Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, JUNE 3
5:00 PM  Deborah T. McGowan
          James Silvestri

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 - PENTECOST SUNDAY
9:00 AM   Kathleen Ann Addison
          James Bestider
10:30 AM  Dolores Kaphan
          Regina Szwarc
12:00 PM  Mary Ann Ricci

DAILY MASS
JUNE 5 - 9 at 9:00 AM
MONDAY    Intention of Marisa Vasquez
          Barbara Albanese
TUESDAY   Luella Murphy
          Thomas Bock
WEDNESDAY Vincent Barberio
            Thomas Bock
THURSDAY  Dan Ahesn
          Intention of the Breitz Family
FRIDAY    Nicholas Pirro

SATURDAY, JUNE 10
5:00 PM  Frances DiBenedetto
          Joseph Wroblewski

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
9:00 AM   Anthony Giliberti
10:30 AM  Thomas F. Difflrey
          Matthew Lesnieski
12:00 PM  Vincent and Stella Santucci
          Intention of Pat and Carl Beaulieu
          50th Anniversary

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED
Please remember in your prayers, the soul of
† Anthony Giliberti
husband of Alice, our parish secretary
who died this past week.
May his soul eternally Rest in Peace.

BAPTISM
The community of Good Shepherd joyfully
welcomes our newly baptized Christian:
† Parker Ray Whitehouse
son of Brianna and Steven
Rejoice, for now you are truly a child of God.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11
On the feast of Pentecost, the disciples were gathered together when
suddenly tongues of fire rested upon them, and they were filled with
the Holy Spirit. They began to speak in many tongues; those who
heard them were filled with amazement.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
Paul tells the Corinthians that each possesses different gifts and
performs different ministries, but each works for the common good
in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: John 20:19-23
Jesus appears to the apostles after his
resurrection and bestows upon them
the power to forgive sins.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION
“Encounter with God, In Daily Living, Through the Sunday Scriptures”

1) Do you pray each day for the power of the Holy Spirit?
How can this power help you in your choices, decisions and
daily activities?

2) St. Paul says everyone receives gifts from the Holy Spirit.
What gifts do you believe have been given to you by the Holy
Spirit? How can you develop those gifts to serve others better?

3) The disciples were afraid, behind locked doors at the begin-
ning of this reading. When have you experienced fear or doubt
about your faith? Jesus appeared to the disciples and brought
joy into their hearts. Who has touched your life in a special way
to calm your fears or bring joy to you? How can you spread
God’s joy to others?

4) Which image of the Holy Spirit in the readings fits most
closely with my experience of the spirit?

PRIESTS MASS SCHEDULE - JUNE

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COLLECTION BREAKDOWN LAST WEEK:

- Envelopes: $6,539.00 (209 families/$31.29 average)
- Not using Envelopes: 1,983.00
- Regular Collection: $8,522.00
- Second Collection: $2,060.00 (Parish Maintenance)

Online Giving - May: $4,462.00

May - # of users: 27
reported on a “total monthly” basis at the end of each month
# of users includes 8 new users from “We are Living Stones” program

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. May God Bless you for your continued generosity.
TWO SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS!

Pentecost is celebrated fifty days after Easter and marks the occasion of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ. Pentecost is described by Christians as the “Birthday of the Church”.

We have so very much to be grateful for today as we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. It is not only the birthday of the universal Church, it is also the birthday of our parish.

Good Shepherd was founded on the Feast of Pentecost in 1979. As a community of faith we are now 38 years young!! As we reflect upon the vibrant life and growth of our faith community, our spirits are filled with gratitude and joy. Each person and each family is an important part of Good Shepherd. We pray that as individuals and as a community we will strive always to follow in the path of Jesus, our Good Shepherd as we grow in God's Spirit.

Today we celebrate something very special....Happy Feast Day....and

† Happy Birthday Good Shepherd Parish †

In last week’s bulletin, there was a heartfelt message from Sharon Matuza announcing that she would be “stepping away” from her Pastoral Associate position here at Good Shepherd to have more shared time and presence with her own family.

This same message was also emailed to everyone on our email list.

If you were away from Good Shepherd last week or did not receive the email, the entire message is posted on our website.

After 33 years of ministry in local Churches and to the Diocese, 20 of those years spent as a Pastoral Associate at Good Shepherd we are grateful to Sharon for having said “yes” to Fr. Steiger’s offer.

While we will miss her daily presence, as a faith community, we offer her our prayers and invite you to join Sharon at the 10:30 AM Mass on June 11th in joy and thanksgiving and in fellowship at a hospitality to follow.

FATHER’S DAY ENVELOPES
are available in the atrium for celebrating all the special “Fathers” in our lives - Living and Deceased.

Envelopes will be placed on the altar in remembrance, during the month of June.

RESUMING IN THE FALL

The following programs have concluded and will resume once again in the fall:

Scripture Reflection: “Encounter with God, In Daily Living, Through the Sunday Scriptures”

Extended Hours for First Friday Adoration
For the summer months, First Friday Adoration will be for 1 hour following the 9:00 AM Mass

Book Club

Hospitality Sunday

PLEASE ALSO NOTE: The main parish office will close at 12:00 PM on Fridays through Labor Day. The Religious Education and Cemetery office hours remain the same all year.

There is no change to the Mass Schedule this year for the Summer months.

The nicest place to be is in someone’s thoughts. The safest place to be is in someone’s prayers. The very best place to be is in the hands of God.
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In our efforts to enrich our worship space, we are looking to purchase some lovely Altar Linen Sets for celebrating:

- Funeral Masses
- Advent/Christmas (two-sided)
- Lent/Easter (two-sided)
- four Altar Cloths for various liturgical seasons

If you are interested in a memorial gift and wish to inquire as to the costs of the linens, please call the office. All memorial names and donors will be acknowledged and entered in bronze in the “Book of Memory” on the wall to the right of the entry doors in the atrium.

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**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**

The Feast of Pentecost marks the great gift of the Holy Spirit to those God the Father calls to be his own.

† Perhaps you can think of someone who longs to have a closer relationship with our Heavenly Father, Jesus his Son and the Catholic Church.

† Perhaps you are meant to plant the seeds of hope as you speak of our Father’s loving care and his everlasting promises fulfilled in the sending of his Son and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

† Perhaps you are the one who can offer an invitation to take that first step toward full initiation into the Catholic Church through Good Shepherd's RCIA process for those who are not baptized, are baptized in other faiths or are adult Catholics who were not confirmed.

*S"ometimes all it takes is a little encouragement for someone to place a call to Fr. Tim for further details.*

**MEMORIAL GIFTS**

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**A STUDY ON CHURCH HISTORY**

"Catholicism: The Pivotal Players"
by Bishop Robert Barron

**Thursday • 12:00 - 1:30 PM (St. Joseph’s Room)**

June 8 - Michelangelo - The Artist Part I
8th Century dispute over the use of icons/spiritual depictions; life/times; The Pieta.

June 15 - Michelangelo - The Artist Part II
The Sistine Chapel; Why is Michelangelo a Pivotal Player?

This Course will then resume in the Fall with Volume II of the Pivotal Players in Catholicism.

**MARTHA ‡ MARY ‡ LAZARUS**
Bereavement Ministry

“Understanding Your Grief:
Ten Essential Touchstones for
Finding Hope and Healing Your Heart”

Saturday’s • 12:00 - 1:15 PM (Chapel)

On Your Own: READ • JOURNAL
Then: MEET • DISCUSS

June 10 ‡Recognize You are not Crazy:
Understand the Six Needs of Mourning

June 24 ‡Nurture Yourself: Reach out for Help

July 8 ‡Seek Reconciliation, Not Resolution:
Appreciate Your Transformation

**PARISHIONERS WHO EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN ONLINE GIVING THROUGH THE “WE ARE LIVING STONES” COMMITMENT PROGRAM WILL BE CONTACTED SHORTLY VIA EMAIL.**

Thank you for your patience.

10% of our parishioners now use ONLINE GIVING

**“We are Living Stones”**

This is the last weekend to return your Commitment Card to support our initiatives through your 1st collection Sunday offering.

Thank you to all parishioners who have already committed their gifts to the “We are Living Stones” program.

Once all cards have been received, a summary report will be published.

Thank you again for your generosity!

**Annual Diocesan FOOD COLLECTION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

• weekend of JUNE 17-18 •

Our parish has been asked to collect:

PANCAKE MIX (just add water) & SYRUP
(low sugar syrup is also acceptable)

Cash donations will also be accepted.

Boxes will be placed in the atrium for collecting your donations.

Thank you for your support of this worthy cause!
WILL YOU HELP US?
It’s a simple request . . .
Please mark the $ amount on your envelopes each week; it is of great help to our “counters” and assists with our accounting. Thank you!

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 PARISHIONERS
Please register as soon as possible, on our website or by calling the parish office 973-786-6631.
Welcome Envelopes are also available in the atrium.

EMAIL ADDRESS
If you are not receiving email notifications or monthly News and Notes, then we don’t have a current email address listed for you. Go to our website: www.goodshepherdrc.org to enter or update your email.

NEW INITIATIVES PROPOSED
As part of “We are Living Stones”, the development of three initiatives have been proposed for:

† Youth Ministry
† Programs for Families & Couples
† Programs for Seniors

If you would like to become involved in any of the initiatives referenced in the “We are Living Stones” brochure, please let Fr. Tim know of your interest.

MASS CARDS
For the deceased or for the intention of the living, Mass Cards can be obtained at the parish office during normal office hours.

OFFERTORY PARTICIPATION
If you would like to participate in the Offertory of the Mass and bring the gifts to the altar, please arrive early and notify one of our ushers.

FUNERAL NOTICES
In order to provide members of our parish community the opportunity to celebrate the lives of those whom the Lord has called home, funeral masses are listed on our website under the Cemetery tab on our home page.

SICK OR HOMEBOUND HOSPITAL VISITATION
If you or a loved one are sick or homebound and for any reason are not able to attend Mass, or are in the Hospital, please call the parish office, 973-786-6631 and we will arrange for the Eucharist to be brought to you. We would love to serve you.

AUTOMATIC DOOR
A handicap-accessible “automatic door system” operates at the south entrance to the Church to care for our parishioners in need of easier accessible entry. Park in the parking lot near the Grotto to gain automatic access via the far left door.

The bulletin cover lists all parish staff positions, as well as contact numbers and email addresses.

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY AT MASS
If there is an emergency situation during Mass, we ask for your immediate prayers and your direct assistance if you are a member of the medical profession. We can all be of help by notifying the staff or ushers, letting them place the necessary call to the Police and Ambulance Squad assuring the quickest response time. Thank you in advance for your assistance and cooperation.

SUMMERTIME: VACATIONS and MASS
If you are traveling to new territory this summer and don’t know the Mass schedule there, it is easy to find out. Go to www.masstimes.org to find the Mass schedule for places around the country and the world. While traveling, visiting another Church can be quite enlightening and enriching while keeping you connected to your faith, through your worship.