

VOCATIONS CORNER

As part of our ongoing commitment to promote and encourage all vocations within our parish family we present information each month to help develop our knowledge and understanding of each calling.

This month, we celebrate the ordination of Glen Ball to the priesthood on May 13, 2017, and the privilege we have had at Good Shepherd Parish to be a part of his formation process. Glen will be the only priest ordained in the Diocese of London this year. The Catholic Church sees the Priesthood as both a reflection of the ancient Jewish priesthood in the Temple, and the work of Jesus as priest. The liturgy of ordination recalls the Old Testament priesthood and the priesthood of Christ. In the words of Thomas Aquinas, "Christ is the source of all priesthood: the priest of the old law was a prefiguration of Christ, and the priest of the new law acts in the person of Christ" *Summa Theologiae* III, 22, 4c. Priests may celebrate Mass, hear confessions and give absolution, celebrate Baptism, serve as the Church's witness at the sacrament of Holy Matrimony, administer Anointing of the Sick, and administer Confirmation (if authorized to do so by the Bishop).

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holy_orders_in_the_Catholic_Church. Please pray for Glen especially this month. For more information on all vocations please visit the Vocations kiosks located at each parish site. We continue to pray for all of you in your vocations.

The Vocations Committee

