

*Mass Intentions
for the Week*



SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

5:00 PM Antonio Antonucci

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

9:00 AM Ken Gold
Joseph "Bus" Loughlin
10:30 AM Bishop Dermott Malloy
12:00 PM Dermott Kavanaugh

DAILY MASS AUGUST 20-24 at 9:00 AM

MONDAY Intention of Louanne Altonjy
TUESDAY Intention of Raymond Gutowski
WEDNESDAY Mary Greco
Judee Guth
THURSDAY Int. of Fr. Tim's 25th Anniversary
of Priestly Ordination
FRIDAY Robert Shaud

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

5:00 PM William & Alice Van Der Meulen

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

9:00 AM James Proske
10:30 AM Matthew Lesnieski
Int. of Fran and Tom Diffley
12:00 PM Elizabeth Ambrose

A 7:00 AM Sunday Mass has been added to the schedule through September 2nd.

BAPTISM

The community of Good Shepherd joyfully welcomes our newly baptized Christian:

† **Dennis Grayson Weaver**
son of **Ann and Dennis**

Rejoice, for now you are truly a child of God.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

meets 2nd Saturday monthly (All Saints Room)

Sept. 8 / Oct. 13 / Nov. 10 • 10:00 AM

This class will provide the necessary information to help parents better prepare for the celebration of the **Sacrament of Baptism** of their child. Please sign-up to attend a **Baptism preparation class** in advance of setting the date of a Baptism.

For more information, contact the parish office.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

A rich woman invites many guests to her home to eat and drink. She appeals to those who lack understanding to forsake foolishness and "advance in the way of understanding."

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

Paul advises the Ephesians to abandon foolish ways and evil deeds. All Christians should concentrate on doing God's will before all other things. He reminds them to always give thanks to God in the name of Jesus Christ.

Gospel: John 6:51-58

Jesus had just told the crowd that anyone who ate of the bread he planned to give would live forever, and that this bread was his flesh, which he would give up for the sake of the world. The people do not understand, but Jesus reassures them that his flesh is real food and that "those who feed on this bread shall live forever."



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

† A Journey in Faith †

Baptism • Eucharist • Confirmation



TUESDAYS • 7:00 - 8:30 PM (Chapel)

begins SEPTEMBER 18th

If you or someone you know is interested in the **RCIA program**, please contact the office **973-786-6631** to learn more.

PRIESTS MASS SCHEDULE - AUGUST

	<u>5:00 PM</u>	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>10:30 AM</u>	<u>12:00 PM</u>
18-19	Fr. Michal	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michal
25-26	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michael	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michal

COLLECTION BREAKDOWN LAST WEEK:

Envelopes:	\$5,471.50	197 families/\$27.78 average
Not using Envelopes:	<u>1,326.00</u>	
Regular Collection:	\$6,797.50	2nd Collection: \$1,371.00 (Parish Maintenance)

Our thanks to all of our parishioners who respond each week to the needs of our parish and who make their weekly offering a part of their budget. Your contributions, both monetary and in service, are important to our parish. *May God Bless you for your generosity.*

Thank you to Sr. Monique Hart, guest speaker last weekend for speaking at all Masses about the Missions.

Mission Cooperation Plan Collection: \$4,335.00

Thank you for your generous donations in support of the great works of the missionaries.

*Welcome back Fr. Michal!
We hope you had a wonderful visit
with family and friends in Poland.
We missed you while you were away
and are happy to have you back.*

• SAVE THE DATES •

Good Shepherd Parish's 40th Anniversary

Parish Celebration/Picnic
SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

40th Anniversary Mass

Bishop Serratelli will be the Main Celebrant
SATURDAY, JUNE 22 • 5:00 PM Mass

Starting next weekend, as a "countdown"
to commemorate 40 years,
a foundation fact about Good Shepherd's
history will be presented each week.

10 Things God Wants You To Remember:

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| 1. I will give you rest. | 6. I am for you. |
| 2. I will strengthen you. | 7. I will not fail you. |
| 3. I will answer you. | 8. I will provide for you. |
| 4. I believe in you. | 9. I will be with you. |
| 5. I will bless you. | 10. I LOVE YOU. |

*God is
with you,
no matter
what
life brings.*
Joshua 1:9

MOVING?

If you are *moving*, please take a moment to contact the office and let us know so that we may update our records.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome! Please *register* as soon as possible, on our website or by calling the parish office. Welcome Envelopes are available in the atrium.

Extending Our Very Best Wishes

At the end of the month, Mrs. Alice Giliberti will be retiring from her position as parish secretary.

For over a decade, Alice served the parish with professionalism, courtesy and a warm smile. She worked for three different pastors during her tenure, faithfully serving each. We are grateful to have had her as our secretary, co-worker and friend.

Alice will be missed in the office, but fortunately she will still be a part of the Good Shepherd parish family.

Please join us

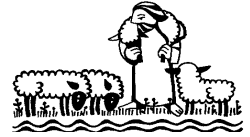
*Sunday, August 26th after the 9:00 AM Mass
for hospitality in the parish hall
in honor of Alice.*

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Please mark these important dates on your Calendar for
SEPTEMBER

- 1-2 **Blessing of backpacks at all Masses**
- 1-2 **Pantry Food Collection** - requesting: pasta, coffee, tuna
- 3 Labor Day - Parish Offices CLOSED
9:00 AM Mass will be celebrated
- 7 **Adoration** for 1 hour following 9:00 AM Mass
- 8 **Baptism Preparation Class** 10:00 AM *(All Saints Room)*
- 9 **9th grade Confirmation classes** *begin* 10:30 AM Mass
- 11 **Bible Study** *resumes* Tuesdays 1:00-2:30 PM *(All Saints)*
"The Acts of the Apostles: Section 2"
- 11 **Confirmation Parent Meeting** - 7:30-8:30 PM
MANDATORY Meeting
- 13 **Adult Choir** practice *begins* Thursdays 7:30-9:00 PM *(Church)*
- 15 **Lectors' Meeting** 9:00 AM *(St. Joseph's Room)*
Eucharistic Ministers' Meeting 11:00 AM *(St. Joseph's)*
- 16 **FAITH FORMATION (Religious Education)**
Classes for grades 1-8 *begin as scheduled*
Catechetical Sunday-blessing of Catechists-all Masses
- 18 **RCIA Program** *begins* Tuesdays 7:00-8:30 PM *(Chapel)*
- 20 **Book Club** *begins* 9:30 AM *(All Saints Room)*
- 20 **Children's Choir** practice *begins* Thursdays 6:15-7:15 PM
- 20 **Bell Choir** practice *begins* Thursdays 6:30-7:30 PM *(Hall)*
- 24 **"Encounter with God, In Daily Living,
Through the Sunday Scriptures"**
Scripture Reflection Mondays 9:30-11:00 AM *(Chapel)*
- 24 **Bereavement Ministry:** "Understanding Your Grief"
Mondays 7:30-9:30 PM *(Chapel)*
- 30 **Pray the Rosary** with the Knights of Columbus
following 9:00 AM Mass
- 30 **FAITH FORMATION**
"Open House" - after all Masses *(Parish Hall)*

FAITH FORMATION NOTES



Faith Formation Registration

If your child is entering the first grade in September or you are new to the parish with school aged children please visit the website www.goodshepherdrc.org for information regarding FAITH FORMATION.

Consecutive and consistent religious education as well as weekly Mass attendance is an important component of a strong faith foundation.

Please contact phyllis@goodshepherdrc.org (grades 1-7) or allison@goodshepherdrc.org (Confirmation and 8th grade) or the office at 973-786-6415.

New Program for First Communion and First Reconciliation Preparation

In September we will introduce a new program developed by Dynamic Catholic called *Blessed* to prepare our children for reception of the sacraments.

We are very excited with the format and elements of the program. Each session begin and end with prayer, incorporate Bible stories, teachable moments and “journaling” with Jesus. The goal with parental partnership is to create an unforgettable experience and a beautiful encounter with God. Please visit www.dynamiccatholic.com if interested for more information.



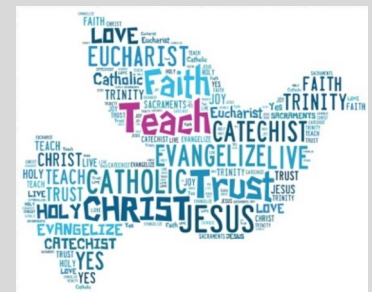
“Catechesis is a proclamation of the Word and is always centered on that word.”

~ Pope Francis

Keeping Pope Francis' words in mind, the Faith Formation program for our elementary and middle school aged children is anchored in the Sunday Gospel and the Mass. Using the PFLAUM *Gospel Weeklies* series, which is based on the three year Lectionary cycle and including current events, the children focus on the relevance of the Gospel to their lives. Catechism handbooks, also incorporated into the lessons, provide essential doctrinal teachings.

IMPORTANT FAITH FORMATION DATES

- ◇ 9/1 Blessing of backpacks at all Masses
- ◇ 9/9 9th grade Confirmation classes begin
- ◇ 9/11 Mandatory Confirmation Parent Meeting—7:30pm
- ◇ 9/16 Faith Formation classes begin for grades 1-8
- ◇ 9/16 Catechetical Sunday—blessing of Catechists at all Masses
- ◇ 9/30 Faith Formation—“Open House” in the parish hall after all Masses



Registered Faith Formation families will receive more information via email



Gather as a family and talk about what you know about Mary and her being a model of faith. Recall that we celebrated a holy day, the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on Wednesday, **August 15th**. On this day we remember that God took Mary to heaven, body and soul. Read together and share the Gospel, Luke 1:39-56. (Loyola Press)