



# The Good Shepherd Parish

*The Good Shepherd Parish is a Catholic community rooted in the Gospel where all are invited to encounter Christ, grow in holiness, and proclaim His Good News to the world.*

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## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 12 February – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm

- † Cletus and Alice Downey requested by the family
- † Gene and Vivian Lusignan requested by Dr. G.M. Lusignan

#### Sunday 13 February – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am

For our parishioners

11:15 am

- † Marcel Côté requested by Fern Casey
- † Arthur Niero requested by the Knights of Columbus 9005
- † Michael Nortey requested by the Knights of Columbus 9005
- † Barry Loma requested by the Knights of Columbus 9005

#### Tuesday 15 February

9:00 am

Intentions of Elvira Delos Santos on her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday requested by Marilou Storie and family

- † Francis Jeyanandakumar requested by the family

#### Wednesday 16 February | No intention

2:30 pm Mass at Chapel Hill Retirement Home

#### Thursday 17 February | No intention

#### Friday 18 February

9:00 am

Intention of Jose and Erin requested by the Trujillo family

- † Bernadine Lauzon requested by the Dunham family

#### Saturday 19 February – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm

Mass of Special Intentions requested by Myrna Andrews  
Intentions of Sandy McIsaac requested by Myrna Andrews

#### Sunday 20 February – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am

- † Lina Blancaver requested by Dem and Flo Magmanlac

11:15 am

For our parishioners

### Update from the Finance Council:

The Finance Council met in January to review the interim financial results for the 2021 calendar year. (Final results are being calculated.) 2021 was a challenging year, as the parish ran a deficit of \$17,210.

In terms of revenues, collections from masses were below 2020 level, while our PAC and credit card donations remained very close to 2020 levels. The introduction of the Canada Helps online donation option, as well as the funds received from the Government of Canada through the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy were very important for the parish this past year. The wage subsidy has expired, but in total, the parish received over \$37,000 in funding through this measure. Overall, revenues were roughly \$30,000 lower in 2021 than in 2020.

Operating expenditures were also lower in 2021 – \$25,000 below 2020 levels. Expenditures were lower across all categories – administration, utilities and maintenance, Diocesan Tax, and interest and bank charges. The replacement of the carpets in the rectory with hardwood was the only major extraordinary expense in 2021. As we have reported before, we are still watching the heating unit for the social space and main entrance, but as long as this continues to work, we will continue with it.

In terms of the overall financial position of the parish, our mortgage balance has declined to \$259,168, and will be paid off completely at the end of 2024. The parish continues to hold just under \$36,000 in deposits with the Diocese. These deposits continue to grow as the Diocese pays 3.5% interest on the funds.

The year end financial report will be posted on the parish web site in March. The Diocese requires that the parish prepare a balanced budget at the start of every year. This will be complicated by the ongoing pandemic and its impact on masses – particularly Easter and Christmas.

Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish. Please remember that you can make donations at the parish or online from the parish website.

Faithfully yours,

Sean Keenan

Chair, Good Shepherd Finance Council

Please note that days with no time indicated are when Masses are celebrated by Fr. Virgil in private; any intentions for these Masses are prayed for and honoured by Fr. Virgil at these liturgies.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Available 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.

Please call Fr. Virgil at

613-824-4394, ext 2.

When attending Mass in church, if you have hearing challenges, please tune into **100.7 FM** on your radio to pray along.

## Youth Group is Online!

Youth in Grades 6-12!

The Good Shepherd Youth Group will meet

**ONLINE: Friday, 18 February 2022!**

From 7-8:00 pm for fellowship and fun.

Please email Kate Keenan, Youth Ministry Coordinator at [youth@thegoodshepherdparish.com](mailto:youth@thegoodshepherdparish.com) to obtain the Zoom link and for more information.

Hope to see you online,

**Friday 18 February!**



### Knight's Corner Council 9005 Good Shepherd Parish



In 1 Kings 17:14, we read, "Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth". This phrase, "man of God", appears often in the Bible. But what is a man of God? He is one who walks according to the Spirit. He avoids vices such as pride, envy, and quarrelsomeness, and practices virtue such as godliness, faith, and love. In a word, he "fights the good fight" [Tim 6:1].

Recently, as the author was listening to City News Radio, the radio host spoke to Br. Knight Joe Thottungal and commended him for his work in feeding the hungry and less fortunate during the COVID-19 pandemic. Br. Joe is doing this in conjunction with [Food for Thought Ottawa](http://FoodforThoughtOttawa.com), which produces as many as 1,000 meals each weekday for those who are unable to cook for themselves. Recently, Br. Joe is being helped by several Knights from the Good Shepherd Council and their family members who are putting in volunteer hours each week doing food prep. Br. Joe and his fellow Knights surely provide an example of what it means to be a good Catholic gentleman – a man of God.

On another note, when Noah offered the sacrifice on the altar, God smelled the sweet odour of sacrifice and showed mercy and compassion to the human race. Likewise, on Sunday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, the Knights of the Good Shepherd Council are offering a mass for the intentions of SK Art Niero, SK Barry Loma, and SK Michael Nortey and pray for mercy and compassion on their departed souls.

James P. Tierney, K of C

## ASH WEDNESDAY

02 March 2022

Masses at 9am and 7 pm

Please remember that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence from meat. Also, Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.

### LENTEN WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday to Friday - 9:00 am

### MASS ON YOUTUBE

Our parish Sunday Mass will continue to be on The Good Shepherd Parish YouTube channel each Sunday. Select the link on our parish homepage:

<https://www.thegoodshepherdparish.com/>

Please share this information with your fellow parishioners, family and friends who are unable, for health reasons or church space limitations, to join us in the church.

### Act of Spiritual Communion

**My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.**

**I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.**

**Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace You as if You were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You.**

**Never permit me to be separated from You.**

**Amen.**

*Saint Alphonsus Liguori*

# Happy Valentine's Day!



## Collection of 05/06 February 2022

Envelopes .....	\$2345.00
Loose .....	\$269.00
PAC .....	\$2830.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b><u>\$5444.00</u></b>



**Thank you!**



*Please pray for those who have requested our prayers:*



Dee Careau	Joan Chesser	
Hilda Chow	Louise Clarke	
Piers Corsi	Doreen Dumont	Gene Frenco
Bruce Hodgins	Deacon Wayne Lee	Jean-Ella Lemire
Jean-Bernard Lindor	Yanick Lindor	Gloria Marshall
Joan Tompkins	Jean Scharf	Mary White



**SUNDAY OFFERING**  
ENVELOPES



**Your 2021 Charitable Tax Receipt is ready for pickup, along with your 2022 Sunday envelopes ...**

- For those contributing via Pre-Authorized Contribution (PAC), there is a box of Special Collection envelopes; and
- Boxes of the complete 2022 Sunday envelopes are available to be picked up for all those who are not registered for PAC; all boxes are on tables in the Church Cloak Room.

**Thank you very much for your kind and generous support.**



## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2022

*For religious sisters and consecrated women ~*

*We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.*



Miriam Centre

## EMPLOYMENT OPENING

**Director  
Miriam Centre**

Full-time position, **\*revised\* salary \$17/hour**, 32.5 hours/week. Miriam Centre, a Christian ministry, is seeking a compassionate pro-life person whose primary responsibility will be to help pregnant women and their families. Must be fluently bilingual (oral & written), have good knowledge and experience in management and computer skills. Job posting:

<https://miriamcentre.ca/contact-us/> .

Please submit resume to: Sr. Rita Lacelle, 107-1803 St. Joseph Blvd., Orléans, ON K1C 6E7 or [centremiriamcentre@gmail.com](mailto:centremiriamcentre@gmail.com).



## Good Shepherd Parish Conference of the SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Our parish conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP) invites you to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters, especially at this uncertain time. Financial and food donations are greatly appreciated. There is a box at the back of the church, including envelopes, for monetary donations and a box in the coat room for a collection of food supplies. Also, our SSVP team are always in need of volunteers to help us visit those in our community who are in need. You are welcome to visit the national SSVP website, at [www.ssvp.ca](http://www.ssvp.ca) for more information

**The Good Shepherd Conference** continues to provide outreach to those in need within our community and to other regions where help is needed. We have been carrying out visits and delivering food vouchers to numerous people. The larger donation bin (located in the church parking lot) is open, so any gently used goods that you may have are always needed and appreciated.

**We meet via Zoom every second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm (except July and August).** If you are interested in joining our team or wish to donate directly to the parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference, please contact Sharon Rideout, President, St. Vincent de Paul Conference at The Good Shepherd Parish via email at [rideouts@rogers.com](mailto:rideouts@rogers.com).

# Synod 2021 – 2023



## Plan for The Good Shepherd Parish

- Parish Synodal Coordinator spoke at all Masses the weekend of 05/06 February 2022
- Small groups, consisting of six to eight persons will meet twice, one week apart, all on Zoom; each small group will have a group facilitator and a group note-taker. (technical assistance with Zoom is available; if needed, please indicate this in your email)
- **Participants are requested to register via email to: [mabolsen@rogers.com](mailto:mabolsen@rogers.com), entering the word "Synod" in the subject line. Please provide your name and your telephone number, and indicate your first and second choice for a group session.**
- Once your email is received, you will receive an email confirming your group number, along with receiving a scan of the Archdiocesan Annex B "Participant's Guide" that you are requested to review.
- All Synodal process resources are listed on page five of this bulletin, and everyone is requested to read the documents and watch as many of the videos as you are able. Pre-reading is not a prerequisite, but rather should be seen as a great assistance in your reflective sharing during your group discussion.
- Other conversation groups will be scheduled in March as numbers warrant; there is a place for everyone! Our parish has time allotted until the middle of April to allow for maximum participation.
- Please consider inviting a friend or family member who no longer practices their faith, or belongs to another faith tradition, or to no faith, to come with you to share their thoughts on the Church.
- Please know that this is not meant to be a discussion or a debate, but rather a time where we will be invited to listen to each other in silence and with respect; this is a time for us all to understand and recognize "what the Spirit is saying to the churches" (Revelation 3:22)

### Local Timeline for the Synodal Process



### SMALL SYNODAL CONVERSATION GROUPS

### SCHEDULE (more dates to come soon)

#### Group 3

Tuesday 15 Feb @ 7 pm

Tuesday 22 Feb @ 7 pm



Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
Joseph (Joe) MacDonell, husband of  
Elaine MacDonell



Please pray for the  
repose of the soul of  
Jean Baptiste



# RESOURCES

## 1. Link to preparatory document:

<https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/25817/documents/2021/10/Documento-Preparatorio-EN-21.pdf>

## 2. Link to (Vademecum) Official Handbook for Listening and Discernment in Local Churches:

<https://en.archoc.ca/documents/2021/10/Vademecum-EN-A4.pdf>

## 3. Link to a PowerPoint presentation from the Vatican:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eVKgnrKYgsepua0DMBbCSQEuweo\\_Zdql/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eVKgnrKYgsepua0DMBbCSQEuweo_Zdql/view)

## 4. Link to a short video by Dominican Fr. Timothy Radcliffe who is a former Master of the Order of Preachers; he reflects on the importance of 'daring to listen' as part of the Church's path toward the 2023 Synod of Bishops:

<https://youtu.be/OGrc72hcQIE>

## 5. Zoom sessions, from St. Paul University, about the Synod on Synodality, and the background on synods in genera: listed in the box on this page.

## 6. Zoom sessions, from the organizers at Canadian Martyrs Parish:

a. Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> by Fr. John Renken: <https://youtu.be/3wjMhm2lgz8>

b. Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> by Prof. Cathy Clifford: <https://youtu.be/QRdArRafLI>

c. Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> by Prof. Cathy Clifford: <https://youtu.be/6FjS5vGWgAA>

## 7. Archbishop Marcel's Message for the Synod: <https://youtu.be/bST6dIgr8JI>

## 8. Link to Archdiocesan Synodal page: <https://en.archoc.ca/synod-2021-2023>

## 9. Link to Pope Francis' Homily of 10 October 2021, Opening of the Synodal Path: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2021/documents/20211010-omelia-sinodo-vescovi.html>

Please continue to pray and prepare for your involvement.... There is a place for you around the "virtual" synod small group table.

**All are needed! All are welcome!!**

To register your participation, please follow the instruction on page four of this bulletin.

Faithfully yours,

Marilyn Olsen  
Synodal Coordinator

## A SYNOD FOR ALL

While all the baptized are specifically called to take part in the Synodal Process, no one – no matter their religious affiliation – should be excluded from sharing their perspective and experiences, insofar as they want to help the Church on her synodal journey of seeking what is good and true.

This is especially true of those who are most vulnerable or marginalized.

(Vademecum, 2.1)



**\* FREE \* Public Webinar Series**  
**For a Synodal Church:**  
**Communion, Participation, Mission – Reflections**

**Link to main page where all webinars may be accessed:**  
[https://ustpaul.ca/en/public-events\\_1367\\_779.htm](https://ustpaul.ca/en/public-events_1367_779.htm)

### Three past webinars (with Q&A):

03 November: What is "synodality"?

24 November: Synodality within a Baptismal Ecclesiology

12 January: Synodality as a Founding Experience (in French)

### Upcoming webinars:

23 February: The Experience of Synodality in Anglican Perspective

16 March: From Personal Druthers to Discernment

30 March: Perspectives on the Synodal Way in Germany

## The Prayer of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

This prayer can be widely used throughout the diocesan phase of the Synodal Process. Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life

and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,

in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

