

Good Shepherd Parish

August 22, 2021

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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

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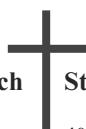
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Good Shepherd Parish mission | to call people to celebrate the life of Christ through Roman Catholic liturgy, education and acts of social justice throughout our diverse communities, fostering unity and making the Body of Christ visible to all.

Most Holy Trinity Church
Parish Office
271 Main St.
Saco, ME 04072



St. Margaret Church
6 Saco Ave.
OOB, ME 04064



St. Philip Church
404 Goodwins Mills Rd.
Lyman, ME 04002



St. Brendan Chapel
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

Pere (Peter) Tarrés i Claret

Pere (Peter) Tarrés i Claret was born on May 30, 1905, in Manresa, province of Barcelona, Spain, to Francesc Tarrés Puigdellivol and Carme Claret Masats. His parents were deeply religious, which was a positive influence for his two sisters, Francesca and Maria, who both entered the convent.

Pere had a very joyful and open spirit and loved nature and helping others. As a boy, he assisted at the local pharmacy and the shop owner, Josep Balaguer, encouraged him to continue his studies in medicine. In 1921 Pere transferred to Barcelona to study; he made the decision to follow his dream and one day become a doctor to help others.

During these years of study, Pere received spiritual direction from Fr Jaume Serra, a priest who encouraged him to enter the "Federation of Young Christians of Catalonia". This organization, which met regularly at the Oratory of St Philip Neri, worked for a renewal of the Christian spirit within society.

Pere was appointed President of the Federation, and with his openness and enthusiasm he knew how to give extraordinary "vigour" to the group. He was a beacon of good example for others, and his zeal motivated him to travel the roads of Catalonia in his little automobile (which he called his "instrument of work") as a lay missionary.

He spoke openly of God, the Church and Christian living to the youth and those who were gathered along the streets; he also assisted in the formation of new Federation groups.

His "secret" in the spiritual life was Eucharistic devotion and filial love toward the Mother of God. Pere maintained a written correspondence with many members of the Federation (of whose federal council he was later appointed vice-president) and wrote articles that were published in the Federation's weekly paper.

In addition to his work within this group, the young man was also involved in Catholic Action. In 1935 he was appointed vice-secretary of the new diocesan committee; he later became secretary of the archdiocesan committee, having received the recommendation of the Cardinal, Francesc Vidal y Barraquer of Tarragona.

A year later, having earned his degree in medicine, Pere began his residency in Barcelona. Here, together with Dr Gerardo Manresa, he founded a medical clinic for all those who needed assistance but could not afford it.



As a doctor, Pere was exemplary in his charity and life of piety. He never lost his habitual joy and was always available to help and speak to those who needed him. During the Spanish Civil War (July 1936–April 1939), Pere lived as a "refugee" in Barcelona because the persecution of Christians forced many into hiding; during this time, he prayed, read and studied.

In May 1938 he was forced to enter the Republican army to provide medical assistance; these were eight long months of suffering for Pere, and living through the horrors of war probed deep into his soul. Day after day he wrote about his life on the battle front in his "War Diary".

The war experience and assistance given to the wounded and dying made Pere understand the necessity for "spiritual assistance" and he felt that God was calling him to be a "doctor of souls" by entering the priesthood. As a result, he entered the Seminary of Barcelona on Sept. 29, 1939 and was ordained a priest on May 30, 1942.

Fr. Pere began by serving as a parochial vicar at the Parish of St. Stephen Sesrovile, and a year later he was sent to the Pontifical University of Salamanca to study theology.

After he earned his degree in 1944, Fr. Pere returned to Barcelona where he dedicated much of his time to Catholic Action, as well as providing spiritual assistance to religious congregations and material and spiritual help to the sick, especially the poorest of the poor. He also served as the diocesan delegate for the Protection of Women and as spiritual director of the "Magdalen Hospital" for female prostitutes.

Fr. Pere lived his days to the full and had little time for rest; nonetheless, he carried out all his activity in peaceful recollection and a prayerful spirit. Everyone who came into contact with him was left with the impression that he was a very holy priest who truly cared, sacrificing himself for the spiritual and physical well-being of all, particularly the most desolate.

At the beginning of 1950, Fr. Pere noticed that his health was deteriorating; shortly thereafter, he was diagnosed with lymphatic cancer. He accepted his illness and offered it up for the sanctification of priests, resolved to die "as a good priest."

Fr. Pere said that it was a "joy to have the possibility to be a priest and to die in a continual act of love and suffering... worthy of the Heavenly Father".

Fr. Pere died on Aug. 31, 1950, in the clinic that he founded. He was 45 years old.

LET US PRAY

Rest in Peace | Alfred Gobeil (born 1924)

Paulette St. Ours (born 1945) | Dorothy Lamothe (born 1935)

Donald Daigneault (born 1936) | Joan Lamirande (born 1937)

Blanche Ryan (born 1920) | Rev. Renald Labarre (born 1934)

Theresa Flaherty (born 192)

The Sanctuary Lamps are burning this week at Most Holy Trinity, St. Joseph, St. Margaret, and St. Philip | In memory of Louise Sutton, Nick Curro, Sr., Cecilia Berube, and Gerard Belanger.

Vocation | "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." Choose to follow and serve God with your whole life. (John 6:60-69). 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;

Website: www.portlanddiocese/vocations; Facebook: VocationsME

Intercession | That trusting Christ, the Word of eternal life, all men

Clergy

Fr. Timothy Nadeau, Pastor

Rev. Dominic Tumusiiime, AJ, Parochial Vicar

Deacons Robert Parenteau | Kevin Jacques | Rick Huot

and women called to follow the Lord as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers will be faithful to his invitation, we pray to the Lord.

Apostolate of Prayer for Priests | August 2021

- 22. Bishop Emeritus Joseph J. Gerry OSB
 - 23. Rev. Athanasius S. Wirsiy, Rev. John P. Davis
 - 24. Rev. Raymond Picard, Rev. Edward R. Clifford
 - 25. Rev. David E. Schlaver CSC, Rev. Philip P. Cyr
 - 26. Rev. Stephen M. Mulkern, Rev. Augustin Sebasthiyan HGN
 - 27. Rev. Raymond P. Morency, Msgr. J. Joseph Ford
 - 28. Rev. Prabu Magimaidass HGN, A.N. Rev. Harold D. Moreshead
- Let us also pray for our Deacons and Seminarians.*

COLLECTIONS

Second Collection This Weekend | Priest and employee benefits. Employers continue to experience significantly higher health care costs, and the parish is no different. This is an area of great concern because of its impact on budgets, staffing decisions and human resource administration. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

NOTICES

Parish Buildings and Grounds | When you happen to be driving by the church, the parish would like your help keeping watch on our properties and reporting any suspicious or inappropriate activity you see to police in your community. If you see trespassing and loitering on parish grounds that can be a harbinger to problems requiring additional maintenance and or repair work. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

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.

PARISH LITURGIES | MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 21:

4:00 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass (Livestreamed): Guy Baillargeon (1st Ann.)

4:00 pm St Philip Mass: Andy Bergeron

6:00 pm St. Margaret Mass: Chip Beauchaine

Private Mass Intentions: Therese Lizotte (1st Ann.)

Sunday, August 22 | Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Lucille Fennell & Theresa Boissonault

9:00 am St. Margaret Mass: Lance & Clint Escott

9:00 am St. Philip Mass: For All People in Good Shepherd Parish

9:30 am St. Brendan Mass: Sr. Marita Pelleter (2nd Ann.)

11:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Frances & Leo Martel

5:30 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass: Suzanne Boufford

Monday, August 23

6:00 pm St. Joseph Mass: Lillian M. Gardner (1st Ann.)

Tuesday, August 24

9:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Mary & Stephen Gilman

Wednesday, August 25

6:00 pm St. Joseph Mass: Eddie Lemire

Thursday, August 26

9:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Lydia Houde (28th Ann.)

Friday, August 27

9:00 am St. Brendan Mass: Lena Compagna

Saturday, August 28:

4:00 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass (Livestreamed): Vince Pribish (1st Ann.)

4:00 pm St Philip Mass: Louise Sutton

6:00 pm St. Margaret Mass: Rita Bureau (32nd Ann.)

Sunday, August 29 | Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Michael Binette (1st Ann.)

9:00 am St. Margaret Mass: Vivien C. & James J. Sullivan

9:00 am St. Philip Mass: Stephanie & Nelson Paradis *

9:30 am St. Brendan Mass: John & Molly Brady

11:00 am St. Joseph Mass: Robert "Bob" Mathieu

5:30 pm Most Holy Trinity Mass: For All People in Good Shepherd Parish

Parking | Reminder to all parishioners attending Mass at St. Margaret on Aug. 29: Please be aware of the Ironman Race in OOB. There will be some traffic and congestion along the race course. Access to the Church from Cascade and Portland Avenue will be difficult. Please allow some extra time to arrive at Mass on time.

SHEPHERDS OF HOPE

Shepherds of Hope pledges | June marks the start of the 3rd year since we opened the Shepherds of Hope Capital Campaign. We are just short of 75% of our goal so we are looking for more support.

Project work is underway or being completed at most church sites with many projects still to do. Please help if you can. If you have already donated, please consider doing so again, if you are able. Send donations to: Good Shepherd Parish, 271 Main St., Saco 04072.

Note | Any checks or cash can be dropped in weekend 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 | 789 household gifts , pledges | \$1,492,228 | 74% of goal
Cash collected, available for projects as of July 31 | \$897,299

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.

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.



COMMUNITY

Pregnancy Centers Benefit from Knights of Columbus Drive

A baby bottle drive held at churches in Biddeford, Saco, Old Orchard Beach, and Lyman raised over \$7,300, with more still trickling in, for future mothers to understand the humanity of the unborn and choose life over abortion.

The drive was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and parishioners at Good Shepherd Parish (comprised of Most Holy Trinity Church, Saco; St. Joseph Church, Biddeford; St. Margaret Church, Old Orchard Beach; St. Philip Church, Lyman; and St. Brendan Chapel, Biddeford Pool) responded by collecting loose change and paper money to stuff in baby bottles for donation to local pregnancy resource centers.

"Proceeds from the collection will be donated to the Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center in Sanford and ABBA in Portland," said Guy Cadorette of the Knights of Columbus. "If anyone still has funds they want to donate, they can call (207) 205-4271."

For over 25 years, the Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center, located on Washington Street in Sanford, has offered a safe and confidential haven to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. The center is commit-

ted to serving all clients in a caring manner regardless of age, race, income, religion, nationality, or disability.

ABBA, located on Forest Avenue in Portland, is a medically certified women's pregnancy resource center that offers pregnancy testing, obstetrical ultrasounds, STD testing and treatment, consultations, and women's health education. The centers offer services free and confidentially.

The baby bottle drive is one of the many ways in which councils of the Knights of Columbus contribute and support this cause. Since 2009, ultrasound initiatives have allowed the Knights of Columbus across the country to purchase over 1000 ultrasound machines at a cost of over \$50 million. The machines have been placed in pro-life pregnancy care centers in all 50 states, including several centers in Maine

like First Step Pregnancy Resource Center in Bangor, ABBA in Portland, Hope House in Lewiston, Alpha Resource Center in Sanford, and Care Net pregnancy centers in Brunswick and Rockland.

- Compiled by Dave Guthro, Communications Director, Portland Diocese.



Bean Supper | 5-6:30pm, Saturday, Aug. 28, 5-6:30pm, Most Holy Trinity Church Hall, Main Street, Saco. Supper includes beans and American chop suey, beverage and dessert. Donations accepted and proceeds will benefit the Knights of Columbus Charity Fund. Hosted by St. Joseph Council #12941, Knights of Columbus. FMI, contact Jerry Letellier at gletellier@maine.rr.com or 590-2260.

St. Brendan Chapel Update | We celebrate 105 years of worship in the Chapel this year with our patron saint, St. Brendan, the Navigator on Friday, August 20 at the 9 am Mass. But time is beginning to take a toll on the building. Two large windows above the Sanctuary desperately need to be replaced and the Gaelic cross atop the building has come tumbling down! Donations toward these repairs are being

accepted; no donation is too small. If you would like to contribute, put your donation in an envelope and mark it St. Brendan Truman Fund and place it in the collection basket.

Your most important work may be after you retire | Would you like to make a significant contribution with your life to the lives of others? The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is a national organization, now open in Portland, that offers adult men and women the opportunity to share their life skills and wisdom in service to the poor. IVC Portland Service Corps Members commit to work in social service organizations, schools, and non-profits for 1 to 2 days per week. FMI, visit: www.ivcusa.org/Portland and contact Kathy Crosson, IVC Portland Regional Director at 808-8029.

DISCIPLESHIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation Time Changes | Confessions are held prior to the following Masses: 3-3:45pm Saturday, prior to 4pm St. Philip; 3-3:45pm Saturday, prior to 4pm Most Holy Trinity; 4:30-5:15pm Sunday, prior to 5:30pm Most Holy Trinity. Due to travel after Saturday 4pm Masses, we are unable to offer Confession prior to the 6pm Mass at St. Margaret. You may also make an appointment for Confession by calling 207-282-3321.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel | The chapel is currently open Tuesday – Saturday and the capacity has been increased to 4 people allowing for drop ins between the hours of 6am-8pm. Between 8pm-6am remains scheduled adorers and their invited guests only. Please consider committing to spending 1 hour a week in the Eucharistic presence of Christ. The following hours are in need of scheduled adorers: Wednesday, 11am, 1pm; Thursday, 4am, 1pm, 2pm, 10pm; Friday, 2am; Saturday 3am, 10am, 4pm, 10pm. FMI, contact Steve Plante, 283-0782.

Daily Rosary Recitations | St. Anne's Chapel, 6pm nightly, Sunday

through Saturday.

Rosary recital for the Unborn | 6pm every Tuesday, at the Knights of Columbus Monument, St. Joseph Cemetery. FMI, contact Don Maurice, 286-7410 or donaldmaurice47@gmail.com.

St. Margaret Mass Ministries Invitation | Have you always wanted to help out at Mass but not sure what you could do or thought that someone would say, "We are all set and you are probably not needed - We need you! St. Margaret Church needs sacristans for Saturday and Sunday Masses. What is a sacristan? The sacristan prepares the materials necessary for the celebration of the Mass: the books, the vessels, the bread, and the wine. Training and guidance are provided. Greeters are also needed for the Saturday Mass at St. Margaret. Greeters welcome people to Mass, help them find a seat if needed, handing out bulletins, counting parishioners as needed, and bidding them farewell when the Mass concludes. Training and guidance are provided for both ministries. Contact Liz Williams with questions: Elizabeth.Williams@portlanddiocese.org or 282-3321 x110.

FAITH FORMATION

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Michelle Philbrick
207-282-3321 x115

Do you have or know a child in Grade 1- 5?

Children in these grade levels are *brimming* with questions and ideas about God, His creation, and His people; we'd love to accompany them - and you - for this journey of faith!

Our program offers grade level sessions and activities, materials for at-home lessons, community building opportunities, teachings, explanations, and discussions for adults.

Please visit our website (goodshepherdparish.us/registration) to register, contact michelle.philbrick@portlanddiocese.org.



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 Sacra-

ments 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 | For families with children in grades PreK -5. This program includes preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion for children. We meet twice a month on Sundays and provide at-home materials for alternate weeks, each month from September thru April. We offer coffee and adult teaching and discussions while the children are in age/grade appropriate classes. FMI, contact michelle.philbrick@portlanddiocese.org | 282-3321 x115

Lifelong Formation

Please watch for details regarding our upcoming fall series intended for adults.

Diocesan Wide Adult Faith Formation Echoes of Faith®

We invite Catholics across the state of Maine to participate in Echoes of Faith® program.

Echoes of Faith® is made up of 11 modules which help participants to discover the truth, goodness, and beauty of the Catholic faith while giving the skills to articulate their faith to others. The Office of Lifelong Faith Formation allows participants to choose between two tracks; the community track or the self-paced track.

Those in the community track complete the modules follow the order of modules set by the OLFF staff, complete one module in a 2-month timeframe (finishing all modules in a 24-month time period) and attend the opening and closing gatherings at the beginning and end of each module. Echoes of Faith® can be used to obtain basic catechist certification.

If one is seeking to earn basic catechist certification, they must be enrolled in the community track. Those enrolled in the self-paced track are free to chart their own course. The modules are available to them for 12-18 months (24 months if needed).

For more information go to: <https://portlanddiocese.org/olff/echoing-faith>. Participants must register through their parish.

ABIDE: Youth Ministry Day of Reflection is This Fall

ABIDE, a day of reflection for high school youth in Maine to relate, pray, receive, and witness will be held in three locations this fall:

Brunswick

St. John's Community Center
Saturday, October 30
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bangor

St. John Church
Sunday, October 31
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Presque Isle

St. Mary Church
Sunday, November 7
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Participants can register through their parish youth ministry or faith formation program. The cost is \$20 and includes a lunch and a T-shirt. For more information, contact Shawn Gregory, the coordinator of youth ministry for the Diocese of Portland, at 321-7813 or shawn.gregory@portlanddiocese.org.

MISCELLANEOUS

Saco Meals Program | Volunteers sought 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.

Kitchen helper needed | Marie Joseph Spiritual Center. Call 284-5671 and ask for Sr. Sue or email suebourret@hotmail.com.

Retreat, "Diverse Perspectives" | Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, Biddeford, Sept. 19-24. During a six-day retreat, "Diverse Perspectives," Sister Helen Santamaria & Deacon Fran Burke will share the lessons they learned about God and life during time they spent in Nebraska and Iowa, walking hundreds of miles together over four summers. The cost is \$560. FMI or to register, visit www.mariejosephspiritual.org or call 284-5671.

"Using Watercolor as Prayer" | Aug. 30-Sept. 1, Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, Biddeford. The familiar prayers of surrender, release, and/or letting go are enhanced using watercolors, since you cannot 'control' watercolors. The cost is \$260 for those staying at the center for the weekend or \$140 for commuters. FMI or to register, visit www.mariejosephspiritual.org or call 284-5671.

"Breathing with Both Lungs" | September 24-26, Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, Biddeford. A weekend retreat on the Eastern and Western Catholic traditions will be led by Fr. Jim Savage. The retreat will be rooted in the Eastern spiritual tradition with a focus on the theory and practice of Prayer of the Heart. The cost is \$260 for those staying overnight and \$140 for commuters. FMI or to register, call (284-5671.

PARTNERS

Please be aware that the parish office can only track your offertory donations in our Parish Database when you use Offertory Envelopes or WESHARE (our online giving service). All donations received through your envelopes or WESHARE are recorded to your member account.

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. It is helpful to register in the parish beforehand, and you may do that online at: <https://goodshepherdparish.us/become-a-member> or call the office at 282-3321 to request a paper copy. THANK YOU ALL in advance for your cooperation and generosity.

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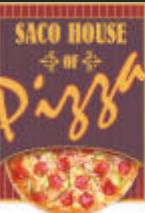
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