

# Good Shepherd Parish

May 2, 2021

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## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2

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**G**ood Shepherd Parish mission | to call people to celebrate the life of Christ through Roman Catholic liturgy, education and acts of social justice throughout our diverse communities, fostering unity and making the Body of Christ visible to all.

**Most Holy Trinity Church  
Parish Office**  
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Lyman, ME 04002

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**St. Joseph Church  
St. Anne Chapel**  
178 Elm St.  
Biddeford, ME 04005

## Series | Saints of the 20th Century, Frontline Heroes of the Faith

Blessed Marcel Callo

By Fr. Brad Morin

Marcel Callo was born on Dec. 6, 1921, in Rennes, France, being one of nine children. He was a happy child, who was known to be a leader and a perfectionist. He helped with his household chores and he helped take care of his younger siblings. After completing his primary studies, he became an apprentice to a printer around age 13. He did not like associating with fellow workers who swore

and told many improper stories. He preferred accompanying good Catholic friends who belonged to the JOC, Jeunesse Ouvriere Chretienne (Young Christian Worker). He had a good sense of humor and would like to wrestle, play football, ping pong, cards and bridge.

When Marcel was 20 he fell in love with Marguerite Derniaux. He did not degrade women like his fellow worker but instead had deep respect for women. He said, *"I am not one to amuse myself with the heart of a lady, since my love is pure and noble. If I have waited until 20 years old to go out with a young lady, it is because I knew that I wanted to find real love. One must master his heart before he can give it to the one that is chosen for him by Christ."* It took him about one year to declare his love to Marguerite and an additional four months before they first kissed. After being engaged, they imposed a strict spiritual rule of life which included praying the same prayers and going to Mass and receiving the Eucharist as often as they could.

On March 8, 1943, World War II had gripped their city of Rennes. That day his sister, Madeleine, was killed by one of the bombs that leveled her building. When the Germans later occupied France, Mar-

cel was ordered and deported to Zella-Mehlis, Germany to the S.T.O. Service du Travail Obligatoire (Service of Obligatory Work). If he did not comply, his family would be arrested, so he went.

Once there, he worked in a factory that produced bombs that would be used against his own countrymen. After three months or so of missing his family and missing Mass (there was no Catholic church in that town), Marcel became seriously depressed. He later found a room where Mass was offered on Sunday. This helped change his disposition. He reported that, *"Finally Christ reacted. He made me to understand that the depression was not good. I had to keep busy with my friends and then joy and relief would come back to me."*

With his morale and hope restored, he cared for his deported friends. He organized a group of Christian workers who did activities together like play sports or cards. He also organized a theatrical group. He galvanized his friends despite him suffering from painful boils, headaches and infected teeth. For his French friends, he arranged a Mass to be celebrated in their native tongue. Eventually, his religious activities attracted unwanted attention from the German officials. The Germans arrested Marcel on April 19, 1944, saying that, "Monsieur is too much of a Catholic."

The Germans interrogated Marcel. He admitted his Catholic activities and was imprisoned in Gotha. He secretly received the Eucharist while in prison and continued to pray and help his companions. He was considered dangerous to the Germans and was moved to a different prison at Mathausen. He suffered from various ailments such as bronchitis, malnutrition, dysentery, fever, swelling, and generalized weakness. He never complained. Despite his suffering, he encouraged his companions by saying, *"It is in prayer that we find our strength."* He died on the feast of St. Joseph, March 19, 1945. The date was exactly two years from the day he left home. Pope John Paul II beautified Marcel Callo on Oct. 4, 1987 along with two Italian martyrs, Antonio Mesina and Pierina Morosini.

### LET US PRAY

**Rest in Peace** | Victor "Vic" Gould, Jr. (born 1933)  
Gerard Petit (born 1934) | Alia Bennett (born 1984)  
Adrien Picard (born 1947)

**The Sanctuary Lamps are burning this week at St. Philip, St. Joseph, and Most Holy Trinity!** *In memory of Anna and Marcel Morissette, Joanne Crepeau, and Roger & Irene Patnaude.*

**Livestream Prayer Opportunities** | The parish continues to livestream the 4pm mass at Most Holy Trinity on Saturday evenings and makes that mass available afterwards for viewing on the parish website, [goodshepherdparish.us/livestreamedmasses](http://goodshepherdparish.us/livestreamedmasses).

**Vocation** | Jesus, the true vine, promised that if we live in him we will produce abundantly. What are the signs of new life in you? Find ways to nourish your relationship with Jesus. (John 15:1-8). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Seamus Griesbach: 773-6471; email: [seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org); Website: [www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations); Facebook: [VocationsME](https://www.facebook.com/VocationsME)

**Intercession** | For all those chosen by the Lord to go and bear fruit as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, that they will respond to his love with conviction in their vocations, we pray to the Lord.

### Clergy

**Fr. Timothy Nadeau, Pastor** | Rev. Brad Morin,  
Parochial Vicar | Rev. Dominic Tumusiime, AJ, Parochial Vicar  
Deacons Robert Parenteau | Kevin Jacques | Rick Huot

### Apostolate of Prayer for Priests | May 2021

2. Pope Francis
3. Rev. Joseph W. Cahill, Rev. Philip A. Tracy
4. V. Rev. Louis J. Phillips, Rev. Seamus P. Griesbach
5. Rev. Donald Gagne SM, Rev. Richard MacDonough SS
6. Rev. Peter Kaseta OFMCAP, Msgr. Rene Mathieu
7. Rev. Nehru Stephen Savarayia HGN, Rev. Johnson S. Panneer Slevam HGM



### COLLECTIONS

**Second Collection This Weekend** | Religious education programs. Please help support parish faith formation programs. Instruction of church teachings and the importance of the sacraments are available to young and old. We invite all to come into relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

# GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 2, 2021

## PARISH LITURGIES | MASS INTENTIONS

### INDOOR CAPACITIES RAISED TO 50%

Beginning Friday, March 26, Governor Mills increased the capacity for churches to 50%. Beginning Memorial Day, the capacity will go to 75%. Name and contact information, social distancing, and masks are all required.

Registration is required for weekend and Holy weekday Masses.

*Weekend Mass registration is required. You can register online through our website, <https://goodshepherdparish.us/register-for-mass>, or call 282-4812 and a member of our staff will help you. Weekday Mass registration for St. Joseph is not required, except for Holy Days. Holy Day weekday Masses do require registration.*

*Priests are honoring all Mass intentions previously scheduled. Mass intentions will be celebrated on the date indicated but not necessarily at the requested time and location. We will announce changes on our website. We need and appreciate your understanding during this unusual time.*

#### Saturday, May 1:

- 4:00 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass (Livestreamed): Douglas Gardner (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.)
- 4:00 pm St. Margaret Mass: Robert (6<sup>th</sup> Ann.) & Jocelyn (12<sup>th</sup> Ann.) Gosselin
- 4:30 pm St Philip Mass: Raymond & Jeannette Elie
- Private Mass Intentions: Peggy Descoteaux

#### Sunday, May 2 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Edward Cloutier (38<sup>th</sup> Ann.)
- 8:30 am St. Margaret Mass: Robert Bruder
- 9:00 am St. Philip Mass: Solange Lessard & Carol Camire
- 10:30 am Most Holy Trinity Mass: Donald Cyr
- 11:00 am St. Joseph Mass: For All People in Good Shepherd Parish

#### Monday, May 3

- 6:00 pm St. Joseph Mass: Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

#### Tuesday, May 4

- 9:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Brian Babeau

#### Wednesday, May 5

- 6:00 pm St. Joseph Mass: Robert & Noella Croteau

#### Thursday, May 6

- 9:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Donald Chretien \*

#### Friday, May 7

- 9:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Memorial Book Names

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#### Saturday, May 8:

- 4:00 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass (Livestreamed): Jeannette Graffam
- 4:00 pm St. Margaret Mass: Robert Croteau (3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.)
- 4:30 pm St Philip Mass: Anna Morissette

#### Sunday, May 9 | Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Doris Couture
- 8:30 am St. Margaret Mass: Vivien C. & James J. Sullivan
- 9:00 am St. Philip Mass: In honor of the Blessed Mother
- 10:30 am Most Holy Trinity Mass: Theresa Sparkowich
- 11:00 am St. Joseph Mass: For All People in Good Shepherd Parish

## NOTICES

**WESHARE CAMPAIGN** | Be aware that LPI, the company that publishes our bulletin and provides WESHARE the online giving service, will be sending invitations to encourage greater participation in automated recurring donations. This is their own initiative and at no cost to the parish. If we have your email and/or address on file, soon you should receive an email and postcard from LPI outlining how to sign up for this service. The COVID restrictions have reduced Mass attendance and consequently we are seeing a 20-25% drop in Offertory donations for the parish. Also, we have had to change how we process the weekly collections because of social distancing and the loss of volunteers who did the sorting, counting, and deposits. This service allows us to greatly reduce the administrative burden and streamline the record keeping. It is safe and easy to use and can be found by going directly to the parish website: <https://goodshepherdparish.weshareonline.org>. Feel free to call Amy Loring or David Gadbois at 282-3321 with any questions. Thank you for considering WESHARE and your support to Good Shepherd Parish.

## SHEPHERDS OF HOPE

**Shepherds of Hope pledges** | For parishioners who have not made a pledge, we need your help. Please pray about taking that step. There are cards at each church or the parish office to fill out or take home for prayerful consideration. Bring pledge to the office or mail to: Good Shepherd Parish, 271 Main St., Saco.

Note | Any checks, cash can be dropped in collection basket, inside a blank envelope and must have a name and ID number to receive credit. Check payments should be made out to: Good Shepherd Parish; "Shepherds Of Hope" in memo line.

**Current totals | 783 household gifts | \$1,488,718 | 74% of goal Cash collected, available for projects as of March 31 | \$828,033**

**Shepherds of Hope Pledge Payments** | Please note that if you intend to use ACH or credit card for payment and/or installments on pledge, you must do so by signing into the parish's online giving service, WESHARE. Please do not include bank account information or credit card number on pledge card. Go to the parish website to sign up and make a payment or set up a recurring payment schedule. If you decide to use WESHARE, mark that on your pledge card so we handle the pledge properly.

We have created a link with the Shepherds of Hope logo at [goodshepherdparish.us/](https://goodshepherdparish.us/). For assistance, call Amy Loring at 282-3321, ext. 105.

\* **ACH withdrawals from bank account:** Fee is 10 cents per transaction plus 1%, calculated as follows: For example, a \$50 donation will include a 50-cent charge, plus 10 cents, for a total fee of 60 cents. The \$50 donation results in a net donation to the parish of \$49.40.

\* **Credit, Debit Card Transactions:** Fee is 3.25%, calculated as follows: A \$50 donation will include a 3.25% transaction fee and amount to a charge of \$1.63. The \$50 donation results in a net donation to the parish of \$48.37.

Since the credit/debit card fees are more than double ACH fees, we prefer use of ACH. Please consider this when deciding your source of payment. Thank you for your generosity.

### Saint for the Week

On one side, I saw the Lord calling me; on the other the world offering me its seducing charms and pleasures. How often did I embrace and reject, willed and not willed the same thing! But in the end Jesus Christ triumphed in me.

- St. Hilary of Arles, (401-449), Bishop, Patron Saint of Lawyers, Feast Day May 5

COMMUNITY

Good Shepherd Parish Christmas Fair 2021 | Wow, it certainly has been a while since we've seen these words. The Magnolia tree is beginning to bloom and here we are talking about the Christmas Fair. So before you schedule anything else for the Fair weekend, be sure to save the dates of November 13 and 14, 2021. These are the dates that we are planning on having our GSP Christmas Fair. Our solicitation letters will be going out to area businesses very soon, for donations to the Penny Raffle, as a matter of fact some have already gone out for the Penny Raffle. Crafters and Knitters have been hard at it. It's still a bit early to start baking whoopie pies but this too will come to pass.

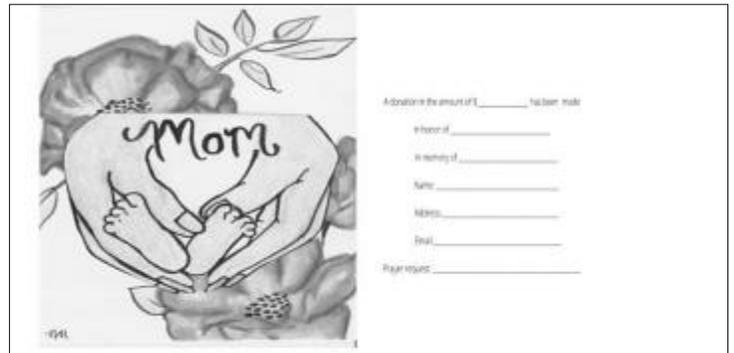
This year's Christmas Fair may seem a bit different than in years past but we are still hoping to provide all of you with an opportunity to share some fun, food and fellowship. Once again, you will be encouraged to get involved. We have all been looking for a way to reconnect and share some stewardship toward our parish and one another. Look for opportunities in the weekly bulletin as we try to keep you informed as to what is coming up. From the Christmas Fair committee to each and every one of you, we look forward to being TOGETHER AGAIN! Your Safety and ours, will be our main concern as we prepare for this festive occasion. FMI contact Dan and Denise Bastarache, co-chairs at 284-5195.

Totus Tuus | Hundreds of Maine teens and children will have the opportunity to participate in a weeklong Catholic youth program (grades 1-12) dedicated to teaching the Gospel and deepening love for God and the Church. Totus Tuus will be presented in 10 Maine communities during summer 2021: Fort Kent, Caribou, Houlton, Bangor, Farmington, Waterville, Windham, Lewiston, Brunswick, and Saco. The program, organized by the Diocese of Portland's Office of Vocations, leads participants on an age-appropriate encounter with the timeless treasures of the Catholic faith through dynamic and

faith-filled content that inspires young people to live the call of the Gospel in today's world. To register or for more information about the program, visit [www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations/totustuus](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations/totustuus).

Yard sale to benefit GSP | St. Philip will accept items starting May 3, Monday through Friday, 10am-2pm and 4-8pm; Saturdays and Sundays before and after Mass. Please, no TVs, computers, large appliances or clothing. Sorting and pricing will start at the schedule above. Help is much needed. Please consider spending a few hours with us. Yard sale is July 10, 9am-4pm and July 11, 10am-2pm. COVID rules will apply. FMI, contact Connie Dale at 985-4585.

Mother's Day | Esther Residence is offering cards for people to send to any loved one. Donations are up to each individual and there is a reply card for the sisters to pray for the person receiving the card and also for prayer requests. The card, pictured below, was designed by a resident of the Esther Residence; her story: <https://youtu.be/GO1KKmuJ4qE>. To order, call 283-0323.



DISCIPLESHIP

A Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes | Offered from May 1 for nine consecutive evenings at 6pm in Ste. Anne's Chapel. A reminder that Mary, herself, told us that the Rosary is the greatest reflection of Jesus Christ's life and the tool from which we are to feel the love of

Heaven. It is the tool we use to defeat Satan just as when David used his sling and slayed Goliath with his stone. Our Rosary is our defense against evil and will someday defeat Satan and his minions. Join us, you will not be sorry!

GOSPEL MEDITATION

May 2 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

"Spiraling out of control," is a phrase that can easily describe the current display of human existence. In addition to the violence, unrest, uneasiness and turmoil that are common elements of our daily news, other essential pieces are misplaced or missing. Many lack an objective center around which to order and structure their lives or a clear set of definable goals or mores to act as guideposts and life directives. It appears that "feelings" have become a "new god" and traditional structures and ideals set aside. It is almost as if history only shows that we got this whole thing wrong and many are determined to finally set things right. The real truth, however, is that while wrongs and errors are certainly a part of our often-checkered past, it is hardly the case that all was wrong. It is not our task to rewrite the history of our lives, but to learn from mistakes that were made, and preserve the perennial wisdom at the root of our successes. Learning is an essential part of being human.

The question becomes, however, from whom do we learn? Some have such a hard time placing God in that position, but that is precisely where God needs to be. God is the Master Teacher from whom all of humanity learns and gets its cues. It is in and through this relationship with the Gardener of Life that we are fashioned and pruned

into the people we are intended to be and can be. It is only in God that we are able to find our best selves. Sadly, many think that religion too, as well as history in general, has also gotten all this wrong. Yet, our resurrection faith tells us differently. We are reminded, today especially, that we are meant to remain in Christ as Christ remains in us. We are also reminded that Jesus, the Incarnate God, is the vine upon which we grow, the branches that flow from the source of God's life.

Giving up our will to God's can be a painful endeavor. It is not easy to set our own desires and wants aside and allow God to step in and direct and guide our growth. But this is the only way to prevent deadly weeds from overtaking us and bringing us to a place of self-destruction. God's commandments are the very guideposts and benchmarks we need, yet many seek to remove them from all public view because they appear to limit self-expression and suppress what is considered by many to be "human freedom." They are the only way we can find freedom, however. And, until we learn this fundamental lesson, we will continue to spiral out of control, never really knowing who we are, what our potential can be or how life really can be lived. We will not know peace.

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**School Year 2021-2021 Openings** | Three quarter time custodian/facilities manager; part-time music position; band instructor; part-time middle school math position; anticipated opening for an elementary teacher. Please send letter, resume, and the names of three references to nancy.naimey@portlanddiocese.org.

**Saint James School Endowment Funds** | A savings account for the school and support for scholarships. Please contact The Catholic Foundation of Maine to make a donation or to remember us in your estate planning. Let us be sure that we always have a Catholic school in the area by supporting this outreach of Good Shepherd Parish; as we prepare for the future, we build upon the faith and sacrifice of our ancestors, creating hope. Contact the Catholic Foundation of Maine, Elizabeth Badger, executive director: 321-7800 or Elizabeth.badger@catholicfoundationmaine.org.

**Consider St. James Preschool** | Does your preschool have licensed teachers? Do the children learn about their faith? Are they taught by certified teachers? Do they have art, music, P.E., French and library each week? Are they part of a bigger school community and take part in all the special events of the school? Does your preschool have an award-winning lunch program offering fresh fruits and vegetables each day? If not, consider Saint James Preschool for your child.

## Healthy Community



Saint James School held its annual Health Fair in the school yard with presentations from various folks from the community. Cohorts visited all the stations on a rotating basis and a good time was had by all.

## FAITH FORMATION

**Marriage Preparation** | Marriage is a beautiful gift from God and it gives us great joy to help couples prepare for a joy-filled marriage in the church. If you are engaged to be married, or are married civilly and wish to marry in the Catholic Church, please contact us to begin your preparations by calling Liz at 282-3321.

**Baptism Preparation** | Are you presently expecting a child or seeking Baptism for your infant? We rejoice with you who are preparing for the Baptism of your child! FMI, contact: Donna Caron at 207-282-3321 x113, donna.caron@portlanddiocese.org, or www.goodshepherdparish.us. Sacraments/Baptism Baptisms are scheduled after the preparation process is completed by the parents.

**Becoming Catholic, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** | Are you or someone you know .... Experiencing God's call but not sure how to respond? Participating in Mass but have never completed Sacraments of Initiation? Interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith? We invite you to explore and learn more about the Catholic faith. FMI, call Donna Caron at 282-3321 x113.

### Family Faith Formation Grades 1-5

Meets 2 Sundays a month at Most Holy Trinity Hall, 9-10am; Upcoming in-person sessions: May 2, Children attend grade level classes while parents participate in adult

teaching and discussion.

FMI: michelle.philbrick@portlanddiocese.org | 282-3321 x115

### Junior High Formation/Ministry Grades 6-7-8

Meets Tuesdays at St. Joseph Hall, 6:30-8pm, May 4, 11.

EDGE program, including community building activities, hands on learning of Catholic tradition, small group discussions on issues and teachings, and prayer.

FMI: michelle.philbrick@portlanddiocese.org | 282-3321 x115

### High School Youth Ministry

Meets Sundays at Most Holy Trinity, HSYM Meeting. Journey to Emmaus program, social activities, discussion and application of Catholic traditions and teachings, and prayer

FMI: emily.amann@portlanddiocese.org | 282-3321 x117

### Nor'easter Catholic UNE

CATHOLIC UNDERGROUND Sundays 7-8:30 PM via Zoom for this semester. Join us for an evening of prayer & fellowship

FMI: elliot.hachey@portlanddiocese.org for Zoom link.



MISCELLANEOUS

**Baby bottle drive** | The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the annual Baby Bottle Drive again this year. You can pick up your bottle at any Good Shepherd Mass the weekend of Mother's Day (May 8 and 9). Continue to collect loose change and return the bottles and money the weekend of Father's Day (June 19 and 20). All money collected will be donated to Knights of Columbus life saving organizations. COVID-19 protocols will be followed. Any questions, call Guy at 205-4271 or Dennis at 286-6101. Thank you! .

**Silver and Gold Mass** | Catholics celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries of one year (married during the pandemic), 25 years, or 50 or more years are invited to participate in the annual Silver & Gold Mass, led by Bishop Robert Deeley, on Saturday, June 19, at 4 p.m. at the Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul in Lewiston. The Mass will also be livestreamed at [www.princeofpeace.me](http://www.princeofpeace.me). Marriage establishes a holy covenant among three: one man, one woman, and God. This Mass is a testimony to the goodness of Christian marriage and the blessings it can bring. Bishop Deeley will offer a special blessing to all married couples in attendance and those participating via livestream as part of the celebration. FMI, including a flyer and a link to register, visit [www.portlanddiocese.org/off/silver-gold-mass](http://www.portlanddiocese.org/off/silver-gold-mass).

**Ad rep sought** | Harvest, the bimonthly magazine of the Diocese of Portland, seeks a sales representative to secure businesses and organizations for advertising in the magazine, helping them to realize their potential by reaching readers across Maine. The position is part-time

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Conveniently, WESHARE donors may also self-serve from their account to obtain giving/donation records directly without parish assistance. Be advised: All Souls donations are non-deductible since a Mass is given for those intentions.

To receive envelopes, please contact the parish office. THANK YOU ALL in advance for your cooperation and generosity.

and pay is commission-based. To apply, send a cover letter, resume, and references to: Lois Czerniak, Editor, Harvest magazine, 510 Ocean Ave., Portland, ME 04103-4936. Interested parties can also email their materials or questions to [lois.czerniak@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:lois.czerniak@portlanddiocese.org).

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