

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 29, 2018

United in one Lord, one faith, and one baptism, we gather in the sight of our God and Father.

Sacristans Urgently Required – The Sacristan prepares and puts away the sacred vessels, linens, vestments and other items required for each Mass. We require Sacristans for weekday and/or weekend Masses and will provide the necessary training. Please contact Donna Dunham at addunham@rogers.com or speak to Fr. Shroff to let him know you are interested.

MISSION APPEAL – Fr. Orlando Mendoza., from the Diocese of Virac, Philippines will be in our parish the weekend of **August 4/5** to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He will preach at all the Masses and will make an appeal on behalf of the Diocese of Virac.

Good Shepherd Parish Bible Study. The Fall session, beginning the week of September 10, 2018, for 10 weeks, will study "Women in the Old Testament". The course, using materials prepared by Little Rock Scripture Study, is offered 3 times a week - Monday evening, Wednesday morning and Wednesday afternoon. Application forms can be found on the bookshelf at the back of the church. Please apply by August 3, 2018. For further information contact gsbiblestudy@rogers.com

The parish is looking for someone to assume the responsibility as the pro-life representative. If you feel God might be calling you to assume this position please contact the parish office for information.



YOU ARE INVITED!

Sometimes invitations lead us to totally unexpected experiences...to a life of peace, faith, and hope.

If you have **never been baptized** and find yourself attracted to the Catholic faith, come and explore the possibilities of becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church. If you **have been baptized** in another faith tradition, this journey can lead you to full communion with the Catholic Church. If you were baptized in the Catholic faith but have **never received the sacraments** of Eucharist and Confirmation, come and inquire about how to become fully initiated in the Church. Do you attend Mass with your **Catholic spouse**? Are your **children preparing** to receive the Sacraments? *This invitation is for you too!*

The **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A)** is a process by which one can answer God's invitation!

Good Shepherd Parish offers R.C.I.A., a process of learning and discussion held in the context of prayer, shared experiences, and the Word of God! Starting in the fall we will meet each **Thursday from 7:00p.m - 8:30 p.m.** If you feel this invitation may be intended for you (or someone you know), please call Kimberley Waara for more information. 613-590-7613.

Offering for July 22, 2018

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| Sunday Envelopes: | \$ 2791.00 |
| PAC/Visa/MC | \$ 2660.00 |
| Loose: | <u>\$ 643.00</u> |
| Total Collection: | \$ 6094.00 |

Farewell Message from Fr. Shroff

Today is a bittersweet day for me. On the one hand, I am happy to be following the Will of God by accepting to move on to my next parish assignment as pastor; on the other hand, I know that I will miss you all deeply, dear parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish. These last four years as your pastor have been filled with much grace and blessing for me. We have a very diverse community in this parish, and I have been blessed to see how God has graced our community of Faith through the particular and unique gifts that He has given to each and every one of you.

Throughout my four years at Good Shepherd, you may have noticed a common thread that ran through my homilies and teachings. I have always focused on God's universal call to holiness, the fact that Our Lord is calling each and every one of us to become living Saints. In trying to encourage all of you to pursue this call to holiness without compromise, I wanted to help you to see, through my homilies, the Beauty and Goodness and Truth of our Holy Catholic Faith: for in discovering these things, we come to enter into a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Beauty, Goodness, and Truth that is God Himself.

My homilies have also stressed the sacredness and reverence that we are called to express through the sacred liturgy. The liturgy is not an invention of our own doing; it is something that we receive from God through His Church with humility and obedience. If we do this, we come to discover how powerful the liturgical rites of the Catholic Church are, when they celebrated in fidelity and obedience to the proper liturgical norms. Every gesture, every prayer of the sacred liturgy is meant to "lift up our hearts to the Lord," as we say in the Preface of the Mass. As we come to know and appreciate the Church's sacred liturgy better, we discover that it transforms us more and more into living icons or images of Christ.

I know that my particular style at Mass was appreciated by some of you a great deal; and by others, not so much. I do hope, however, that for ALL of you, I have at least left you with SOMETHING that has helped you to grow stronger and to become more convicted in your Catholic Faith. God is good, and the graces that Jesus Christ pours upon us through the liturgy strengthen and fortify us in the Faith, and help us as well to grow in Hope and in authentic Christian Charity.

Please know, dear brothers and sisters, that I will keep you all in my prayers (even after my move to Metcalfe), and that I have a special place in my heart for you, since you are the parishioners I was called to serve in my FIRST placement as pastor of a parish since my ordination to the Priesthood.

May God continue to shower all of His blessings upon each and every one of you, upon your families and loved ones, and upon all who are close to your hearts. May Our Blessed Mother, the Holy and Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of the Good Shepherd, watch over and protect you and lead you to that Kingdom to which we are all called by virtue of our Baptism. I do not leave you orphans. You are in good hands with my successor, Fr. Virgil Amirthakumar. I know that he will help you to grow in your Faith, and to take your Faith to the next level.

Please keep me in your prayers, and know that I pray for you as well.

Your pastor in Christ the Good Shepherd,
Fr. Hezuk Shroff

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 28 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Anticipated Vigil Mass)

5:00 pm †John MacDonald and the intentions of Jackie MacDonald req by Errol & Maureen Kennedy
†Anthony & Joseph and the Souls in Purgatory req by a Parishioner
Deceased members of the Pereira family
Deceased members of the CWL

Sunday, July 29 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Sir Manilal Nanavati req by the family
†Abla Hokayem req by Fadia Abdelnour
Souls in Purgatory req by Fadia Abdelnour
Mass of Thanksgiving req by Fadia Abdelnour
11:15 am For Our Parishioners

Monday, July 30 – 17th Monday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Kaye Anderson Ryan req by her children

Tuesday, July 31 – Memorial, St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

9:00 am †Tom Cutler req by Bill & Fran Mason

Thursday, August 2 – 17th Thursday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Line Ouellette req by Rita Seguin

Friday, August 3 – 17th Friday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Gunter Andrews req by Myrna
Deceased members of the Absi & Baillot families

Saturday, August 4 – Memorial, St. Jean-Marie Vianney, Priest

9:00 am For Our Parishioners

Saturday, August 5 – Eighteenth Sunday on Ordinary Time

(Anticipated Vigil Mass)

5:00 pm For Our Parishioners

Sunday, August 5 – Eighteenth Sunday on Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Cécile Grenier req by Deacon Wayne & Claire Lee
11:15 am Intention of Mae McNeely req by Jean Hall
Intentions of our New Pastor, Father Virgil req by the Women at Morning mass as St. Isidore.
Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus
†Abla Hokayem req by Fadia Abdelnour
Souls in Purgatory req by Fadia Abdelnour
Mass of Thanksgiving req by Fadia Abdelnour

Please pray for our sick; Deacon Dan Careau, Joe MacDonell, Jean Scharf, Romina Andrews, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Monica Rios, Jean-Ella Lemire, Maurice Lemire, and Michael Nortey.

Please pray for our deceased, that they may be received into God's love

PRO LIFE CORNER

Let us pray that Christ, who multiplied the loaves, may fill us with active compassion for those whose rights to food, work, and life itself are threatened. Even though it is a sad reality that today Catholics differ on how much they accept the Gospel of Life, Paul exhorts each of us to resist the pull of the world and the tendency to fracture. Peace and unity are to be the hallmarks of Christian life and the route to this goal is the virtues of "humility, gentleness, and patience."**Spiritual Adoption Prayer of Archbishop Fulton Sheen** "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion." Please take an unborn baby whose parent(s) you may or may not know and pray daily for him or her. This baby then becomes your spiritually adopted baby.