

Welcome to  
**Good  
Shepherd  
Parish**

Hopelawn,  
New Jersey 08861

**MISSION STATEMENT**

We are called by Jesus as a community of faith to love God and love one another by our acts of worship, fellowship and stewardship.



**August 9, 2020 • The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Rev. Krystian Burdzy  
Deacon Sam Costantino  
Deacon Albert Coppola  
Maria C. Arcelay  
Wayne Behr

Administrator

R.C.I.A.  
Parish Secretary/PCL/Cemetery Coordinator  
Director of Liturgical Music

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil Mass	4:30PM
Sunday Masses:	8:30AM & 11:00AM
Daily Mass	Monday at 7:00PM ( <i>Holidays at 9am, or otherwise stated</i> ) Tuesday-Friday at 8:00AM
Holy Days	as announced
Confessions:	Saturday afternoon 3:30 - 4:00PM
Novenas:	Miraculous Medal and St. Jude Novena following Monday 7:00PM Mass St. Anthony Novena Wednesday morning following 8:00AM Mass

**THE PARISH CENTER**

Parish and Cemetery Offices  
625 Florida Grove Rd., Hopelawn, New Jersey  
Phone: 732-826-4859 • Fax: 732-826-6078  
Website: [www.goodshepherdpanj.org](http://www.goodshepherdpanj.org)  
E-mail: [Goodshepherd20@verizon.net](mailto:Goodshepherd20@verizon.net)  
Office Open Monday-Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
Evenings by Appointment Only  
Closed Weekends and Federal Holidays

**PERTH AMBOY CATHOLIC**

**PRIMARY-UPPER LEVELS**

Sr. Beverly Policastro S.C., Principal  
St. Stephen School Building (732) 826-1598

**BLESSED SACRAMENT (CHAPEL)**

Located in the Parish Center  
Open for Private Prayer during office hours



## Parish Information

# We welcome you to the Good Shepherd Parish Community!

Please register at the Parish Office as soon as you are able to do so, and the staff will be happy to inform you about our parish and the opportunities we offer. Parish registration is required for religious education, celebration of all Sacraments and certification as a sponsor for Baptism and Confirmation. Regular Sunday worship with us indicates a practicing Catholic, not just parish registration. Attendance is necessary at weekend worship for the all sacraments and certification of sponsorship. Please notify the parish office of any changes in phone numbers, addresses, e-mail addresses or when leaving the parish.

We have hospitality Sunday, the first Sunday of the month. Please come and meet our Priest and fellow parishioners.

**Baptism:** All Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at **12noon**. The preparation process should begin at least three months before the planned date of the Baptism. A Baptism Preparation Class is required for parents (godparents may attend if they wish). This class is offered on the fourth Sunday of each month at **9:45 AM**. Please call the parish office to register. The date of the baptism is scheduled after attending the class. Parish membership and active worship is required for two months prior to preparation.

**Religious Education:** Provides faith filled instructions for Levels 1st through 8th. We have classes on two Saturdays a month from 8:45am to 11am. Special instructions are given for sacramental preparations.

**Initiation of Adults and Older Children:** This is an extended formation process for unbaptized or uncatechized adults or baptized Christians of other faith traditions who wish to become members of the Catholic Church, as well as for unbaptized or uncatechized school-aged children. Please contact the parish office for more information. Initiation is celebrated at the Easter Vigil after a formation period of one or two years.

**Adult Confirmation:** This is a program for persons over the age of 18 who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Eucharist, but who never completed their initiation with the Sacrament of Confirmation. The program is a 10-12 week program, with Confirmation being celebrated on the Solemnity of Pentecost. Please call the parish office for more details.

**Matrimony:** Couples wishing to marry in Good Shepherd Parish must be registered members of our parish. They are required to make initial arrangements at least one year in advance. Four sessions with the priest or deacon, as well as Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter take place during this year. Active worship for at least two months are required before a date may be scheduled.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Anyone who is seriously ill or unable to come to church for a length of time should contact the parish office to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick. Eucharistic Ministers bring Holy Communion to homebound parishioners every Sunday, and our priest will visit on the First Friday of each month. Please call the parish office to make arrangements. The Diocese of Metuchen provides Catholic priests to serve at all local hospitals.

**Holy Orders:** If you are interested in learning more about the priesthood or religious life, contact the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Metuchen at 732-562-1990, ext. 1700 or by email at [vocations@diometuchen.org](mailto:vocations@diometuchen.org) or visit [www.diometuchen.org/vocations](http://www.diometuchen.org/vocations).

## GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH FINANCIAL CORNER

7/5/20	\$5,376.00
7/12/20	\$5,442.00
7/19/20	\$8,160.00
7/26/20	\$4,537.00

### MONTHLY OPERATING INCOME & EXPENSE MAY 2020

Collection Income	\$ 19,434.00
Other Income	\$ 6,870.00
<b>Total Income*</b>	<b>\$ 26,304.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 29,134.00</b>
<b>Month's Income/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (2,830.00)</b>
Year-to-Date (July '19 – May '20) Income/(Deficit)	\$ (51,296.00)
Outstanding Diocesan Debt	\$ 118,133.00

## Church Donations

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver their weekly envelopes to the Parish Office when they're unable to come to Mass. Even in these times of so many changes, suspensions and disruptions, our bills to run our Parish still need to be paid. If you are financially able, please continue to support our Church. You may mail your donations or put them in the locked mailbox, or door slot in the front of the Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support and understanding. Stay well and God bless!

**This is access for live streaming from  
St. Francis Cathedral, Metuchen.  
Daily Masses are celebrated at  
7 am every day including weekends!!!**

<https://videoplayer.telvue.com/player/IuaKrS6msEIxmRnPflw2fxD0li3pMrxN/stream/55?fullscreen=false&showtabssearch=true&autostart=false>  
also available on: <https://www.ewtn.com>

## ORGANIZATIONS

NAME	DAY	TIME
Holy Name Society	2nd Thursday	7:00PM
Ladies Guild	2nd Tuesday	7:00 PM
Rosary Altar Society	2nd Sunday	9:30 AM
Tuesday Seniors	2nd & 4th Tues.	12:30 PM
Wednesday Seniors	1st & 3rd Wed.	12:30 PM

*If you are interested in any of our above organizations/ministries,  
please contact the Parish Office for more information.*

## MINISTRIES

NAME	CONTACT	PHONE
Chairperson-Finance Council	Marty Joyce	732-826-4859
Music Ministry	Parish Office	732-826-4859
Religious Education	Maria C. Arcelay	732-826-4859



***Fr. Michael McGivney the founder of Knights of Columbus will be Beatified This Year: Will Be Remembered on Wednesday, August 12***



The founder of the largest Catholic fraternal service organization in the world "[Knights Of Columbus is the venerable Father Michael J. McGivney](#). He has inspired generations of Catholic men to roll up their sleeves and put their faith into action. Today his spirit continues to shape the extraordinary charitable work of **Knights** as they serve their parishes and those on the margins of society as he served widows and orphans in the 1880s.

Today, there are more than two million members of the Knights of Columbus in some 15,000 councils located in more than a dozen countries around the world. In 2019, these Knights together donated \$187 million to charity and provided 77 million hours of volunteer work. Over the past decade, the Order has donated more than \$1.6 billion to worthy causes.

Born August 12, 1852, in Waterbury, Connecticut, of Irish immigrant parents, he was the eldest of 13 children, six of whom died at an early age. After finishing elementary school, he joined his father in a brass mill for three years to help with the family's financial needs. A local priest was instrumental in enrolling him in a seminary when he was 16. However, his schooling was cut short in 1873 when his father died. This event introduced him to the effect the loss of a breadwinner can have on a family. After resuming his studies, he completed seminary and was ordained in Baltimore on December 22, 1877. His first assignment was to St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut.

While at St. Mary's, Fr. McGivney witnessed the anti-Catholic sentiment the Irish American immigrant community was experiencing. He worked tirelessly to keep his flock close to the faith by finding practical solutions to their many problems both spiritual and temporal.

In 1882, Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus to aid Catholic Men and their families that had suffered the loss of their sole provider. It was named in honor of Christopher Columbus. It has become the largest lay Catholic organization in the world with over 2 million members and sponsors with a wide range of education, charitable and religious activities.

Father McGivney, along with a diocesan-wide appeal received a new parish assignment in Connecticut. The Knights' concept corporate needs of a parish had been formed in that area. As Chaplain, and as pastor during the world-wide Flu pandemic in 1884, his primary ministry was servicing the spiritual, which was well received at St. Thomas in Thomaston. By 1886, 38 Councils providing spiritual leadership to Father McGivney continued at his parish. During the 1889-1890 the so-called Russian flu pandemic killed over one million people. Unfortunately, during that outbreak, Father McGivney contracted pneumonia and died on August 14, 1890 — two days after his 38th birthday.

Known for his devotion to the faith and embodiment of the characteristics of the "Good Samaritan," the Archdiocese of Hartford opened a cause for his sainthood in 1997. The diocesan investigation was closed in 2000 and the case passed on to Congregation for the Causes of Saints in Vatican City.

In March 2003, Saint Pope John Paul II lauded Father McGivney's principles and vision of "seeking new ways of being a leaven of the Gospel in the world and a spiritual force for the renewal of the Church in holiness, unity and truth."

On March 15, 2008, Pope Benedict XVI approved a decree citing McGivney's foresight and zeal in establishing the Knights of Columbus as a remarkable and exemplary accomplishment, thereby declaring him a Venerable Servant of God.

Earlier this year, in an address to the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors, Pope Francis said the organization has been faithful "to the vision of your founder, Venerable Michael McGivney, who was inspired by the principles of Christian charity and fraternity to assist those most in need."

On May 27, 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to the intercession of Fr. McGivney which involved the healing of an unborn child's life-threatening condition while in utero. The pope's action means that Father McGivney can be declared "Blessed," the step just prior to sainthood. An additional miracle attributed to Father McGivney's intercession will be required for his canonization as a saint.

**The beatification Mass for Fr. Michael McGivney is scheduled for October 31, 2020**, in Connecticut, according to the Congregation for Saints' Causes.

If you have an interest in learning more about The Knights, please contact me directly 732-826-2771 so I can give you more information about **K of C**. I became a Knight in 2007 and I got my 4<sup>th</sup> degree in 2018. I'm a very proud to be a member of the largest Catholic organization in the world the "**Knights of Columbus**".

***For the month of August pray for those affected by Covid-19, and all hospital and nursing home personnel who are working so bravely and tirelessly , their families, our sick and homebound of our Parish family, especially:***

- Carlos Bendrell, Marie Burke, Andrea Costantino, Noah Dahlberg, Carolyn Duane, Pat Dunn, Chuck F., Victor & Melissa Ferrer, Tommy Fitzpatrick, Joseph Frisbe, Mike Gaffney, Carol George, Johnny Gondek, Richard Hajzer, Mary Harper, Nancy Hunt, Tommy Jones, Bill Karvalis, Arleen Kopin, Judy Liik, Rose Langan, Brianna Ortega, Megan Ortega, Carol Magyar, JoAnn Magyar, Fr. John Morley, Raymond Magyar, Ellen Malopolski, Maryanne Mateuszczyk, Connie & Vince Montuoro, Lynn Munoz, Mary Murray, Teresa P., Catherine Paone, Christopher Paone, Danny Parker, Dianne Petro-Duncan, Julia Possert, Caroline Pry, Stephen Pry, Ann Rapetti, Greg Rohrbacher, Fred Rose, Paul Sheena, Jack Stacey, Tamya Stacy, Maryann Suhay, Teloiski Family, Dave & Louise Utter, Elsie Vega, Maryann Whalen & Bernard Yaros.

**With respect to personal privacy only requests made by immediate family members will be taken.** If you would like to add or continue to keep a name on our list: call the parish office at 732-826-4859 or email [goodshepherd20@verizon.net](mailto:goodshepherd20@verizon.net). ***Please keep in mind that we pray for all the sick every day in the general intercessions of the Mass.***

# Sundays Readings

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **Reading 1**     **1 Kings 19:9A, 11-13A**

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, "Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by." A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

### **Responsorial Psalm**

*PS 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14*

**R. (8) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what God proclaims;  
the LORD — for he proclaims peace.  
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him,  
glory dwelling in our land.

**R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

Kindness and truth shall meet;  
justice and peace shall kiss.  
Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from heaven.

**R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

The LORD himself will give his benefits;  
our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk  
before him, and prepare the way of his steps.

**R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

### **Reading 2**

**ROM 9:1-5**

Brothers and sisters:  
I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie;  
my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness  
that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For  
I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from  
Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to  
the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the  
covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises;  
theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh,  
is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

**The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

### **Alleluia**

**MT 14:22-33**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

I wait for the Lord;  
my soul waits for his word.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Gospel**

**MT 17:14-20**

A man came up to Jesus, knelt down before him, and said,  
"Lord, have pity on my son, who is a lunatic and suffers severely;  
often he falls into fire, and often into water. I brought him to  
your disciples, but they could not cure him." Jesus said in reply,  
"O faithless and perverse generation, how long will I be with you?  
How long will I endure you? Bring the boy here to me."  
Jesus rebuked him and the demon came out of him, and from that  
hour the boy was cured. Then the disciples approached Jesus in  
private and said, "Why could we not drive it out?" He said to them,  
"Because of your little faith. Amen, I say to you, if you have  
faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain,  
'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be  
impossible for you."

*The Gospel of the lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

### **Hymns used for this Liturgy**

**Entrance:** There's A Wideness In God's Mercy #712

**Offertory:** On Eagle's Wings #671

**Communion:** Precious Lord, Take My Hand #548

## MINISTER SCHEDULE

### LECTOR

4:30PM SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH  
Linda Cruz

8:30AM SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH  
Phyllis Gianfrancesco  
11:00AM Loni Rodriguez

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30PM SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH  
Deacon Sam Costantino & M. Nunez

8:30AM SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH  
Deacon Mickey Coppola & D. Cherubini  
11:00AM M. Amaya & L. Santamaria

*Currently Altar servers are excused from service. Please check back here for updates or add yourself to our email list for updates.*

### For the Week of August 8th-14th

#### SANCTUARY CANDLE

In Memory of  
Florence & George Plaskon  
Req Lynn & Ange Bonarrigo

#### BREAD & WINE

In Memory of  
Those lives lost to the Coronavirus  
Req Good Shepherd Parish

#### BLESSED MOTHER FLOWER

In Memory of  
Elvira Papp  
Req Joan & Ben Palmerini

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

In Memory of  
Peter Stepash  
Req Joan & Ben Palmerini

## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, August 10 :

St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

7:00PM All Deceased Souls  
Req Filomena Gianfrancesco

### TUESDAY, August 11 :

St. Clair, Virgin

8:00AM Living & Deceased Good Shepherd Parishioners

### WEDNESDAY, August 12 : Weekday

8:00AM Helen Egan  
Req Estate

### THURSDAY, August 13 : Weekday

8:00AM Thanksgiving  
Req Parishioner

### FRIDAY, August 14 :

St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr

8:00AM Tobia & Grazia Acciani  
Req Marie

### SATURDAY, August 15 :

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30PM Liberato Gianfrancesco  
Req wife Antoinette & children

### SUNDAY, August 16 :

The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30AM Zarembo family  
Req family

11:00AM Catherine Wall  
Req Frank & Marie Augustyn



Welcome....

The Parish Family of the Good Shepherd  
joyfully welcomes

**Joseph James Caffiero**

through the saving Waters of Baptism.

## Updates Due to the Coronavirus

Currently, our daily Masses are open to a limited number of parishioners (50 or less). The state has increased the number of parishioners allowed in church to 100. Safety precautions will be posted in advance and strictly enforced. (Please see our "Coronavirus Rules" when attending Mass.)

## 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal

*Stepping Forward in Faith: Grace in Action*

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to:

Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal,  
PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000  
or give online at [www.diometuchen.org/BAA](http://www.diometuchen.org/BAA).

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$21,803.99 and payments totaling \$20,843.41 from 148 parishioners. This represents 90.8% of our \$24,000.00 goal.

*Thank you for your efforts !!!*



Volunteers are needed after each Mass to clean the pews, doors and all high traffic areas before the next Mass.

If you're interested in helping, please call the Parish Office

732-826-4859 or check with an Usher for more information.

## BRINGING UP GIFTS AT MASS

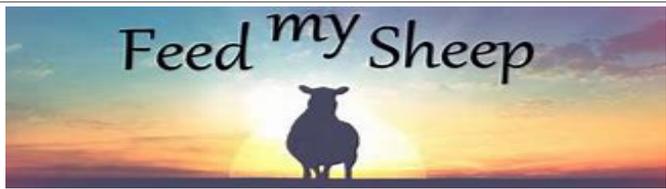
If you requested a Mass intention, we hope you will understand for your health and safety bringing up the gifts has been **temporarily suspended.**



Stay informed by registering online at:

<https://bulletin.jspaluch.com>

and get a weekly digital copy of the Good Shepherd Parish Bulletin



## Feeding the Homeless Monday, August 17th

We could use **your** help: with a monetary donation, or even a simple meal. Please call Mildred at (732)910-1277.

In need of a hot meal, or know someone...please join St. John the Baptist Episcopal church, 404 Division St. from 5pm to 6pm, every Monday. Prepared take-out (dinners only) to anyone that comes.

*Thank you in advance.*



## Religious Education

For the first time ever!!! We will be offering Religious Education levels 1st - 8th

**ONLINE** beginning September, 2020.

Visit our website for registration forms.  
Deadline to register August 28th.



## PERTH AMBOY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Open Enrollment "AdvancED Accredited/NCA"

Upper: Pre-K 3&4, K, 1,2,3, 4,5,6,7,8  
at 500 State Street

732-826-1598 or 732-442-9533

Call for an appointment and a personal tour!

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



## Perth Amboy Catholic Schools

is requesting your support for their "Honorary Membership" fundraisers. A thank you gift of \$150.00 will place the name of a *sponsor person/group* on the prayer wall in the school gym for daily prayer of remembrance. It will also provide discounts at local merchants through a membership card. And an extend invitation for attendance at our school assembly and celebration for Catholic Schools weeks held each year in January.

If you are interested in becoming an "Honorary Member" please call the parish office for more information.



## WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR YOUR MARRIAGE LATELY?

*You are invited to a virtual Worldwide  
Marriage Encounter Experience...*

**Restore** **Rekindle** **Renew**

Join us from the comfort of your home via zoom for eight evening sessions presented on Mondays and Thursday from August 31 to September 24 (Due to Labor Day, one session will be on Tuesday, September 8). Married couples, priests and religious can register for the program at:

[aweekendforyourmarriage.org](http://aweekendforyourmarriage.org)

Or by calling Tom or Ruth DeFalco at 732-904-9636. A \$50 application fee covers most of the cost. However, you will be invited to make a good faith offering at the end of the program.

# GRADUATION

We would like to congratulate all 8th Grade, High School & College Graduates of the 2019-20 school year. Parents or Grandparents are encouraged to call the Parish Office and indicate the school their child will be attending in the fall. All graduate's, parent's or grandparent's names and schools will be listed in our Bulletin. Deadline Friday, July 31st!!!

## Coronavirus Rules

- STAY HOME IF YOU'RE NOT FEELING WELL.
- PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING.
- WASH YOUR HANDS.
- BRING YOUR OWN HAND SANITIZER.
- FOLLOW ALL GREEN POSTED SIGNS FOR YOUR HEALTH AND SAFETY.
- **Masks must ALWAYS BE WORN when entering our church.**
- **Masks must remain on during all Mass services.**
- You may sit with your family.
- **ABSOLUTELY NO GATHERING!**
- The distribution of the Eucharist will follow the final Blessing.
- Instructions for the receiving line will be given before, during, and towards the end of Mass. Please follow your Usher.
- **FOR HEALTH REASONS THE EUCHARIST CAN ONLY BE RECEIVED BY HAND.**
- To avoid congestion during the receiving line or exiting, the congregation will be dismissed by row.
- If you are not planning on receiving the Eucharist, you may exit when it is your row's turn for dismissal.
- When receiving the Eucharist, you may bring your mask down, consume, then replace it to its original place. Then you may exit the church.
- Your offertory donation can be placed in the baskets provided when exiting.

**Thank you!!!**

## LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

There is something very sacred about silence. Silence connects us. It is where the heartbeat of all of creation — and its life blood and source — are embraced and where oneness is experienced. When in the presence of an environment that is silent, the worries, tribulations, struggles, and challenges of life seem to fade away, and we can experience a peaceful whisper. We can call that whisper God. Through the practice of contemplative prayer, we can find our way to that inner place of silence even in the midst of great distraction, busyness, and noise. The silence becomes one with us and grounds us. When we become friends with silence, friends with God, we can hear the gentle whisper of God's voice saying, "Come, stay here. Trust me and you will not fall."



*“Please respect the Sacred Silence”*



### 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

