

# Good Shepherd Parish

June 20, 2021

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## 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!"  
The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them,  
"Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" - Mk 4:39-40

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

ELP

**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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OOB, ME 04064

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40 Lester B. Orcutt Blvd.  
Biddeford Pool, ME 04006

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

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

Blessed Natalia Tulasiewicz

By Fr. Brad Morin

Natalia Tulasiewicz was born in Poland on April 9, 1906. She went to college, studied music and received a teaching degree. She was a very devout Catholic and became a lay apostolate, a person who serves to evangelize the Word of God but is not a consecrated religious.

She was engaged for seven years. However, she ended the relationship after her fiancé became an atheist and a communist. She knew it was God's will: "I am on a path to a new era in my life, a path that is difficult but worthwhile. Now I love life more than ever before. I have always loved it in God, but today I desire in the fullest sense to live in God!"

In September 1939, Nazi Germany invaded Poland. Germans threatened to eradicate Polish culture and reduce them to a life of servitude. Many families, including Natalia's, were forced to leave their homes and live in transit camps. Natalia became part of the Polish Underground State, which held secret meetings to resist German occupation. She was also part of the underground education in order to preserve Polish culture and to prepare children for life after the war.

Her underground connections were run by priests. They taught her to

care for people spiritually, emotionally and intellectually. In 1943, Natalia volunteered to join female forced laborers working in a German factory. Her secret mission was to uplift these women with education, religious studies, prayer and song. Sadly, a year later, she was found out, arrested and tortured. Though she was beaten and bloodied so badly, she never divulged the names of those who organized the underground state. She wrote that she did not feel humiliated by the Germans. Instead, she felt supported by God.



Finally, she was sent to Ravensbrück concentration camp. Her health was failing but still, she resumed helping fellow prisoners through literary meetings and prayer. She believed she would die and understood it was the will of God. "I have the courage to become a saint. Only holiness is the fullest form of love, and so I don't just want but must become a saint..." On Palm Sunday, 1945, she led a religious service in the concentration camp. On Good Friday, she evangelized about the Passion of Christ. The next day, the Germans murdered her in the gas chamber. Two days after her death, the Russians liberated the Ravensbrück concentration camp.

Natalia Tulasiewicz is one of the only two lay women among the 108 Martyrs of World War II, beatified on June 13, 1999, by Pope John Paul II.

### LET US PRAY

**Rest in Peace** | Mark Monroe (born 1970)  
Harry "Bud" Nelson (born 1950) | Irene Caron (born 1913)  
Reinette Burke (born 1928) | John Burke (born 1932)  
Patricia Jackson (born 1946) | Mary Ann Kotros (born 1949)

**The Sanctuary Lamps are burning this week at Most Holy Trinity, St. Joseph, St. Margaret, and St. Philip** | *in memory of Ozea & Lydia Houde, Raymond & Therese Blais, Renald Landry, and Rita Howe.*

#### Apostolate of Prayer for Priests | June 2021

20. Bishop Emeritus Joseph J. Gerry OSB
21. Rev. Maciej Pawlowski, Rev. Richard P. Rice
22. Rev. Albert B. Colpitts, Rev. James L. Nadeau
23. Rev. Joseph R. McKenna, Rev. Andrew Bisson OFM
24. Rev. Jacob C. George, Rev. Aurelijus Gričius OFM
25. Msgr. Charles M. Murphy, Rev. Frank J. Murray
26. Rev. James R. Roy MM, Rev. Robert J. Levens SJ

*Let us also pray for our Deacons and Seminarians.*

**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel** | The devotion of giving time to spend before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament has been a well-established tradition in Good Shepherd Parish. We are blessed to have access to the Adoration Chapel at 27 Thornton Ave. in Saco. The mask mandate has been lifted, but the chapel is currently open to scheduled adorers only, at this time. We are appealing for more adorers so that we can get back to perpetual adoration. Thanks to hundreds of scheduled adorers, this chapel continues to keep open its

#### Clergy

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

doors; but it needs a continuing amount of new adorers to keep the chapel active. Seriously consider becoming a scheduled adorer. Please consider committing to an hour with Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament. Below are the hours of greatest need:

\*Wednesday 3am \*Friday 2am \*Saturday 3am, 9am

Please contact one of the division leaders listed below for more information or if you are interested in becoming a scheduled adorer or a substitute: 12am-6am Steven Plante - 283-0782; 6am-12pm Priscilla Welch - 710-1913; 12pm-6pm Lucille Simard - 284-7627; 6pm-12am Virginia Calvo - 432-1151.

**Vocation** | "Why are you terrified? Why are you lacking in faith?" If God is calling you, don't let fear stop you. (Mark 4:35-41). 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

**Intercession** | That Catholic fathers will teach their children to walk by faith and encourage them to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

### COLLECTIONS

**Offertory at Daily Mass** | During COVID we began the practice of taking an Offertory Collection at the Weekday Mass to allow parishioners to continue to support the parish without having to mail it to the office. Now that COVID restrictions are being removed the weekday collection will be dropped as well, starting on June 1. Thank you for your continued support.

**Special Collection This Weekend** | Special Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Your donation to this diocesan collection helps to bring the Gospel to reach millions through the internet, radio, TV and print media.

PARISH LITURGIES | MASS INTENTIONS

Sacrament of Reconciliation | Beginning June 12, confessions will resume prior to the Saturday Masses: St. Margaret, 3pm; Most Holy Trinity, 3pm; St. Philip 3:30pm. Drive up confession at St. Joseph will no longer be available.

Saturday, June 19:

- 4:00 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass (Livestreamed): Lucie Bertrand (1st Ann.)
4:00 pm St. Margaret Mass: Thomas J. Kane (5th Ann.)
4:30 pm St Philip Mass: Paul E. Lambert

Sunday, June 20 | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Theresa Sparkowich
8:30 am St. Margaret Mass: Vivien C. & James J. Sullivan
9:00 am St. Philip Mass: For All People in Good Shepherd Parish
9:30 am St. Brendan Mass: Barbara Burgess Ellis
10:30 am Most Holy Trinity Mass: Donald Wilson
11:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Joseph Robert Lachance (1st Ann.)

Monday, June 21

- 6:00 pm St. Joseph Mass: Ozea & Lydia Houde

Tuesday, June 22

- 9:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Lillian M. Gardner

Wednesday, June 23

- 6:00 pm St. Joseph Mass: Linda Tardif

Thursday, June 24

- 9:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Theresa & Walter Sparkowich

Friday, June 25

- 9:00 am St. Brendan Mass: Ruth & Harvey Tracy

Saturday, June 26:

- 4:00 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass (Livestreamed): Mary Agnes St. Pierre (1st Ann.)
4:00 pm St. Margaret Mass: Rosa Dube
4:30 pm St Philip Mass: Rochelle Corliss

Sunday, June 27 | Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Beverly Glaude
8:30 am St. Margaret Mass: Mark Lavigne
9:00 am St. Philip Mass: Thomas & Arline LeBlanc
9:30 am St. Brendan Mass: John F. & Marion H. McKiernan
10:30 am Most Holy Trinity Mass: For All People in Good Shepherd Parish
11:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Richard Cook (3rd Ann.)



NOTICES

Part Time Receptionist Position Opening | Good Shepherd Parish is seeking a part time receptionist. This position assists those who visit, telephone, or email the parish office and is responsible for facilitating inter-office communication and the coordination of office resources. Please send letter of interest and/or resume to Fr. Nadeau at Timothy.Nadeau@portlanddiocese.org.

Full time Maintenance/Custodian Job Opening | The parish is looking for someone familiar with building systems and facility mechanicals, light carpentry, and repairs, and able to do general handy man duties. This person will perform routine parish maintenance and cleaning duties and may be needed some evenings and weekends. You will also schedule and oversee alarm inspections, routine service and maintenance calls for HVAC and elevator equipment. This person will supervise / coordinate other maintenance and custodial staff in the performance of their duties to ensure parish ministries, functions, and events are made ready and returned to normal order afterwards. Hours will generally be 35 hours per week, Monday – Friday. Winter season will require some pre-Mass maintenance on weekends. The job would support all parish buildings and properties.

Ideally, this is a person of faith who would like to use his skills, experience, and talents supporting the physical operations of the church. To apply, email GoodShepherd@portlanddiocese.org, with position title in subject line and resume.

SHEPHERDS OF HOPE

Shepherds of Hope pledges | June marks the start of the 3rd year since of we started the Shepherds of Hope Capital Campaign. We are just short of 75% of our goal so we still are looking for more support. Project work is underway or being completed at most church sites. Please help if you can. If you have already donated, please consider doing so again if you are able. There are many projects still to do. Send donations 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.

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Current totals | 787 household gifts , pledges | \$1,490,663 | 74% of goal Cash collected, available for projects as of April 30 | \$848,715

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/. 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.

COMMUNITY

**The Assumptionists, Augustinians of the Assumption, to visit GSP**

As part of the diocesan Missions Cooperative Plan, Good Shepherd is happy to welcome Rev. Dennis Gallagher, A. A., and Rev. Richard Lamoureux, A. A., the weekend of June 26 and 27.

The Venerable Emmanuel d’Alzon founded the Assumptionists in Nimes, France in 1850. He gave them as a motto “Thy Kingdom Come” to underline that “the coming of the reign of Jesus Christ for ourselves and for our neighbor is what we propose before everything else.” We are to achieve this “by our complete submission, not only to the teaching of the Church, but also to the spirit of such teaching.” (d’Alzon)

Any work which fosters the extension of the Kingdom falls within the spirit of our works of education at the secondary and college levels, pilgrimages, ecumenism, parish ministry, missions and journalism. Bayard Press publishes in the US “Catholic Digest” and “Living with Christ.”

Presently they number some 900 priests and brothers working in 30 countries. They are renewing their ministry in Russia, Bulgaria, and Romania. Three Bulgarian Assumptionists, martyred by the communists in 1952, were beatified by Pope John Paul II in Plovdiv, Bulgaria on May 26, 2002. They perform specialized ministries in

Greece, Turkey, Israel, and Madagascar. The African province includes the Congo, Kenya, and Tanzania. In South America we work in Colombia, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, and Ecuador. They also help staff a mission in Korea and Vietnam. In January 2006 they opened a new mission in Manila in the Philippines.

The Province of North America is specifically responsible for the missions in East Africa (Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda), Mexico and the Philippines. They provide personnel and financial assistance that is indispensable in order to maintain their charitable works (schools and nurseries) and formation programs for both laity and clergy in these countries. Many of the apostolates in these countries specifically work to better the living conditions of the impoverished brothers and sisters they live with and minister to. In the Philippines, they sponsor education and aid programs for underprivileged villages both in the Manilla area and in other mission centers. Their newly founded parish in Orizaba, Veracruz Mexico, ministers to an underserved indigenous community.

They apply the proceeds of their Mission Appeals to the needs of our brothers in Mexico, East Africa and the Philippines. FMI about Augustinians of the Assumption, contact the Mission Office, info@assumption.us.

**Women of Virtue Women’s Group** | Meeting in person beginning July 10. As women we don’t typically take the time to do something for ourselves. We have a lot on our plate. We juggle household duties, kids, our spouse, job, and finances.

Where can we go for the friendship and the support we need? Women of Virtue, the Good Shepherd Parish women’s group, received permission to start meeting again on the second Saturday of every month beginning Saturday, July 10 from 7-8:30am. We will meet at Most Holy Trinity Youth Room. Come spend some time in prayer and fellowship while forming friendships with those in our faith community. Bring a coffee and join us! We look forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions, please email wovofgsp@gmail.com.

**Tootsie Roll Drive** | The OOB KC Council 2266 will have its spring Tootsie Roll Drive June 25-27 at the 7 Eleven and Landry’s Shop n Save in OOB, as well as after the Sunday 8:30am Mass at St. Marg-



ret Church. All proceeds raised will go toward Veterans No Boundaries, a unit of Maine Adaptive. FMI, visit [www.maineadaptive.org/veterans-no-boundaries](http://www.maineadaptive.org/veterans-no-boundaries). They very much appreciate your support.

**Saco Meals Program Board** | Thanks the many parishioners who recently expressed their sympathy to Doug Ellis, the Treasurer of SMP on the sudden loss of his wife, Barbara. Many also made donations to the SMP in her name. Barb was a regular volunteer with the program. Secondly, the board wants to announce that the twice weekly meals served for the many in need in our community will begin again on Aug. 2 with to-go meals. Also, we certainly could use a few volunteers willing to cook one of the Thursday meals as a few regulars are not able to continue. Each cook only cooks one day monthly and we have three weeks with that need. If you are interested please contact Schlaver@maine.rr.com. Thank you! Paul Schlaver, SMP Board President

GOSPEL MEDITATION

**June 20 | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

As we look at our lives and world events, do we ever find ourselves wondering if God is sleeping? After all, maybe God’s patient, unconditional love has run its course and He is finally fed up with humanity’s reluctance to accept the truth about who we are. God really can’t be that patient! All throughout human history, many have prayed to God for intervention or for particular needs. Because their prayers were not answered in the way they wanted or anticipated, they felt that God may have abandoned them. Were they right? It seems that we are continuing, at a rapid rate, down a path of destruction. Do you not care, God, that we may be perishing? When the boats of our lives are rocking and the seas tumultuous, we want to know that we have God’s attention. Even more so, we want God’s intervention.

Maybe the storms and the waves are necessary. If we listen, they can teach us valuable lessons. Without them, we would never learn that we have the strength to endure, understand the uselessness of fear and worry, or develop the ability to really trust. If God immediately rushed in and simply calmed things down before they got difficult, what good would that really be? We would miss opportunities to

learn how to drink more deeply of life, treasure its complexity, irony, and beauty and fully engage ourselves in surrendering to the love of our Creator. It is easy to walk on the surface of life without immersing ourselves in its messiness. Life has to burn its way through us in order to bring us to a place of secure trust. It’s unfortunate that some prefer a shallower journey.

That’s the balancing act that comes with faith. It is not God’s job to prevent us from encountering the torrential rains and winds of life. Many believe that if faith is done the right way, that God will provide for smooth sailing. That’s not how it works. God permits us to ride out the difficult stuff knowing that the storm will eventually be calmed. Do we not have faith that God will do this? True faith trusts in the steadfastness of God’s love when the seas are calm and when they are choppy. God’s unconditional loving presence shines through all of it and endures forever. Knowing this allows us to put our boats out into uncharted waters without hesitation. Knowing that we prefer the comfort and safety of what we know to be still waters, how do we feel when Jesus says, “Let us cross to the other side”?

SAINT JAMES SCHOOL



**Giving** | It is with sincere appreciation and gratitude that we thank the following for their contributions to Saint James School:

In memory of Lila Dionne *from James and Doris Lawrence*

In memory of Claire Downing *from James and Doris Lawrence*

In memory of Doris Nadeau to the Hot Lunch Program *from James and Doris Lawrence*

In memory of Roger Gagne *from Lisa and Thomas Gorman  
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In memory of Leigh Parenteau Lambert *from Joe Boissonneault and  
Estelle Beauchesne  
Douglas & Diane Desrosier*

In memory of Bernadette Courtois and Carmen Lowe for ice cream and goodies for students *from Joanne Minor*

In memory of Priscilla Cassette *from Jason Cassette*



# Field Day

St. James School students enjoyed the 2021 Field Day to wrap up a wonderful school year.

## FAITH FORMATION

**Vacation Bible School** | Our program will be June 21-25, 9-11:30am at Most Holy Trinity Hall. COVID safe. Limited attendance – first come, first-served. Registration now open at [goodshepherdparish.us/vacation-bible-school1](https://goodshepherdparish.us/vacation-bible-school1). FMI, [michelle.philbrick@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:michelle.philbrick@portlanddiocese.org)



**Totus Tuus** | Totus Tuus is a Catholic youth program for students from 1st through 12th grade dedicated to teaching the Gospel and deepening love for the Church through catechesis, prayer, Christian witness, and the sacraments. The program's strong emphasis on devotion and love for Christ in the Eucharist and for Mary, Mother of the Church, leads participants to an exhilarating encounter with the timeless treasures of the Catholic Faith. Through age-appropriate, dynamic, and faithful content presented each day, young people are motivated and equipped to live the radical call of the Gospel in today's world. FMI and to register, visit <https://portlanddiocese.org/vocations/register-totus-tuus>.

[www.totustuusmaine.org](http://www.totustuusmaine.org)

**Register your family online today!**

Children's Program: Mon-Fri, 9am-3pm  
Teen Program: Sun-Thurs, 7:30-9:30pm

**JUNE 20-25**  
St. Joseph Parish, Farmington  
St. John Vianney Parish, Fort Kent

**JUNE 27-JULY 2**  
St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Houlton  
Corpus Christi Parish, Waterville

**JULY 11-16**  
Parish of the Precious Blood, Caribou  
Good Shepherd Parish, Saco

**JULY 25-30**  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Windham  
St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Bangor

**AUGUST 1-6**  
Prince of Peace Parish, Lewiston  
All Saints Parish, Brunswick

<https://portlanddiocese.org/vocations/register-totus-tuus>

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center** | Most urgent needs: men's shorts size 32,34,36,38; men's underwear, boxers preferably, especially L, XL; women's shorts sizes 6, 8, 10, 12; women's underwear size 6,7; bug spray/wipes; sunscreen, SPF 50 or higher; new hats; sunglasses; shampoo; and conditioner. Please help the Social Justice Commission to give aid to our needy neighbors. A box for contributions will be located in each worship site.

**Maine Right to Life** | MRLC is a state affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee and is a nonprofit corporation. Founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human being, Maine Right to Life advocates at the state level for safe healthcare, supporting our most vulnerable, and protecting our seniors. It also helps provide resources to women in need. MRLC seeks to uphold the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by making abortion, infanticide, doctor-assisted suicide, and euthanasia socially, ethically, and legally unacceptable and to actively promote positive alternatives. They are seeking compassionate defenders and promoters and hope you will join them. To learn more, visit [www.mainerighttolife.com](http://www.mainerighttolife.com).

**Silent retreat** | July 18-23, Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, Biddeford. Facilitated by Deacon Fran Burke; Sister Aline Plante, p.m.; Sister Claire Gagnon, p.m.; and Sister Diane Dube, p.m. The cost is \$450 for a private retreat, \$500 for a directed retreat. FMI or to register, visit [www.mariejosephspiritual.org](http://www.mariejosephspiritual.org) or call 284-5671.

**Would you lend a hand to a priest in need?** | Retired priests in our area need assistance with household tasks to remain living independently in their homes. These are paid positions under the over-

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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.

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