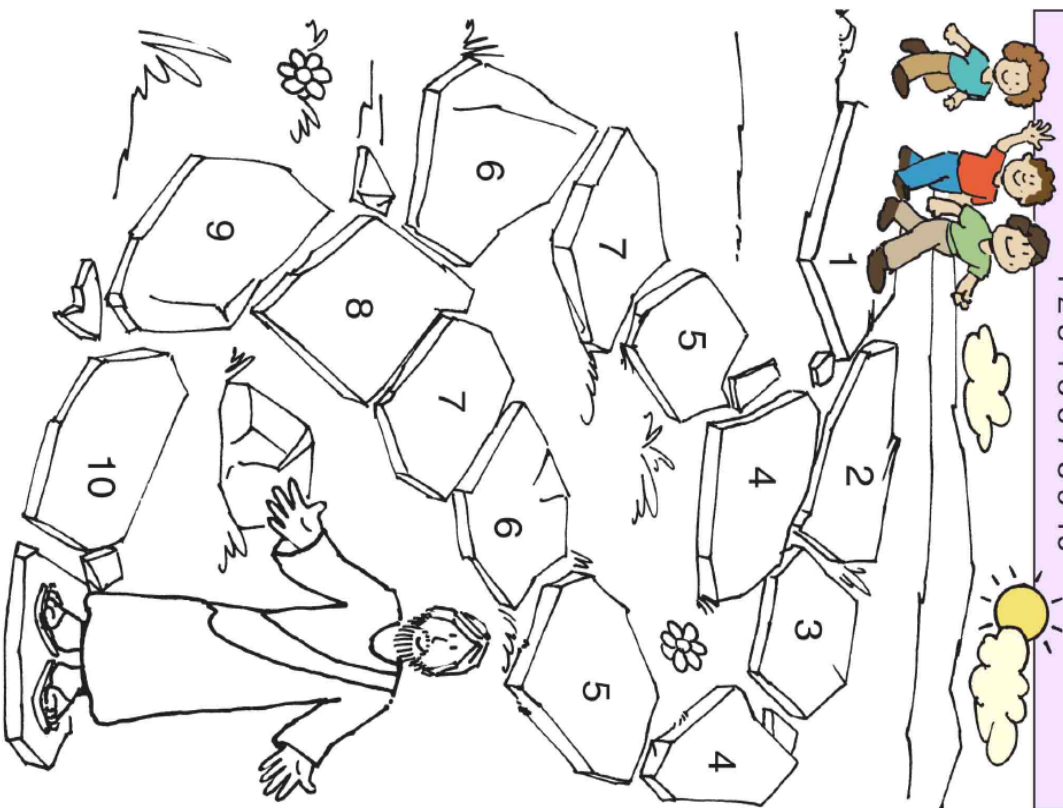
How do we accomplish this in our community? our country?

Children's Page

Jesus said, "Come to Me and I will give you rest."

Help the children get to Jesus.

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Children's Worship
Bulletin™



Ages 3+

July 9, 2023 • Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus Speaks and Prays

Jesus said some people are like
children in a marketplace.

Circle the children in the picture below. 4 or 5?



300 Club Raffle



Tickets Now on Sale!

Tickets will be on sale during office hours and after Masses every other weekend.

Only 300 Tickets will be sold at \$100 each. Prize winners will share 50% of the proceeds and the other 50% will go to the parish.

Family, friends, groups can pool together in purchasing a raffle.

Tickets are limited to 300 sold.

The drawing will at the end of the summer in August.

****25% of the Grand Prize will be deducted for taxes and remitted to the IRS on the winner's behalf.***

PRIZES

Grand Prize: \$10,000*
(66.67% of the Prize Fund)

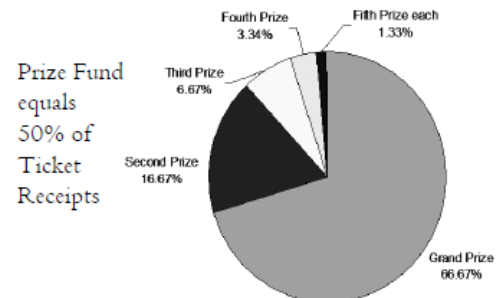
Second Prize: \$2,500
(16.67% of the Prize Fund)

Third Prize: \$1,000
(6.67% of the Prize Fund)

Fourth Prize: \$500
(3.34% of the Prize Fund)

and...

Five Fifth Prizes: \$200
(each is 1.33% of the Prize Fund)



If all 300 tickets are sold the prizes will be listed as above. If less than 300 tickets have been sold by the drawing the prize fund, equal to 50% of the ticket receipts, will be divided in the proportions listed above to yield nine prizes.

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.

Food Pantry

Please call 585-4544 and leave a message if you need assistance.

Senior Group

If you are 55 years of age, or older, come join us on Tuesday mornings after the 9am mass in Fellowship Hall. We are men and women who help support each other and the parish through many social activities.

Friendship Ministry

Friendship Ministry is a group that meets every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until noon in Fellowship Hall. Some of the ways we support our church community is by working together, and making baptismal blankets for the babies that will be christened in our parish. We also make lap blankets for the Veterans and local nursing homes.

We will provide you with supplies for these items, and will teach you if you would like to learn. We also welcome you to work on your own projects. If crocheting or knitting is not your thing, just come and socialize with us; we would love to have the chance to meet you.



Nurse Ministry

Dear Parishioners of the Parish of Good Shepherd,

Recently we have had the good fortune of having a retired RN register as a parishioner. She has reached out and proposed the following as a way she could give back to you. If you think Susan might be able to assist you in the above, please call Parish Social Ministry office at 631-585-4544 with your contact information and we will pass it on to Susan.

Nurse Ministry

Purpose: To provide parishioners with information, assessment, referrals and advocacy in regard to their healthcare needs.

My background: Recently retired RN with 28 years working at St. Francis Hospital/Catholic Health of LI. This included bedside nursing, home care nursing and care management.

What I can provide to the parishioners:

- One home visit (if parishioner allows or requests) to listen to and assess home care needs and concerns.
- Assessment of home of: Patient safety, Need for medical equipment, Medication compliance, MD visit compliance
- Information of: How to obtain medical equipment under insurance, How to obtain home care services if warranted including visiting nurse, physical therapy, home health aide and social worker under Medicare guidelines.
- Education on: Safety precautions, Medication compliance, Nutrition
- Lend an empathetic ear to patient and caregiver concerns.
- Follow up phone call

What I CANNOT do:

Hands on care
Administration of medication



Church of the Good Shepherd Food Pantry has been selected again by the Store Leadership Team at Stop & Shop. As you know, this means that your organization will receive \$1 from every \$2.50 reusable Community Bag sold during the month of July 2023 at:
Stop & Shop
57-01 Sunrise Highway, Holbrook NY

We Pray...Celebrate...Remember...

Pray for the Sick

Baby Lucas Alexander Tyson
Baby Mila Tyson
Baby Charlotte Cordell
Baby Easton Clark
Baby Oliver
Anthony
Brooke
Kathy Alegre & Family
Amanda Algieri
Caroline Antonicelli
Joseph Benevento
"BEVERLY" Scott's mom..
Fr. Richard Bretone
Gene Colangelo
Nicole DiPietro
Jeffrey DelGiorno, Sr.
Gary Feres
Kathy Stephens-Fusaro
Lisa Gaveglia & Family
NYPD, Kenny Gellineau
Tommy Glackin
Geraldine Halderman
Susan Hellstrom
Ibis Hernandez
Anita Heuskin
Bob Hustick
Gene Iantuono
Wayne & Nancy Johnson
Karl Knoth

William Kouba
Mark Kutch
Ann Lodestro
Anthony Maisano
Marilyn Mallon
Thomas Mistretta, Jr.
Luis & Miriam Nadel
Mary Ann Nicholas
David Pacheco
Lorraine Rajkowski
William Reynolds III
Francine Richetti
Claire Roberti
Mary Rosa
Rose
Edward Smith
Thomas Swoboda
Anne Temme
Laurie Tiller
Michael Tiller
Rose Valentino
Agnes Van Winkel
Junior Verrilli
Jaxx Violi
Kathy Young
Margherita Zaharatos

**Please call the Main Office at
631-588-7689 if you would like to place
a loved one on our sick list.**

**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
AM1, 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
Pety Officer David Eckert, USCG
Samantha M DiBenedetto-Army
USAF Airmen 1st Class-Sean Mullins
James A Lee, Gunney Sgnt, USMC,
USS America
SSG Jeffrey Nilssen, US Army
HM1 Matthew Belmonte, US Navy
Carson Nagle - USAF
Samuel Matuszewski, US Coast Guard
Lisette Granada Marines (GSYG)
Brent Mazurkiewicz, USAF
Brian Hunter Army (GSYG)
SN Ronald Martiny
PFC Matthew Judson Pace, USMC

Vincent Dalessandro, E-3, US Navy
A1C, Colleen M. Sweeney, USAF
William F. Sweeney III, US Navy
Vanessa JiJou
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, USAF
Gavin Alexander Samuelsen, USAF
Sergeant Glenn Richards
Capt. Christopher Hackett, US Army
Thomas B. Cetin, US Navy
Specialist Michael F. Gallina
Tommy Killian, USAF
Christen Wolfner, US Navy (GSYG)
Austin DeRosa, 2nd LTD Army
Ronald Marginy, US Navy, Seaman
Eric Schreck, US Coast Guard



We Welcome

**We welcome to our faith
community those Children to be
Baptized....**

July 2023

Arkyn Jack Podrang
Amelia Catherine Siragusa
Roman Albert Villalta
Franklin Chase Condon VI
Savannah Rose Picciano
Nico Christopher Santiago
Bernadette Mary Fitzpatrick

We Celebrate

**We ask the family of Good
Shepherd to pray for the
following couple who will receive the
Sacrament of Marriage in August 2023**



Enrique Benito-Sanchez & Megan McGlynn
Ryan McElhinney & Danielle Barclay
Clyde Galan & Tarah Perez

We Remember

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

Walter Luchart
Heather Sellitti

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