

## 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 Fr. Gary's 40th Anniversary to the Priesthood and we share a special message from our Pastor:

On April 28<sup>th</sup> 2019 I will celebrate my 40 year to Priesthood. As I reflect on my vocation, I first thank my parents for sharing their faith with me. They taught me to make the sign of the cross when I was only 3 years old. They taught me the Our Father and Hail Mary when I was five and I saw in their lives the importance of Sunday Mass and the Eucharist. And so from a young age I wanted to be a priest. Oh yes there were struggles, many of them over the years but also literally thousands of blessings. In all the Parishes that I have served I have experienced God's presence not only in the Sacraments celebrated but also within the love and support of God's people and for that I am grateful. I couldn't imagine following any other path in life. My vocation to the Priesthood has truly been a gift. My prayer is that we will have a vocation to the priesthood from Good Shepherd Parish. Please keep praying for all vocations.

Fr. Gary

We continue to pray for all of you in your vocations and we congratulate and thank Fr. Gary for the blessing he is to all of us at Good Shepherd Parish

