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Retired Priest in Residence

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

"I am the Good Shepherd,  
and I know mine and mine know me."  
John 10:14

## Weekday Masses

Tuesday.....6:00 pm

Thursday.....8:30 am

## Weekend Masses

Saturday.....6:30 pm

Sunday.....9:30 am

## Reconciliation (Confession)

5:45-6:15 pm (prior to the 6:30 pm Mass)  
on Saturdays.

## Baptism

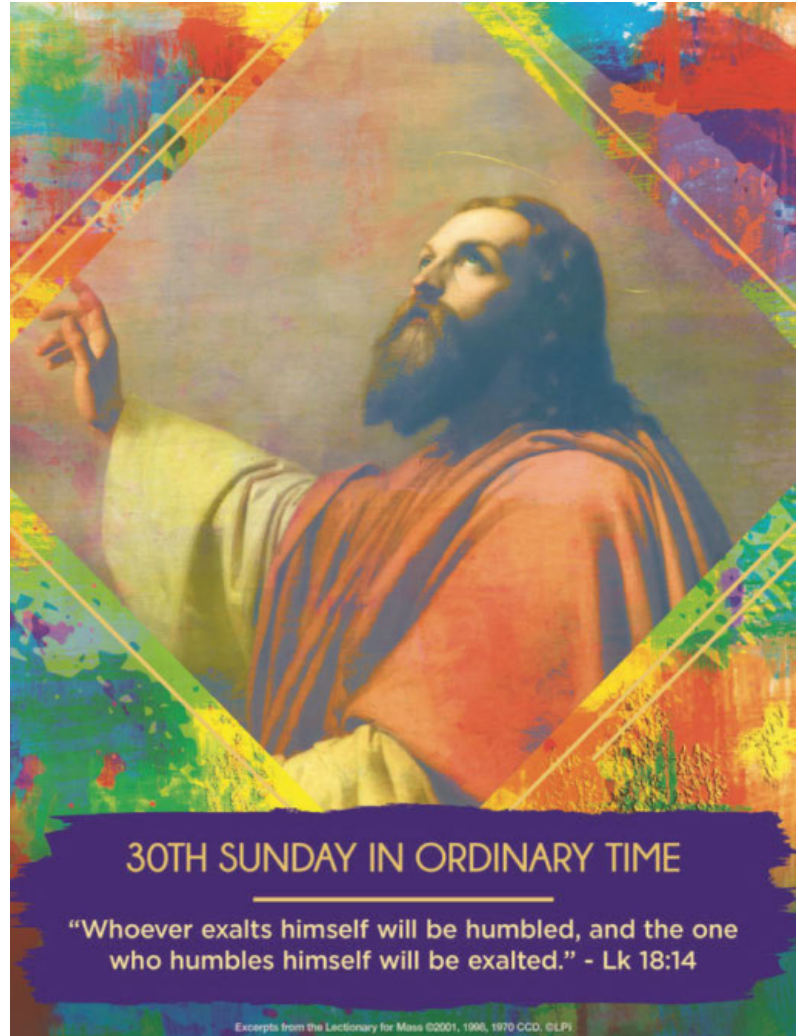
Parents are urged to have their child baptized as soon as possible. Call the office to schedule a baptism, and for any baptismal prep that may be needed. Prep for new parents is 4th Tues. of the month, bi-monthly (Jan/Mar, etc.), 7 pm at Holy Rosary. We ask that you speak with Father before selecting sponsors, to be aware of their requirements.

## Anointing of the Sick

Offered the first Tuesday of month during Mass. Also offered any other time it is needed, including if you are preparing for a serious surgery.

## Marriage

Please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting to discuss marriage plans, and before making preparations—at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.



*The mission of Good Shepherd Catholic Parish is to welcome all to spiritual growth through prayer, worship and ongoing formation. Together, formed in the image of Christ, the Good Shepherd, we will tend to the needs of the entire community.*

## Parish Community Mass Schedule

Good Shepherd (GS), Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH), Holy Rosary (HR), Sacred Heart (SH)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OLPH 7:30 am		HR 5:15 pm	HR 8:30 am	GS 8:30 am	OLPH 8:30 am	SH 4:00 pm
HR 8:30 am		GS 6:00 pm	SH 8:30 am	HR 8:30 am	SH 8:30 am	HR 5:00 pm
GS 9:30 am						GS 6:30 pm
HR 10:30 am						
SH 7:00 pm (June - August)						
SH 5:30 pm (Sept. - May)						

## Mass Schedule for the Week

**Tues., Oct. 25, 6:00 pm**

† Dick Gordon (birthday remembrance)  
*Offered by Mary Gordon & Family*

**Thurs., Oct. 27, 8:30 am**

† All Souls

**Thurs., Oct. 27, 10:00 am**

**at RL Health Services**

† Violet Melaski

*Offered by Ted & Cheryl Eisner*

**Sat., Oct. 29, 6:30 pm**

† Ora & Dorothy Harder

(wedding anniversary remembrance)

*Offered by Glenn & Mary Harder*

**Sun., Oct. 30, 9:30 am**

† Larry Ulczycki

*Offered by Ted & Cheryl Eisner*

## Scripture for this Week

Sun: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/2 Tm 4:6-8,  
16-18/Lk 18:9-14  
Mon: Eph 4:32—5:8/Lk 13:10-17  
Tues: Eph 5:21-33/Lk 13:18-21  
Wed: Eph 6:1-9/Lk 13:22-30  
Thurs: Eph 6:10-20/Lk 13:31-35  
Fri: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16  
Sat: Phil 1:18b-26/Lk 14:1, 7-11  
Next Sun: Wis 11:22—12:2/2 Thes 1:11—  
2:2/Lk 19:1-10

## Ministries For Next Weekend

**Sat., Oct. 29, 6:30 pm**

**Ushers:** Dan & Cathy Thums, Cheryl Graumann, Volunteer

**Readers:** Lana Thums, Barb Ruesch

**Sacristan:** Mary B. Thums

**Eucharistic Minister:** Carol Bleck

**Server:** Emma Winnie

**Sun., Oct. 30, 9:30 am**

**Ushers:** Richard & Mary Hebda, Teri Packenham, Josefa Winnie

**Readers:** Cheryl Eisner, Diane Niggemann

**Sacristan:** Luanne Yanko

**Eucharistic Minister:** Bonnie Schmidtfranz

**Server:** Abby Packenham



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## Offering of Prayers

*Jesus, we humble ourselves before you, knowing we are at your mercy when we ask for the healing power of our friends in need...*

All nursing home residents (including Fr. Dennis Meulemans, Mike E. Thums, Glenn Mathias, Bob Shook, LaVern Mitchell, Florence Cedzo, Bob Tomaszewski, Bud Brandner and Karen Pocock), Fr. Ed Oen, Charlie Matyka, Betsy Koch, Pat Gilge, Danny Graumann, Dennis Niggemann, Joyce Denzine, Amber Yanko, Shirley Kauer, Dan Sackmann, Mike Clark, Carol Long, Gayle (Long) Murphy, Rose (Matyka) Anderson, Susan Demers, Jeanette Gehrig, Gail Helmert, Carol & Dan Pozanc, Kris Zondlo, Betty Brandner, Kathy Haas, Susan Elendt, Judy & Howard Troyk, Ben Yanko, Marian Johnson, Duane Draeger, Linda Kathrein, Joshua & Benjamin Metz, Nicole Richardson, Steve Spurgeon, Richard Weinatzl, Norman Metz

### A GIFT OF PRAYER

As a ministry of prayer, we ask parishioners who are having surgery or medical procedures to notify us. With permission, we will publish their name and date of procedure if we know it in time for publication. Our goal is to have as many of us who can pray (and/or fast) for them specifically while their procedure is being done. A small votive candle will also be lighted in church during that time. At this time, we pray for...

Danny Graumann

2-day back surgery, Oct. 26 and 27

## For Spiritual Growth

**Pope Francis' Address on the Eucharist** (Continued). "It is very important to return to the basics, to rediscover what is essential, through what we touch and see in the celebration of the Sacraments. The question of the apostle Saint Thomas (cf Jn 20:25), to be able to touch and see the wounds left by the nails in Jesus' body, is the desire to be able in some way to "touch" God to believe in Him. What Saint Thomas asks of the Lord is what we all need: to see and touch Him to be able to recognize Him. The Sacraments encounter this human need. The Sacraments, and the Eucharistic celebration in a special way, are the signs of God's love, and privileged ways to encounter Him.

So, through these catechesis that begin today, I would like to rediscover with you the beauty that is concealed in the Eucharistic celebration, and that, once revealed, gives full meaning to the life of each person. May Our Lady accompany us in this new stretch of the road. Thank you."

## PRAISE and THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL SERVICE

at

**Rib Lake**

**United Methodist Church**

**Sunday, November 6, 2022**

**5:00 pm Service,**

**Potluck luncheon to follow.**

**Bring a plate of  
Sandwiches or a dish to pass.**

*We have not gathered together since  
Before Co-vid, so we look forward to  
This special evening.  
Please come if you can!*



### Message from our Pastor

As a child grows it is often seen as cute when they try out their "independence." Their attempts to do things themselves are a challenge that we encourage them to overcome; however their limitations are quite apparent. When our children grow up though, it seems as if we have to overcome that horrible problem called weakness.

Today in our Scripture there are two approaches to prayer, one seemingly as though all is good in the world and the other as though it is not. Genuine prayer is an important part of our relationship with Christ, which only happens when we recognize the truth of ourselves, and with that honesty comes an honest approach to God.

"Real" prayer comes from a place where we recognize the truth that we are not independent, that we need our Lord.

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## PARISH NEWS

### Faith Formation

Classes for Wed., October 26:

Gr. 1-5 5:30-6:45 pm  
Gr. 6-12 7-8:10 pm

Note to Gr. 11 students: Please return your Sacraments of Initiation forms to your catechist this week!

**Welcome!** We welcome John and Jean Osen to this parish community. John and Jean now reside in their cabin near Westboro, having moved from the Medford area. We are glad to have you part of this parish family!

### Thank You

The family of Ruth Martin extends their thank you to Bernice Matyka, Faith Long, Isabella Fallos, Emma Winnie, Sara Matyka, Sharon Acker and Mary Niggemann, and any others who helped in preparation of the meal, including set up, cooking, waitressing and clean up. It was very much appreciated.

### Our Lady of Guadalupe

Take a coach bus to visit this Shrine in La Crosse on Sat., Oct. 29. Join with others from our 4-parish community! Cost is \$30 per person. Depart Holy Rosary, Medford at 8 am and return back to Medford about 7:30 pm. Checks can be payable to Medford Knights of Columbus. Sign up by contacting Holy Rosary Parish office 715-748-3336 (option 1) or Rodney Mahner at 715-748-3365. Talk your friends into signing up with you!

### Handling the Holidays

Sometimes holidays can be challenging when they involve changes due to death or ill health of a loved one, or changes in other family dynamics. Grief and anxiety can sometimes overwhelm us when we ponder how to cope with any changes. Join us in this 4-part series called "Handling the Holidays." Come, join us!

Thursday, November 3

1:00 pm in Good Shepherd Parish Hall.  
Facilitated by Sandra Simonson Thums.  
All are welcome!

Consideration is being given to offering these sessions in the evening, if that suits your schedule better. Please notify Good Shepherd's parish office 715-427-5259 by Oct. 24, if interested in evening opportunities. (Leave a message with your name and phone number, if there is no answer.)

### Adoration This Week-Oct. 25/26

• Tuesday, at Good Shepherd, from 3-5:45 pm;  
• Wednesday, at Holy Rosary (Diocesan Day of Eucharistic Adoration) from 9:30 am to 8:30 pm.

### Music Practice

Practice with Chryllyn will be this Thurs., Oct. 27, 7 pm in church.



### Trunk or Treat

Get your trunks decorated for this year's Trunk or Treat next Sat., Oct. 29, following the 6:30 pm Mass. Kids, wear your costumes to Mass and bring a bag for your goodies! We ask that parents please accompany their children. Those decorating trunks and bringing candy, please park in the large (west) parking lot. Thank you.



### All Souls Day Mass- Nov. 2

A 6:30 pm Mass will be celebrated for all the faithful departed on Wed., Nov. 2. Parents and children will be attending this Mass instead of class in their classroom that evening.

All who died and were buried from this parish community the past year will be named at this Mass, and their loved ones are asked to come forward to light a candle in their memory. Others who lost a loved one during the year will also have the opportunity to come forward to light a candle for their deceased friends or relatives.

The youth will receive paper flames in Religious Ed this Wednesday. They will be asked to write the names of any deceased relatives and friends on them, and these flames will be taped near the Light of Christ flame on a large, constructed candle. They can simply write "Grandpa Smith" or "Aunt Susie" or "Jenny," etc. on the flames.

### For Your Funny Bone:

#### Donation

Father O'Malley answers the phone.  
"Hello, is this Father O'Malley?"  
"It is."  
"This is the IRS. Can you help us?"  
"I can."  
"Do you know a Ted Houlihan?"  
"I do."  
"Is he a member of your congregation?"  
"He is."  
"Did he donate \$10,000 to the church?"  
"He will."



### Welcome to Good Shepherd!

Welcome to the following who became a member of the Catholic Faith Community through the Waters of Baptism:

**Genevieve Marie Probst**  
October 23, 2022

Parents: Brandon & Philomena  
Godparents: Michael & Jonelle Harder

### Marriage Blessings

Congratulations, and blessings for the following couple who were married at Marathon City. Kyle was registered at Good Shepherd up until this time:

**Kyle Matyka**

and

**Savannah Krznarich**

Married at Marathon City, WI.  
October 22, 2022

### Our Gifts to God

#### Collection of October 16, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$	2,218.00
Loose Collection	\$	292.00
Candles	\$	30.00
Energy	\$	140.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,680.00</b>

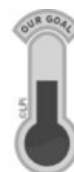
### Catholic Services Appeal (CSA)

Did you know???

Your CSA dollars provide educational support of our seminarians—your future priests, and encourage religious vocations through various diocesan programs, as well as programs for the support of vocations to the married life.

We understand the reasoning of those making a one-time offering toward CSA. However, if your financial situation changes and you are able to make additional payments over and above your one-time payment, you can simply return a second CSA envelope in the collection basket. We have some that do this each year. Thank you to all who have been supporting this special annual appeal.

**Our CSA Assessment \$ 26,428.00**  
Pledged to Date \$ 17,829.00



52% members pledged 67% of our CSA total.



### **Birthdays This Week (Oct. 23-29)**

Marylou Eisner	Oct. 25
David Matyka	Oct. 28
Julia Thums	Oct. 29
Joe Schmidtfranz, Jr.	Oct. 27
Janine Probst	Oct. 27
Kari Weik	Oct. 23
Amber Fallos	Oct. 29
Steve Long	Oct. 27
Trent Huther	Oct. 24
Jacob Matyka	Oct. 23
Sam Gumz	Oct. 29
Megan Buksa	Oct. 28
Stella Fuchs	Oct. 28
Will Polacek	Oct. 23

### **Anniversaries This Week (Oct. 23-29)**

Andy & Karen Dums	Oct. 25
Ryan & Audrey Metz	Oct. 23
Sara & Travis Niemi	Oct. 24
Jody & Nicole Scheller	Oct. 25

### **Baby Bottle Campaign**

You are reminded to return your baby bottles next week or drop them off at the parish office. This fundraiser for Abiding Care Pregnancy Resource Center in Medford provides help and hope to those facing an unplanned pregnancy.



### **Message from our Pastor** *Continued from Page 2*

The dependency is then expressed with our particular recognition of the areas that we need our God's help, His healing, His strength, His peace, His Love. We need, always. God is the one who provides for this need. Let us form our prayer to truly express this truth.

This month we recognize this need in a real way as we turn to the Lord in our Prayer through the Blessed Mother. This month of the Rosary is a truly perfect time to learn how to bring our needs to our Lord in prayer, not as someone who is simply demanding things from our God, but surrendering them to Him and being free in our weakness. The Rosary is a beautiful way to pray, not simply recite words to our Lord out of our need. I encourage all to pray to Our Blessed Mother through the Rosary. The first step is to learn how to pray the Rosary. There have been inserts in the bulletins. I encourage you all to pray the Rosary at least once a week to get started. You can also pray a decade or 1 our Father and 10 Hail Mary's. There are also great resources that include meditations for each mystery that are helpful with prayer and the Rosary.

No matter where we are in our journey of faith we could use help in surrendering our weakness to our Lord. Let us begin by with this beautiful devotion, the Rosary.



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