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

Pastoral Staff

Priests and Deacons
Most Reverend Bishop Robert J. Coyle - Pastor
Rev. Rudy Pesongco - Associate Pastor
Rev. Jerry DiSpigno - Associate Pastor
Deacon Thomas O’Connor
Deacon John C. Newhall
Deacon Emeritus Edward Tappin
Rev. Msgr. Thomas Spadaro - Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Msgr. Gerard Ringenback - Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Msgr. Daniel Picciano - Weekend Celebrant

Pastoral Minister of Faith Formation
Sister Ellen Zak, C.S.F.N.

Pastoral Minister for Parish Social Ministry
Deacon John C. Newhall

Parish Youth Minister
Christine Fitzgerald

Parish Business Manager
Annemarie Camporeale

Contact Information

Parish Office
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(631) 588-7603 (fax)

Faith Formation Office
(631) 981-3889

Parish Social Ministry Office
(631) 585-4544

Youth Ministry
(631) 682-9223
Email: gsyg1370@gmail.com

Website
www.goodshepherdRCchurch.org

Email
goodshepherdstaf@aol.com

Parish Office Hours
Monday - Thursday 9:15am - 7:00pm
Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm
Saturday 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am - 2:00pm
A Note from the Pastor

Parish Penance Service

Wednesday, December 18th, from 7:30-9:00 PM in the church.

Come join us to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Confession is a great gift from Our Lord Jesus. He offers us His forgiveness and strengthens us to serve Him and grow in our faith.

I am happy to let you know in addition to the parish priests we have also invited, Msgr. Dan Picciano, Msgr. Jerry Ringenback and Msgr. Peter Pflomm to hear confessions. So there will be 6 priests gathered to offer the gift of Jesus' forgiveness.

Please consider attending on this night or at other times the parish offers the Sacrament of Penance.

God bless you always,

Bishop Coyle

Christmas & New Year’s Schedule

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES
Tuesday, December 24th
4:00pm (Church & Hall)
8:00pm & 10:00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES
Wednesday, December 25th
8:30am, 10:00am & 12Noon
(No 5pm Mass)

NEW YEARS SCHEDULE

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

NEW YEAR’S EVE MASS
Tuesday, December 31st at 5:00pm

NEW YEAR’S DAY MASSES
Wednesday, January 1st
8:30am, 10:00am & 12Noon
(No 5pm Mass)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Wednesday, December 18th
7:30pm - 9:00pm
Saturday, December 21st
9:30am - 10:30am and 3:30pm - 4:30pm
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### Offerings

**Sunday 12/8/19:** $13,090.00  
Envelopes: 439

**Sunday 12/9/18:** $12,095.00  
Envelopes: 459

### Gifts of Treasure

- **Sunday 12/8/19:** $13,090.00  
  - Envelopes: 439

- **Sunday 12/9/18:** $12,095.00  
  - Envelopes: 459

### Bread & Wine

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

- In Memory of:  
  Richard Griffin

- Donated by:  
  Mary Griffin

### Mass Guild Members

**Mass Guild Members**

**December 15, 2019**

- Michael Frustaci
- Alexis Lamb
- Walter Dreschel
- Tom Guest
- James Rowden
- Juanita Mazzi
- Patricia Manarino
- Carol McKenna Wall
- Joe Lupo
- Lido Ghezzi

### E-Giving

Please visit our website and click the link on the bottom of the homepage to sign up for E-Giving.
God Speaks...

Readings and Saints of the Week

Monday, 12/16  Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a Mt 21: 23-27
Blessed Honoratus Kozminski

Tuesday, 12/17  Gn 49: 2, 8-10  Mt 1:1-17
St. Hildegard of Bingen

Wednesday, 12/18  Jer 23:5-8  Mt 1:18-25
Blessed Anthony Grassi

Thursday, 12/19  Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a Lk 1:5-25
Blessed Pope Urban V

Friday, 12/20  Is 7:10-14  Lk 1:26-38
St. Dominic of Silos

Saturday, 12/21  Sg 2:8-14 Lk 1:39-45  St. Peter Canisius

Sunday, 12/22  Is 7:10-14  Rom 1:1-7  Mt 1:18-24
Fourth Sunday of Advent (Blessed Jacopone da Todi)

Called to be Church
Ordinary People Connecting Life & Faith

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2019
Matthew 1:18-24

"'She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.'"
1. Describe a time when you had to struggle to trust God in a difficult situation.
2. When did you change a decision of yours after prayer and reflection?

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!
December 22, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Advent (A)
Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

The Incarnation means that God is one of us. He is made of our flesh and blood; he laughs, sings, and loves people. Though we believe he is God, he is still one of us. We can choose him to be on our team, trusting that he will play to win.

When identifying ourselves, we normally tell others what we do. Societies like the one to which Jesus belonged usually identified themselves by tracing ancestry. As Isaiah tells us today, Jesus belonged to the house of David. Paul says that he was of David “according to the flesh” (Romans 1:3). The Gospel identifies Joseph as a “son of David” (Matthew 1:20).

Since Jesus was considered Joseph’s legal son, he also was a “son of David.” Joseph is told that the child will be called Emmanuel, which means “God is with us” (Matthew 1:23). Thus, Incarnation means God is with us in a unique way in this man who is one of us.

The Incarnation also gives extraordinary dignity to material creation, of which we are all a part and of which he is a part as well, for he is one of us. In other words, Emmanuel (God with us) is a child of earth.

Like Joseph, we cannot fully comprehend what has happened. We can only stand with him in awe as this wondrous mystery unfolds before us. As we await Christmas, we wait for him to appear. When he comes, we will be amazed to see that he is really one of us.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA
Parish Events

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
*Subject to change

SUNDAY
December 15th
10:00 am
N - Christmas sign-up
11:00 am
FH- Baptism gathering
1:45 pm
C - Baptism
3:00 pm
C - Worship Band

SUNDAY
December 16th
10:00 am
FH- Baptism gathering
11:00 am
C - Baptism
1:45 pm
C - Worship Band

MONDAY
December 17th
4:00 pm
L - Rel Ed
4:00 pm
CPC - Rel Ed
3:00 pm
FH - Staff Dinner
7:00 pm
RCIA
7:00 pm
CPC - SCC
7:30 pm
BSC - Adoration

TUESDAY
December 18th
6:00 pm
L - Rel Ed
7:00 pm
L/FH - Hugs
7:30 pm
C - Confession
8:00 pm
Rm 1 - Folk Group

WEDNESDAY
December 19th
10:00 am
FH- Friendship Garden
4:00 pm
L - Rel Ed
5:15 pm
L - Rel Ed
6:00 pm
C - Children's Choir
6:30 pm
FH - MSM
7:00 pm
C - Choir
8:00 pm
FH - K of C

THURSDAY
December 20th
11:00 am
L - OA Mtg
7:00 pm
L - Rel Ed

FRIDAY
December 21st
9:00 am
PL - Hockey Game
9:00 am
L - Rel Ed

SATURDAY
December 22nd
3:00 pm
C - Core 4
6:00 pm
C/FH Decorate for Christmas
6:00 pm
YR - Leaders Christmas Party

Christmas Memorials

We are accepting donations of $25.00 towards our Altar flowers and decorations In Memory of a Loved One. Their names will appear in our bulletin after Christmas. Please leave names at the Parish Office. You may also deposit your Flower envelope that you received in the mail in the collection basket.

HUGS from God

As part of Advent let's use our creative talents to make prayer shawls and baby blankets. Come join the Hugs From God ministry this Wednesday, December 18th, at 7p.m. This month we're meeting in the church library. 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!

Keep Christ in Christmas

K of C “Keep Christ in Christmas” poster program
Theme: True meaning of Christmas
The Good Shepherd Knights of Columbus would like to express congratulations to the “53” youth who participated in the “Keep Christ in Christmas” poster program this year in showing their creativity to exhibit the “true meaning of Christmas”. Recognition also needs to be given to the participants’ parents, catechists, Sister Ellen and Father Rudy. The three (3) winners will receive a congratulations certificate as well as a $50 check from the K of C with the remaining applicants receiving participation certificates for a job well done.
Dear Friends in Christ,

Advent will begin the first weekend of December. This holy season will usher in a new year of Grace. Part of our Advent journey will be an opportunity for the parish to reflect on stewardship, during the first three weekends of Advent.

Stewardship is our unique faith response expressing our love for God and neighbor and the parish. We give of our time, talent and treasure to build up the Church here at the Parish of the Good Shepherd.

I have been at the parish as pastor for almost one and a half years. During this time I have had the joy to witness the dedication, generosity and enthusiasm of the parish members in so many ministries, Mass participation and your generous support.

We will reflect as a parish on the treasure part of stewardship this Advent. Each week we will set aside time at Mass to prayerfully think about this aspect of stewardship.

I thank you for your consideration as we continue to build on the legacy of faith that has gone before us and continues on. In June 2020 the Parish will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Church of the Good Shepherd. This will be a great celebration.

I pray we will continue to grow in faith and service to one another.

God bless you and your family,

Bishop Robert J. Coyle
Pastor

Stewardship Prayer

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

I come to You in Thanksgiving, knowing that all that I am and all that I have are gifts from You. Teach me to be generous as You have been generous with me. I offer to You this day all the facets of my life, whether at home, at work or at school – to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous and to be holy.

Keep me mindful that as Your disciple, I am called through the Holy Spirit, to be an instrument of dramatic missionary growth, radically faithful to participation in the Sunday Mass, deeply devoted to the presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, and courageous in living the truths of our Faith and sharing the “Good News” with the world.

Make us One Family in Mission so that together, we may ignite our Church with the joy of the Gospel.

Amen.
The Church of the Good Shepherd has a beautiful way to commemorate a loved one, a special event, or share a special message. For a donation of $100 a commemorative 4” x 8” brick will be custom engraved and placed at the base of one of the Stations of the Cross.

To order your brick fill out the order form and submit to Parish Office.
Make checks payable to the Church of the Good Shepherd

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Contact:  Station:
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 January, the Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang will be meeting on January 11th and January 25th. We begin at 8:30 am.

Our mission is to serve those in need and provide an opportunity for others to serve. At this time, we need donations of creamy peanut butter, jars of jelly, fold-over sandwich size bags and individually wrapped hard candy. When you come to volunteer, please bring 1 loaf of whole wheat or white bread with you. Please make sure that the bread is not frozen or expired. ALL volunteers must wear some type of head covering; a baseball cap is fine.

The Peanut Butter & Jelly Gang would like to thank the Good Shepherd Knights of Columbus #8607 for their generosity, thoughtfulness and financial support. We appreciate all that you do for our ministry.

**Senior Group**
For those of you who are signed up to attend, our Christmas party is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 17th starting at 12 noon. **We will not hold an earlier meeting that day and will also not be meeting Tuesday, Dec. 24th and Dec. 31st.**

This month we celebrate birthdays for Millie R. 12/5, Joseph W. 12/5, Connie A. 12/7, Elizabeth R. 12/18, Genevieve G. 12/18, Addie T. 12/25, Charlene Z. 12/26, Mary Z. 12/27 and Ed T. 12/29. We hope they had and will have a blessed day.

We wish you all a happy and healthy Christmas season.
Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 7th, 2020.

**Holiday Assistance**
Parish Outreach will have sign-up tables this weekend in the Narthex for food cards and donations. Please take a tag from the giving tree.
47th Annual March for Life  
Friday, January 24, 2020, Washington D.C.

You are invited to join the Our Lady of the Snow Respect Life Ministry as we travel to Washington D.C. by bus to March for Life.

Everyday thousands of babies die by abortion. Come exercise your democratic right of peaceful protest and demonstration alongside parish members throughout our diocese and other dioceses from all over the country. This is a holy pilgrimage, a real sacrifice and a great educational opportunity for students as we lobby in the halls of Congress.

Friday, January 24, 2020 Agenda:

4:45 a.m.   Gather for bus @ Our Lady of the Snow Parking Lot/ Depart 5 a.m. sharp.
5:15 a.m.   Gather for bus @ St. Lawrence the Martyr Parking Lot/ depart 5:15 a.m. sharp.
7:30 a.m.   Breakfast stop
11:15 a.m.  Meet DRVC- at the Southeast corner of 12th Street and Madison Drive
Noon       Rally at 12th St. on the National Mall, in between Madison Drive and Jefferson Drive.
1 p.m.      March will begin on Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets.
2:30 p.m.   Lobby our Congress people and Senators
4 p.m.      Bus departs for home and dinner stop

Bus reservations are $10 per person or $20 per family, (scholarships available). Make your check out to OLS Respect Life Ministry and call now for a reservation: Loren Christie at 631-363-6394 x115. Checks can be mailed to: Our Lady of the Snow Respect Life Ministry, 175 Blue Point Ave., Blue Point, NY 11715, or dropped off at the Rectory Office during business hours.

If you are unable to join us, please pray and fast for an end to abortion and wide-spread respect, celebration and thanksgiving for life from conception through natural death.
Youth Ministry

DECEMBER 2019
IGNITE: MS (GR 6-8)
BURN BRIGHT: HS (GR 8-12)
SHINE YOUR LIGHT: YA (AGES 18-30)
SOUL ON FIRE: WORSHIP BAND (MS, HS & YA)

MSG NIGHT 12/15
4:45 MASS
6:00 SUPPER
6:30-8:30 CHRISTMAS PARTY

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Ignite - 12/19 6:30-8 Christmas Party

Burn Bright - 12/15 4:45-8:30
Mass*Supper*Gathering - Christmas Party (Gr 8-12)

Soul on Fire - Rehearsals: 12/15 3:15-4:45

Shine your Light - Christmas Caroling 12/21 @ 11am
Reminiscence Unit - Sunrise Asst’d Living

Christine Fitzgerald: Cell 631-682-9223
GSYG1370@gmail.com
Jesus said, “This is the one about whom it is written: ‘I will send My messenger ahead of You, who will prepare Your way before You.’”

Connect the dots.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

John the Baptist sent followers to ask Jesus a question.

Help the people get to Jesus by following the numbers in order.
We Pray...Celebrate...Remember...

Pray for the Sick

- Michael Allen
- Eriq Andersen
- John Basile
- Gaetano Bellino
- Eileen Berard
- Johnette Berlingieri
- James T. Bermel
- Jerry Binder
- Josephine Bosco
- Francois Boucher
- Tom Boucher
- Ned Brennan
- Buccola Family
- Dr. Joseph Brody
- Emma Burke
- Regina Caiuzzo
- Vincent Caldiero
- Andrea Caming
- Barbara Cigarroa
- Dorothy Clifford
- Michael Chu
- Madison Coffey
- Daniela Conte
- Nicole Coogan
- Gerry Corrigan
- Joseph Crivelli
- Richard Cucinelli
- Jean D’Antonio
- Joseph Daly
- Jennifer R. DeGirolamo
- Frank DelMastro
- Helen Detko
- Antonio DiLeo
- Laurie Duggan
- Giselle Flaim
- Dennis Flynn
- Marie Giamo
- Bernadette Haligarda
- John Hamilton
- Patrick Healy
- Johnny Henley
- Linda Johnson
- Eve Gonzalez
- Edward Kallbrough
- Bernard Kazlauskas
- Taylor Kenney
- John T. Kiehaas
- Marianne LaBianca
- Salvatore Lettieri
- Michael Leone
- Connie Loiaco
- Kristin Lupoli-Roberts
- Nicholas Lynch
- David Lysohir
- Kathy Macchio
- Victor Maggio
- Linda Maddalena
- John McDonnell
- Joseph Myers
- Valerie Miller
- Victor Miller II
- John Mitchell
- John Medica
- Christine Mohr
- Don Nerl
- Joan Papadatos
- Gavin & Grayson Pierre
- Joe Pavic
- William Perkins
- Thomas Peterson
- Thomas & Margaret Polis
- John Priest
- Lorraine Rajkovsk
- William Reynolds III
- Joseph Rivera
- Denise Roberts
- Alfred Rosfa
- Frank Rodgers
- Lenny Rollo
- Patricia Rose
- Lucretia Rupple
- Philip Ruth
- Olga Salati
- George Sante
- Dina Santiago
- Irene Sauer
- Stacy Schiefer
- Diana Shapiro
- Ian Schrock
- Lynne Sillman
- Regina Simon
- Fr. Tom Spadaro
- Thomas Srobo
- Elizabeth Taylor
- Julie Ann Taylor
- Terry Tarentola
- Michael Tiller
- Aviana Toney
- Michael Travis
- Anthony Trips
- Buddy Ullman
- Gloria Vale
- Katy Van Helmond
- Brenda Wagner
- Betty Ann Wallace
- Richard Webster
- James Werner
- Tyler Wisot
- Greg Witek
- Nicholas Zanghi

Pray for the Military

Sgt Christopher DiSanto USAF
Pvt. Dylan Gianlanella, US Army
Major Thomas J. Burke, USMC
Capt Christine M. Cahir, 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
Petty Officer David Eckert, USCG
Samantha DiBenedetto-Army
USAF Airmen I Class-Sean Mullins
James A. Lee, Gunny Sgt, USMC, USS America
SPC. Jeffrey Nilsen, US Army
HM1 Matthew Belmonte, US Navy
Carson Nagle - USAF
Samuel Matuszewski, US Coast Guard
Lisette Granada Marines (GSYG)
Bryan Hunter Army GSYG

We Welcome

We welcome to our faith community those Children to be Baptized....
December 2019
Charlotte Josephine Ancona
Mackenzie Rose Reece
Jayson Datilus
January 2020
Aleksandra Katherine Strollo
Anthony Paul Strollo IV
Giabella Rose Demasi
Dominic John Ramsumair
Logan Thomas Squicciarini
Thea Grace Jachowdik
Sydney Catherine Ruger

We Celebrate

We ask the family of Good Shepherd to pray for the following couple who will receive the Sacrament of Marriage in December 2019

Alfred Maldonado & Keila Lopez

We Remember

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

Jerry R. Serra
Assunta Capone
Children’s Page

Jesus answered, “Tell John what you hear and see...

They asked...

Fill in the missing letters.

I = A
△ = E
△ = I
△ = O
△ = U

Tell John what you hear and see...

Match the pictures.

The blind receive sight, the lame walk, the sick are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor are given good news.”
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