Good Shepherd Parish Prayer

The Lord says: I alone know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you, not harm you, plans to bring about the future you hope for. Then you will call to me. You will come and pray to me, and I will answer you. You will seek me with all your heart. And you will find me.

Good Shepherd Parish Prayer

Pues así habla Yavé: Porque yo sé muy bien lo que haré por ustedes; Les quiero dar paz y no desgracia y, cuando me supliquen, yo les escucharé. Y cuando me busquen me encontrarán, Pues me llama- ron con todo su corazón.

Cycles of Faith - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word “commitment” mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus’ teachings on obeying the commandments, murder, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.

We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in the end. Is real happiness achievable this side of the grave? Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain and even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else’s decision. But we can’t be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life’s journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking.
Mass Schedule
Weekend
Saturday 5:15 pm, December - May ...................... St. James
Saturday 5:15 pm, June - November ...................... St. Joseph
Sunday 8:30 am .................................................. St. James
Sunday 10:45 am ............................................. St. Joseph
Sunday 7:00 pm, Misa en español  ......................... St. Joseph

Weekday
Tuesday 8:00 am .................................................. St. Joseph
Wednesday 8:30 am ............................................. St. James
Thursday 8:00 am .............................................. St. Joseph
Friday 8:30 am ................................................... St. James

Holyday of Obligation
Vigil 5:15 pm ...................................................... St. Joseph
Holyday 8:30 am and 5:15 pm .......................... St. James

Sacraments
Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturdays
9:15 am (Jan, March, May, July, Sept, Nov) at St. Joseph
9:15 am (Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec) at St. James

Sacrament of Matrimony
Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance. Bride, groom or parent must be a registered member for one year prior to contacting the pastor for a wedding.

Sacrament of Baptism
Baptisms in English are held on the last Sunday of the month according to the following schedule: Feb. April, June, Aug., Oct. and Dec. at St. James and Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept. and Nov. at St. Joseph. First time parents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class, which is held on the second Sunday of the month at St. Joseph church at 9:30 am in the parish library. Please contact Sr. Zita at 268-9934 to schedule a baptism or register for the Baptismal Preparation class.

Anointing of the Sick
Celebrated individually by appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA
Adults wishing to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation in the Catholic Church. Call Sr. Zita at 268-9934 for more information.

Prayer Network
If you have a request for this group to pray for, please call Betty Schuchardt at 256-4122, Carol Marshall at 256-6680, Rita Keleny at 222-3194 or Carole Kinney at 271-1132.

Website
www.thegoodshepherdmadison.org

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Following Mass on Tuesday at St. Joseph with Rosary cited until 9:30 am. Also, the 1st Thursday of each month at 7 pm at St. Joseph

Parish Staff
Staff schedules vary, please call ahead for office visits.
Pastor
Msgr. Thomas Baxter 268-9930 or Thomas.Baxter@madisondiocese.org
Parochial Vicar - Office at St. Joseph Site
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Hidden Treasures eBay Store
https://www.ebay.com/str/gshiddentreasures

Bulletin Deadline
Thursday by 12 noon, ten days prior to publication.

Room Reservations
All meetings and events must be reserved through the parish office. Be sure to check with the Parish Office before scheduling your meeting or event to avoid conflicts with meeting space.

Vigil Light Candles
Just a reminder, Vigil Light Candles at both church sites are $5.00 each to help defray the cost to the parish. Please come to the office or speak to parish staff or sacristan if you wish to purchase a vigil candle. We ask that you be careful when lighting the candles. Thank you for your cooperation.
Mass Intentions & Liturgies

Monday, February 17
7:00 pm  Misa en español  SJO  SJA
Tuesday, February 18
8:00 am  Alexander Wolf  SJO
Wednesday, February 19
8:30 am  Marge Schiro - Anniversary SJA
7:00 pm  Misa en español  SJO
Thursday, February 20
8:00 am  Michael Graff  SJO
Friday, February 21
8:30 am  Marjory Perkins  SJA
7:00 pm  Misa en español  SJO
Saturday, February 22
5:15 pm  For the People of Good Shepherd Parish SJA
Sunday, February 23
8:30 am  Tillie & Emmett Schuchardt SJA
10:45 am  Mary & Doug Morrisette SJO
SJO-St. Joseph  SJA-St. James

St. James Liturgical Roles

St. James Liturgical Roles
Weekend of February 22 & 23

Lector
5:15 pm  Robert Snodie
8:30 am  Bonnie Moschkau

Commentator
5:15 pm  Patty Sommer
8:30 am  Rae Carol Rocca

Ministers of Bread
5:15 pm  Roxana Tomovici,
Koso Weller, Richard West
8:30 am  James Pope, Barbara Sella,
Daviete Stattelman-Scanlan

Servers
5:15 pm  Jeramiah & Samuel Vasquez
8:30 am  Amber & Zack Grosse

Ushers
5:15 pm  Dick Sullivan, Jerry Thompson,
Alex Tomovici, Rosie Troia
8:30 am  Bill Harrington, Tom Karls,
James Kyle, Rick Winch

Sacristans
5:15 pm  Beth Hanson
8:30 am  Bill Koberstein

St. Joseph Liturgical Roles

St. Joseph Liturgical Roles
Sunday, February 23

Lector
10:45 am  Lois Steindorf

Commentator
10:45 am  Carole Kinney

Ministers of Bread
10:45 am  Carolyn Amegashie,
Luigi & Silvia Pugilelli

Servers
10:45 am  Benjamin & Carter Eithun

Ushers
10:45 am  Joe Cermak, Leon DaCosta

Sacristans
10:45 am  Sr. Zita Simon

Scrip Earnings: February 8 & 9
Sales: $3,900  Earnings: $174.32

Good Shepherd Parish Support
Weekend of February 8 & 9, 2020
Envelope and Offertory $15,068.49

Readings for the week of February 16, 2020
Sunday: 1 Pt 5:1-5/Ps 54:1-2, 3-4, 8, 9, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 2:13-14
Monday:Mat 8:27-34
Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:6-11/Ps 65:1-2, 3-4, 5, 6, 7, 8 [7]/Ps 65:9-10
Wednesday: 2 Thess 1:1-10/Ps 119:67-72, 76
Thursday: Jas 1:2-3/Ps 119:37-40, 44, 45, 46, 47 [4b]/Mt 8:28-34
Friday: Jas 1:13-15/Ps 119:50-54, 55, 56, 57
Saturday: Jas 1:16-18/Ps 119:55-59, 60-64
Next Sunday: 1 Pt 5:1-2/Ps 119:65-68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76 [77a]/Mk 8:21-26

KC Council 531 and Good Shepherd Fellowship contributed the proceeds of the 2020 Pancake Breakfast ($270.00) to the Good Shepherd Parish Capital Campaign. Thank you for your generosity in helping us move closer to our goal.

Hearing Loop—At our St. James Church, we have a hearing loop that will assist those who wear hearing aids with the telecoil (T coil) feature. It also can truly help anyone to simply hear better. Both earphones and the transistor that is needed to access the system is available on the counter/shelf in the vestibule of St. James. Our ushers can help you. The Hearing Loop was received through a grant from the Diocesan Office.
Healing From Abortion

Are you or a loved one carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortion/s? Hope and Healing is possible. For confidential care, contact Mary or Christ at Project Rachel at 608-221-9593/608-821-3177, Rachel@madisondiocese.org. Referrals to a priest, counselor, peer support and/or Rachel Vineyard Retreat Weekend are offered. Upcoming retreat in 2020: March 13-15 or Nov. 13-15. For more information:

"Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift." Learn the tools of forgiveness and healing on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on March 13-15 in Madison, WI; April 17-19 in Brookfield, WI or June 26-28 in Rockford, IL. Visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

Passport Symbol: Bible

In the Gospel this week we hear Jesus talk about some passages from the Bible. Jesus explains that he did not come to abolish the law or prophets [that is to say the Old Testament] but to fulfill them. He then goes on to explain that it is not enough to just physically avoid evil in this life but we must actively seek out the good, both in our thoughts and in our actions. What Jesus is doing is calling us to a deeper level of holiness. We have in the Bible some good and important guidelines for how to live our lives, but Jesus reminds us that this is the minimum of what we should do and that we were created for so much more. God made us for love. What do you think is the difference between not hurting someone and loving someone?

Confirmation Question

Does God want humans to suffer during their lifetime?

Human suffering was not a part of God’s creation but only came to be as a result of sin. Yet in God's wisdom God allows humans to suffer. It is not easy to understand why this is. We can look at how some sinful behavior can lead to suffering in our lives and the lives of those around us, but we can also find plenty of examples of times when the wicked have prospered. Likewise there are all too many examples of innocent suffering such as a child who dies of cancer or victims of natural disasters. It is tempting to see God as indifferent to the plight of humanity. But our faith tells us this is not so. Suffering is part of the human experience, and God loves us too much to let that be the end of the story. God does not abandon us in our suffering but journeys alongside us. This is most dramatically played out in the cross. God, Himself, underwent great suffering through the crucifixion and in doing so has given suffering a redemptive power. No longer are we doomed because of sin but can transform our suffering into joy, just as the events of Good Friday paved the way for the events of Easter Sunday. It is often difficult, if not impossible, to see how this happens while we are in the midst of our suffering because our perspective is so limited. Given time, we may come to understand how a difficult situation we went through helped us to grow and develop as a person. Or we may never understand why some things happened to us in this lifetime and will only be granted the full view in the next. But regardless, God has never and will never abandon us. We may experience a night so dark that we cannot see God, but that does not mean that God has forsaken us. God is still there giving us the grace to continue on our difficult journey regardless of whether or not we recognize or feel God’s presence.

See your YOUCat § 66 for more details.

Diocese of Madison

Annual Catholic Appeal

“Love Never Fails”

On February 22-23, Msgr. Tom will lead the in-pew process for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Those who have not made a pledge by mail will be asked to do so at this time.

Please read the annual appeal tabloid that is in your bulletin today. It provides a detailed explanation of the use of the funds that you are asked to give. This appeal funds many ministries throughout the diocese and helps many in need.

Each household is asked to make a generous gift. In doing so, please consider making a pledge, payable over six months.

On February 22-23, one member from each household will be asked to fill out a commitment envelope during mass. Thank you in advance for your support of our parish, the diocese and the work of the church throughout the world.

Lent begins on Feb. 26, Ash Wednesday.

How will this Lent be a preparation for Holy Week for you? You will find some “food for thought, prayer and action” in the bulletin on the weekend of Feb. 21-22. Please read it carefully and consider its resources and suggestions.
When you are admitted to the hospital, please let the admitting staff know that you are from Good Shepherd Catholic Parish. We would like to visit and pray for you at this time of need. If you are admitted to VA hospital, UW hospital or a nursing home, please call the rectory and let us know where you are so we can continue to visit.

If you know you are scheduled for any surgery, you can call the rectory and arrange ahead of time for the sacrament of the sick.

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive communion or receive the bulletin, please call the rectory at 268-9930.

**Happy Birthday to our Seniors with February Birthdays!**

The following parishioners have birthdays in February. If you see them, be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!

- Ann Delmore
- Pete Crear
- Mary Ellen Marriot
- Beverly Fruth
- Mary Cochens
- Joann Manion
- Judy Reis
- Mary Brockert
- Donald Manion
- Melvin McCartney
- Geeturoida deMoor
- Sharon Abraham
- Ray Carroll
- Marquerte Pedracine
- Michael O’Brien
- Mary Ann Connors
- Peter Laubach
- Marian Fredal
- Peg Adamowicz
- Maureen Early-Ruzicka
- Charlotte Reott
- Louis Cassini
- Marilyn Irvine
- Luis Adaluz
- Michael Brost
- Ernest Tusa
- Richard Enger
- Mary Burke
- Ann Stone
- Michael Burke
- Luís Cumbajin
- Rima Badran
- Patricia Heiser
- Thomas Fields
- Judy Hoffman
- Robert Geier
- Jane Grinde
- Dale Henricks
- Tom Adamowicz

**Love Your Heart**

February 18th, 3:00 pm
St. James School Resource Room
Free presentation to learn more on heart and stroke health for women and their love ones.
**In this session, you will learn about:**
- Heart disease,
- Your personal risks,
- S.M.A.R.T. goals for healthy changes,
- And measuring success!

Treat yourself to your best self. All are welcome. Bring a friend. Please call your parish nurse, Cynthia Schoettler 268-9930 with any questions.

**Friday Fish Dinners**, 4:30 to 7:30 pm, at our St. James Site on February 28th, March 6th, March 13th and March 20th.
Entrees include breaded or baked fish with potatoes, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw and all the fixings. Single serving $10, All You Can Eat $15, Children 10 and under $5, Children 4 and under, free. Desserts, beer, and wine also available. Come join us for a great meal and good company to help support St. James School and the Good Shepard Parish.

**Annual Sauerkraut and Pork Hock Dinner**
Next Sunday, February 23, 2020 at Good Shepherd Catholic Parish, St James Church Hall from 11:30 am to 4:30 pm Sauerkraut, pork hocks, sausage, wiener, creamed corn, potatoes and bread. Adults $12.00, children $5.00
Help is needed with set-up, in the kitchen and in the dining room.
To volunteer, please call Elaine Staley at 257-6930
To volunteer to help serve, please call Maureen Kind at 608-274-6754 or 608-445-1882. Shifts are from 1:15 am to 2:00 pm and 1:45 pm to 4:30 pm.

**“Unplanned” - a transforming movie**
You are not alone… if your life has been touched, if you don’t have all the answers, if you have questions. This movie shows how a real life woman faced many challenges and ultimately was transformed in her thinking. Might you be transformed too? Come to the free showing at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 2115 Rowley Ave., Madison at the door between the church and school, 7 pm, Wednesday, Feb. 19. A time for reflection and discussion will follow.

**Hospital Awareness - “STAY IN TOUCH”**

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Ninguna ley divina o humana puede cubrir las decisiones correctas que debemos tomar en nuestra jornada de vida y en la comunidad. Es preciso tomar decisiones que comprometan al bien común y al ejercicio de la justicia.

Recordemos en términos bíblicos, justicia es ejercer la misericordia de Dios en los que nos rodean. Tanto la Primera Lectura como el Evangelio marcan el punto de lo que más se necesita para actuar con rectitud, “Confianza plena en Dios.” Escoger lo correcto ayuda a profundizar en el corazón humano lo que Dios pide a cada uno. Decidir por las cosas buenas en la vida es cosa de todos los días. La Primera lectura del Eclesiástico dice así: “Si tú quieres, puedes observar los mandamientos; está en tus manos el ser fiel. Ante ti puso el fuego y el agua; extiende la mano a lo que prefieras. Delante de los hombres están la vida y la muerte; a cada uno se le dará lo que ha elegido.” (Eclesiástico 5:14-17)

En el Evangelio, Jesús urge que escuchemos la Ley de Dios y la llevemos a plenitud. En los cuatro ejemplos se habla de la rectitud de vida que es encontrada en los mandamientos. Cada día se encuentra la persona en la dicotomía de elegir entre lo que es bueno y lo que no es. Escuchemos a Jesús que reta a hacer decisiones que lleven a hacer crecer el Reino de Dios. Bien sabemos que solo obrando rectamente se logra este objetivo. La clave es la siguiente: “Digan si cuando es sí, y no cuando es no; cualquier otra cosa que se le añada, viene del demonio.” (Mateo 5:37)

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**Lecturas de hoy**

**Primera lectura:** Eclesiástico (Sirácide) 15, 16-21

La sabiduría del Señor es grande. La humanidad tiene vida y muerte a su alcance, ella recibe lo que escoge.

**Salmo:** Salmo 118, 1-2. 4-5. 17-18. 33-34

Dichosos los que caminan en la voluntad del Señor.

**Segunda lectura:** 1 Corintios 2, 6-10

Pablo escribió que la verdadera sabiduría es un misterio escondido por Dios, que Él proyectó desde el principio.

**Pláticas Bautismales para papás y padrinos:**
La próxima sesión de pláticas bautismales será el 14 de Marzo de 9:30 am a 12:30 pm. Llame al 268-9932 para registrarse.
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Cena anual de platillo de cerdo

Domingo 23 de febrero de 2020 en nuestro sitio San Santiago
(St James Church, 1128 St. James Ct.
Madison, WI 53715 )
de 11:30 am a 4:30 pm.
Disfrute de una deliciosa comida mientras apoya a nuestra escuela y parroquia.
Adultos $12:00, niños $5.00.

Símbolo de Pasaporte

Biblia: En el Evangelio de esta semana esuchamos a Jesús hablar sobre algunos pasajes de la Biblia. Jesús explica que no vino a abolir la ley ni a los profetas [es decir, el Antiguo Testamento] sino a cumplirlos. Luego continúa explicando que no es suficiente evitar físicamente el mal en esta vida, sino que debemos buscar activamente el bien, tanto en nuestros pensamientos como en nuestras acciones. Lo que Jesús está haciendo es llamarnos a un nivel más profundo de santidad. Tenemos en la Biblia algunas pautas buenas e importantes sobre cómo vivir nuestras vidas, pero Jesús nos recuerda que esto es lo mínimo que debemos hacer y que fuimos creados para mucho más. Dios nos hizo por amor. ¿Cuál crees que es la diferencia entre no lastimar a alguien y amar a alguien?

Fondo de la Campaña Capital al 2/10/2020

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Gracias a todos los que se han comprometido.

Llame a Lisa Harrington al (608) 268-9930 en Inglés o a Denice Jimenez al (608) 268-9932 en Español si necesita una tarjeta de compromiso. Gracias.

Pregunta de confirmación

¿Dios quiere que los humanos sufran durante su vida?

El sufrimiento humano no fue parte de la creación de Dios, sino que surgió como resultado del pecado. Sin embargo, en la sabiduría de Dios, Dios permite que los humanos sufran. No es fácil entender por qué es así. Podemos ver cómo algunos comportamientos pecaminosos pueden provocar sufrimiento en nuestras vidas y en las vidas de quienes nos rodean, pero también podemos encontrar muchos ejemplos de momentos en que los malvados han prosperado. Del mismo modo, hay demasiados ejemplos de sufrimiento inocente, como los niños que muere de cáncer o son víctimas de desastres naturales. Es tentador ver a Dios como indiferente a la difícil situación de la humanidad. Pero nuestra fe nos dice que esto no es así. El sufrimiento es parte de la experiencia humana, y Dios nos ama demasiado para dejar que ese sea el final de la historia. Dios no nos abandona en nuestro sufrimiento sino que viaja junto a nosotros. Esto se representa más dramaticamente en la cruz. Dios mismo sufriría un gran sufrimiento a través de la crucifixión y al hacerlo le dio al sufrimiento un poder redentor. Ya no estamos condenados por el pecado, sino que podemos transformar nuestro sufrimiento en alegría, así como los eventos del Viernes Santo allanaron el camino para los eventos del Domingo de Pascua. A menudo es difícil, si no imposible, ver cómo sucede esto mientras estamos en medio de nuestro sufrimiento porque nuestra perspectiva es muy limitada. Con el tiempo, podemos llegar a comprender cómo una situación difícil puede la que pasamos nos ayuda a crecer y desarrollarnos como persona. O tal vez nunca comprendamos por qué nos sucedieron algunas cosas en esta vida y solo se nos otorgará la vista completa en el próximo. Pero independientemente, Dios no nos abandona y nunca nos abandonará. Podemos experimentar una noche tan oscura que no podemos ver a Dios, pero eso no significa que Dios nos haya abandonado. Dios todavía está allí dándonos la gracia de continuar en nuestro difícil viaje, independientemente de si reconocemos o no la presencia de Dios.

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