

# Now for Good Shepherd

Christmas Mass Schedule.....page 2

## Coming Events for Good Shepherd

Communion Service—8:30 a.m. Saturday in the chapel.

There will be no Communion Service Monday-Friday of this week due to the Christmas schedule.  
Mass—8:30 a.m. Monday and Wednesday-Friday in the church. See Mass Schedule below for Tuesday.

### Sunday, December 23

7:30 a.m. Mass  
9:00 a.m. Mass—NO Children’s Liturgy of the Word  
NO Sunday Preschool  
10:30 a.m. Mass—NO Children’s Liturgy of the Word  
NO Sunday Preschool  
12:00 noon Mass  
4:00 p.m. Mass with Contemporary Music  
Music begins at 3:45 p.m.

### Monday, December 24

8:30 a.m. Mass in the church  
3:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Mass in the church  
3:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in the Community Room  
5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in the church  
5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in the Community Room  
9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in the church (Carols begin at 8:30 p.m.)  
11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in the church (Carols begin at 10:30 p.m.)

### Tuesday, December 25

9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass in the church  
10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Mass in the church  
Parish Office Closed—Building will close after the 10:30 a.m. Mass

### Wednesday, December 26

8:30 a.m. Mass—Parish office closed—  
Building closed after Mass

### Thursday, December 27

8:30 a.m. Mass  
9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Exposition  
6:10 p.m. Rosary/Liturgy of the Hours  
7:00 p.m. CODA (Co-Dependents Anonymous)

### Friday, December 28

8:30 a.m. Mass

### Saturday, December 29

4:30 p.m. Mass

## Community Life

### In Memoriam

We remember Ellen Rismondo, daughter of parishioner Michael Rismondo;  
and parishioner Fred Williams, husband of Sally Williams.

### New Request for Prayers

Dave Holdinghausen  
Judy Taylor

### Welcome New Parishioners!

Moira Smith  
Allison Hollstege  
Tyler Reed

Need to Know and Contact Information on pages 10 and 11

# Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

Mass Time/Room	Presider	Music provided by:
3:00 p.m. Church Family Mass	Fr. Tom Mannebach	Doug Schmutte, cantor and instrumentalists
3:00 p.m. Community Room	Fr. Bob Goebel	Diane Magill, cantor and the Good Shepherd Ensemble
5:00 p.m. Church	Fr. Tom Mannebach	Doug Schmutte, cantor and instrumentalists
5:00 p.m. Community Room	Fr. Bob Goebel	Diane Magill, cantor and the Good Shepherd Ensemble
9:00 p.m. Church	Fr. Jack Wehman	Carols begin at 8:30 p.m. Doug Schmutte, cantor, Adult Choir, Handbell Choir and Classical Ensemble
11:00 p.m. Church	Fr. Jack Wehman	Carols begin at 10:30 p.m. Doug Schmutte, cantor, Adult Choir, Handbell Choir and Classical Ensemble

# Christmas Day Mass Schedule



- 9:00 a.m. Mass in Church**  
Fr. Jack Wessling, Presider  
**Music:** Doug Schmutte, cantor, Brass & Timpani and Classical Ensemble
- 10:30 a.m. Mass in Church**  
Fr. Jack Wehman, Presider  
**Music:** Doug Schmutte, cantor, Brass & Timpani and Classical Ensemble

*On December 29/30, we will have our normal weekend Mass schedule.*

## Mass Schedule for December 31 and January 1, 2019 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

*Monday, December 31  
Vigil Mass in church  
4:30 p.m.  
Fr. Jack Wehman, Presider*



*Tuesday, January 1, 2019  
Mass in church  
10:30 a.m.  
Fr. Tom Mannebach, Presider*

*Letter received from a parish Outreach donation*

Dear Community of the Good Shepherd,  
It is so heartening when we receive a gift from a generous parish like yours that allows us to say “yes” to one more family. Thank you so much for your support!

Your contribution of \$15,000 received on November 27, 2018 will go a long way toward providing a lasting impact on our community. Because of individuals like you, more families who partner with Habitat will be able to build and buy a home; more neighborhoods will thrive as we focus on residential redevelopment and critical home repair; and more first-time homebuyers will have access to financial and homeownership education.

With your support, more families will have a strong foundation on which to build their dreams. *“This is a huge step towards new beginnings for our family. Since we’re not held down by poverty anymore, the sky is the limit. We now have the opportunity to reach toward whatever dreams we have.”* Sajah W.

Thank you again for your support in helping Habitat give more families a hand up, not a handout. You will help us reach our vision—a world where everyone has a decent place to live.

Sincerely,

Ed Lee

President & CEO

Habitat for Humanity Greater Cincinnati



Members of GS-SOS,

Thank you so much for your generous donation of \$500 to our project, Homefront Hugs at Ursuline Academy. We are more grateful than you could ever know. The money so far has been used to purchase personal care items, food and other goods for the soldiers. We wanted to let you know what your kind donation is being used for. Our group is very appreciative as are the men and women we are sending packages to. Thank you Good Shepherd for helping our project grow and thrive.

Homefront Hugs  
Ursuline Academy



To the amazing individuals at The Community of the Good Shepherd:

I want to personally thank all of you for the wonderful, heartfelt care packages you sent my team and I in Afghanistan. The contents of the boxes were shared with soldiers and Airmen with whom we work with at the hospital. Receiving mail/packages from back home is reassuring to us and serves as a reminder that we are supported, loved and remembered. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for the love and support you have shown. May God bless you always...

SFC Snow & Team

Dear Parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish,  
We don't know where to begin to thank you for the wonderful, tremendous, huge donation of our most-needed items! And, many wonderful gift cards! I will never be able to fully express our gratitude.

As you know, Mary Magdalen House has moved into a much larger, more efficient space. The move has been a success by any measure. Many more people are being helped, and their experience with us is much, much better. Their wait is shorter, and more comfortable. We now have a case manager, so if our guests' needs go beyond the services we provide, we can help. The facility is bright, fresh, and clean, designed for what we do. All this is really great news! But naturally it comes with a cost...since our numbers have increased by 30-50%, we experience shortages of items we've never run out of before. So your huge donation is SO much appreciated. Your generosity will be felt by our guests for many weeks, or months!

Thank you for the organizing, the purchasing, the collecting, the delivering...thank you for everything. You've made a wonderful difference.

With gratitude and best wishes,

Cary Powell

Executive Director



Dear Good Shepherd Supports Our Service Members,  
On behalf of everyone at Hospice of Cincinnati, thank you so much for your very generous gift to support the “We Honor Veterans Program.” Your donation helps ensure that Hospice of Cincinnati can continue our mission to create the best possible and most meaningful end-of-life experience for all who need care and support in our community, especially those who have served our country.

Contributions to Hospice of Cincinnati make it possible to offer a full range of personalized programs, from expert symptom management and comfort care, to holistic options like music, pet and art therapies to help patients live fully and appreciate the things they enjoy. Families are offered grief support, counseling, and memorial services commemorating their loved ones. Without supporters like you it would be impossible to offer these and other special experiences to our patients and families.

Once again, we thank you for your support of Hospice of Cincinnati. We pledge our continued commitment to providing experienced, compassionate, comfort care to those in need in our community.

Sincerely,

Sandra L. Lobert

Hospice of Cincinnati



# Worship

Steve Lindner—489-8815 ext. 702 or e-mail [steve.lindner@good-shepherd.org](mailto:steve.lindner@good-shepherd.org)



## The 8:30 a.m. Mass will once again be held in the chapel beginning January 7, 2019

The 8:30 morning Mass, Monday-Friday, will take place in the church for the Christmas season.

The day after Christmas, Wednesday, December 26, there will be an 8:30 a.m. morning Mass in the church, but no Anointing Mass at 6:15 p.m.

The parish office will be closed all day and the building will close after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

The office will open on Thursday, December 27 at our regular time, 9:00 a.m.



## Sign up for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, December 31 and January 1, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Masses

If you currently serve as a Sacristan, Eucharistic Minister, Gift Bearer, Lector, Usher or Server (Servers for the 3:00 p.m. Family Mass only) at our weekend Masses, your help is requested at our Masses on **Monday, December 24, Tuesday, December 25, Monday, December 31 and Tuesday, January 1**. If you are able to help, please stop in or phone the parish office and indicate the Mass at which you can assist. (Please see the Mass schedule on page two.)

## Scripture for Next Week—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph by Deacon Max Schellman

**First Reading**—Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14: Today's passage from the Book of Sirach is a serious discussion of the importance of honoring one's parents. The Israelites in covenant with God need to make every effort for harmonious family relationships. Loving and respecting one's parents is very important to God.

**Second Reading**—Colossians 3:12-17: The community of Colossae was divided over many issues. Paul's letter tells the Colossians that as God's chosen ones they need to act as God wishes—being forgiving, humble, gentle, compassionate and patient with one another and to "put on love." Expressing this heartfelt love of one another brings the peace of Christ to all. Paul provides lessons for us in our relationships with family and with our neighbor.

**Gospel**—Luke 2:41-52: In this passage we see the human family of Jesus. After celebrating the feast of Passover, Mary and Joseph set out to return to Jerusalem and while enroute they realize Jesus is not with them. They search for him "with great anxiety" and after three days find him in the temple exchanging ideas with the teachers. Even though his parents do not understand his purpose, he returns obediently to Nazareth with them. Mary "keeps all these things in her heart" showing her openness and trust in God's plan.

# Pastoral Care and Outreach

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Deacon Mark Westendorf—489-8815 ext. 714 or e-mail [m.westendorf@good-shepherd.org](mailto:m.westendorf@good-shepherd.org)



## Thank You for Your Generosity

Good Shepherd parishioners responded to the call for help by sending a total of \$12,205 to Catholic Charities USA in support of victims of the most destructive wildfire in California's history. Good Shepherd's Psalm 23 ministry voted to send \$10,000 to Catholic Charities USA and parishioners donated an additional \$2,205. Thank you!



## Coat Drive

Each January a "Coat Drive" for Catholic Charities is held at Good Shepherd. Parishioners have already responded and Catholic Charities has already picked up a carload! Coats of all sizes can be placed in the box marked "Catholic Charities" in front of the "Take It or Leave it Room." Last year parishioners donated 337 coats along with many hats, scarves and gloves. Thank you for supporting the annual Catholic Charities "Coat Drive!"



## St. Anthony Center Update

The "Mother Teresa of Calcutta Dining Room," 1615 Republic Street in Cincinnati, is part of the St. Francis Seraph Ministries and is currently serving 240 dinners each day, Monday through Friday, from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. In addition, they now serve breakfast from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, to 110-130 guests and distribute about 100 bagged lunches each day. We have been informed that the majority of the food in their pantry comes from the Good Shepherd blue bins. They will accept all nonperishable food items, and currently, have a particular need for boxes of individual packages of snacks, juice and drink boxes, large boxes of cereal, and #10 canned vegetables.

Good Shepherd has now contributed over 1,602 of the blue bins since the start of the "Shepherd's Share" program in October of 2009. Your continued support is both appreciated and needed. If you would like to volunteer at the dining room, formerly the "soup kitchen," visit [sfsministries.org/volunteer](http://sfsministries.org/volunteer) or call Theresa Diersen at 276-7037.

## Comfort Bags

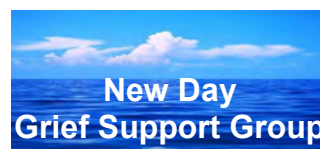
Have you ever stopped at a stoplight and noticed someone with a sign asking for money or saying they are hungry? Or walked from the parking lot at a Reds game or other event, and passed by someone sitting on the street in need? A parishioner has created a supply of "Comfort Bags"—small zip-lock bags that include a bottle of water, fruit cup, and snack, along with a kind message to hand out to people in need.

You are welcome to stop by the parish office anytime to pick up a couple "Comfort Bags" to keep in your car, backpack, or purse when a need arises. Comfort bags will enable people to respond to our sisters and brothers in need in a positive, loving manner. Contact Marie George (256-0854) or Deacon Mark Westendorf with questions.

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## National Migration Week Event at Good Shepherd

Join Catholic Charities to hear how we can Build Communities of Welcome. Hear from those who have been separated from families, learn what life is like as a refugee and go forth with ideas of ways you can welcome your neighbors. The event will be held **Thursday, January 10, 2019 at Good Shepherd from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** For more information go to [www.ccswoh.org](http://www.ccswoh.org).



The holidays can be especially difficult for those who are mourning the death of a loved one. Good Shepherd will be starting our next New Day Grief Support Group on Mondays, January 28 through March 25, 2019 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Please join us for "A Journey from Grief to Healing," a program structured for adults to work through the "tasks of grief." Details will be in the bulletin during January, or stop by the parish office for more information or call Kathy Teipen at 489-7489.

# Education and Formation

Sr. Elaine Winter—489-8815 ext. 716 or e-mail [sr.elaine@good-shepherd.org](mailto:sr.elaine@good-shepherd.org)  
Emily Weierman—489-8815 ext. 726 or e-mail [emily.weierman@good-shepherd.org](mailto:emily.weierman@good-shepherd.org)  
Walter Plummer—489-8815 ext. 737 or e-mail [walter.plummer@good-shepherd.org](mailto:walter.plummer@good-shepherd.org)



## Good Shepherd Adult Bible Studies Winter 2019

Good Shepherd invites you to join one of our Adult Bible Studies to enrich your New Year and enrich your understanding of the Sacred Scriptures. Come discover the depths of our Catholic faith.

Register on our website or complete and return the bottom portion of this flyer.

*\*When necessary, groups may be split due to large numbers.*

*The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy* Begins Tuesday, January 15

Facilitator—Kathy Jones 10 Tuesday Mornings 9:30-11:00 a.m.

If we consider that God is the Divine Bridegroom and the Church is his Bride, then the prophets can be seen as “spiritual marriage counselors.” They afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted, calling us to return to our covenant relationship with God. See how their powerful words speak to us today, shedding light on our faith and our lives.

*Bishop Barron's The Mass* Begins Tuesday, January 15

Facilitator—Michelle Weickert 7 Tuesday Afternoons 12:30-2:00 p.m.

This study on The Mass is the best way to immerse yourself fully into the beauty and mystery of the principle act of Catholic worship and faith. See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it revolves around a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.

*Psalms: The School of Prayer* Begins Wednesday, January 16

Facilitator—Pamela Groskopf 11 Wednesday Afternoons 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Walking into a new school can be intimidating, but this is not the case when you study Psalms. Not only do you learn how to pray, but more importantly, you learn the language of the Lord.

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## Adult Bible Study Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

		Cost
<i>The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy</i> —Tuesdays 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Begins January 15	\$25.00 _____
<i>Bishop Barron's The Mass</i> —Tuesdays 12:30-2:00 p.m.	Begins January 15	\$20.00 _____
<i>Psalms: The School of Prayer</i> —Wednesdays 12:30-2:30 p.m.	Begins January 16	\$25.00 _____
	<b>Total</b>	_____

Please drop off your registration form and payment (checks payable to Good Shepherd with Bible Study on the memo line) in the parish office or mail to: The Community of the Good Shepherd, Attn: Adult Bible Study, 8815 East Kemper Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45249

## Faith Sharing Small Groups

Join us whenever you can to share conversation, insights, and fellowship on our Catholic Faith. These ongoing discussion sessions will update your knowledge of Church teaching, deepen your spiritual life, and provide an opportunity to get to know fellow parishioners.

**Groups meet: Mondays at 9:30 a.m. beginning January 7, 2019 or on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. beginning mid-January.** This is a great way to gather in faith, share in hope, and grow in love. Questions, and to register, contact Emily Weierman in the parish office.



Join the Young Adult Ministry on **Wednesday, January 9 at 7:00 p.m.** in Room 29 for a New Year's discussion: New Year's resolutions and faith.

RSVP to Emily Weierman at [emily.weierman@good-shepherd.org](mailto:emily.weierman@good-shepherd.org) or call 489-8815 ext. 726.

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## A Christmas Prayer

Lord, as we pray before our Christmas crib we wonder and rejoice. As the magi came bearing gifts, may we, this Christmas, gift one another with the gold of charity, the myrrh of kindness and the incense of prayer. With the shepherds, we come to the birth of Christ seeking a simple celebration, where the greatest gift will be ourselves given to you, our God, and to each other. May the star of Bethlehem, which shone brightly over the first crib, stand guard over our home filling it and all the earth with light and peace.

*Prayers for the Domestic Church, Fr. Edward Hays*



The Flock is off for the rest of 2018! All teens in grades 9-12 are invited back in 2019 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Sundays in the Youth Room. Come for decent pizza, great people, and an awesome God!

Check out our upcoming events.

**Sundays, December 23 and 30**—No Flock Night  
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**Sunday, January 6**, Flock Night, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, January 13**, Flock Night, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

**Friday-Sunday, January 18-20**, Flock Winter Retreat, held at the Tau House in St. Bernard.

## Special Flock Events Coming Soon

- **Flock Winter Retreat—Friday, January 18 after school to Sunday, January 20 at 3:00 p.m.** (MLK Weekend), we gather to step back from the hectic pace of daily life to reconnect with God and hear how he calls us to live. We promise great games, fantastic food, awesome people, and an even better God. Permission forms are in the parish office and on our website. Contact Walter for more details.
- **Summer Youth Mission Trip 2019**—Tentative dates for our yearly mission trip are **June 16-22** with the Glenmary Home Missioners in Eastern Tennessee. Applications are available now in the parish office.



## Junior High

Here are our upcoming Jr. High events:

**Sundays, December 23 and 30**—No Sessions

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**Friday, January 4**—SixFortyEight Night (Jr. High Youth Night) 6:30-8:15 p.m. Youth Room—Pizza, drinks and snacks included. All 7th and 8th grade teens invited, parishioners or not. Bring a friend!

**Sunday, January 13**—Student Catechesis Session

**Sunday, January 20**—Student Catechesis Session


**Sunday, January 27**—Family Catechesis Session

**Friday, February 1**—SixFortyEight Night (Jr. High Youth Night) 6:30-8:15 p.m. Youth Room—Pizza, drinks and snacks included. All 7th and 8th grade teens invited, parishioners or not. Bring a friend!

**Sunday, February 3**—No Sessions on the first Sunday of the month

**Sunday, February 10**—Student Catechesis Session

**Sunday, February 17**—Student Catechesis Session



**Special Note for Confirmation Candidates:** Our next Confirmation Retreat option will be **Saturday, February 9**. Deadline for registration forms is **Sunday, January 20**. For registration forms or more information, check your inbox or contact Walter.

# Stewardship

Teri Cunningham—489-8815 ext. 738 or e-mail [teri.cunningham@good-shepherd.org](mailto:teri.cunningham@good-shepherd.org)

## Tax Year 2018 Contribution Deadlines

To make sure your contribution to the church is on your 2018 contribution statement, please note the following deadlines:

- Donations through the website—**Sunday, December 23, 2018**
- Donation envelopes/checks—**by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 31, 2018**
- Mailed donations—**must be post marked by Monday, December 31, 2018**

**Please note:** The date on your check is not the indicator of when a donation is recorded. For example, if your check is dated December 30, 2018 and the envelope is post-marked January 2, 2019, it will be recorded as a 2019 donation.

**Christmas envelopes that are received after December 31 at 5:00 p.m.** will be posted as a **2019** contribution unless they are mailed and postmarked in 2018.

Please call Teri Cunningham at 513-489-8815 if you have any questions.

## Donating Stock to Good Shepherd

To donate stock, forward the information below to your broker.

Company Name: Fifth Third Bank  
 DTC Number: 2116  
 Account Number: 0104471751DH  
 Account Name: Good Shepherd Parish

Your name and contact information must be on the delivery instructions.

**Special note to P&G donors:** Stock donations are handled by Wells Fargo. Please contact Teri Cunningham in the parish office at 489-8815 ext. 738 or e-mail [teri.cunningham@good-shepherd.org](mailto:teri.cunningham@good-shepherd.org) to obtain the instructions for your donation.

If you have any questions concerning stock donations, please contact Teri Cunningham. As always, we thank you for your generous support!

The Sunday Social will take place on the first and third Sunday of the month in the Community Room. Please join us for a light breakfast, and meet some fellow parishioners **on Sunday, January 6, 2019** after the 7:30, 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses and help us welcome in the New Year!

## Collection Information

December 9, 2018		\$ 56,631
YTD Collections		\$1,050,522
YTD Budget		\$1,041,386
Surplus/(Deficit)		\$ 9,136
Contribution Breakdown:		
	Quantity	Dollars
Envelopes	573	\$ 30,369
Loose Checks		\$ 6,557
Loose Cash		\$ 2,493
EFT/Charge Card Donors		\$ 0
Stock		\$ 17,213
Total (Thank You!)		\$ 56,631
Avg. donation per envelope		\$ 53.00

## Special Projects Update

We received \$179 from the past weekend for the Special Projects. The year to date total is \$11,192. To date, our balance in the Special Projects is \$216,767.



## Part-Time Evening/Weekend Office Help Needed

We are currently seeking a qualified candidate to join our part-time weekend and evening office staff. A team of five employees share the following hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 4:30-7:30 p.m., Tuesday, 4:30-8:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and Sunday, 7:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Staff members usually work 8-10 hours a week.

Successful candidates shall:

- Be proficient in Word and Excel.
- Be experienced with office equipment and procedures.
- Have clear and positive communication skills.
- Be able to work independently following written instructions.

Duties include assisting callers and walk-ins, registering new parishioners, filing, photocopying, and data processing.

Interested applicants should submit a letter of intent containing background information and references by Friday, December 28, 2018, to Teri Cunningham, The Community of the Good Shepherd, 8815 E. Kemper Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249. You may also e-mail [teri.cunningham@good-shepherd.org](mailto:teri.cunningham@good-shepherd.org).



# Around the Parish

December 23, 2018

Audio Visual: *Let Us Walk in the Light of the Lord*

Artist: Bob Losekamp

## Presiders for the Weekend of December 29/30, 2018

	Saturday	Sunday	9:00 a.m.*	10:30 a.m.*	12:00 Noon	4:00 p.m.
Presider	Fr. Bob Goebel	Fr. Jack Wessling	Fr. Mike Graham, SJ	Fr. Mike Graham, SJ	Fr. Jack Wehman	Fr. Jack Wehman
Announcer	Carole Meldon	Julie Burdsall	David Geppert	Maureen Flanagan	Ted McAllister	Linda Neenan
Lector	Meldon/Cecilio	Dean/Stettler	Shire/Harmon	Martin/Blom	K. & D. Krieger	Castelli/Lenett
Gift Bearer	Anderson Family	Daumeyer Family	Bierschbach Family	Martin Family	Adams Family	Heckenmueller Family

*An interpreter for those with hearing impairments will be present at the 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses in the church.*

### Masses for the Week

Mon., December 24	3:00 p.m.	In memory of Anthony J. Saliba (church)
	3:00 p.m.	In memory of Salvatore Vitagliano (community room)
	5:00 p.m.	In memory of John Paola (church)
	5:00 p.m.	In memory of Norman Frankowski, Sr. (community room)
	9:00 p.m.	In memory of Edward and Lucy Alfing (church)
	11:00 p.m.	Pat DelBrocco Birthday (church)
Tues., December 25	9:00 a.m.	In memory of William and Stella Hess (church)
	10:30 a.m.	In memory of Jim Reynolds (church)
Wed., December 26	8:30 a.m.	In memory of Norb and Loretta Obert
Thurs., December 27	8:30 a.m.	In memory of Jennifer Bissmeyer
Fri., December 28	8:30 a.m.	In memory of Nancy, Justin and Stephen Cosco, Arlene Wells, Jose Cerda Navarro, Loraine Wolf, Mary Field, Judy Vastine, John Harmon, Marian Niehaus and deceased family/friends, Peter Marino, John Banovich, Jennie Banovich, James Johns
Sat., December 29	4:30 p.m.	In memory of Gene Bonina
Sun., December 30	7:30 a.m.	In memory of Ralph Centola
	9:00 a.m.	In memory of Bob Reilman
	10:30 a.m.	The Community of the Good Shepherd
	12:00 noon	In memory of Obert and Watt Families
	4:00 p.m.	In memory of Thomas J. Burke

### Prayers Are Requested for the health and well being of the following:

Mimi/Earl Achberger	Joseph Degliuomini	Doug Koehne	Joe Novello	Ed and Ann Strotman
Michael Adler	Michelle Dolezal	Helen Kruse	Judy O'Hara	Sturdy Family
Valerie Ainsworth	Angela/John Dornbach	Mary Kulkarni	Hannah and Sarah Painter	Steve Suddendorf
Charlotte Alexander	Terri Doyle	Claire Kuprowicz	Renee Parker	Judy Sullivan
ALS Patients	Betty Effimoff	Nancy Langworthy	William Parker	Natalia Tanguma
Mark Anastasi	Curtis Ray Elder	Marilyn Larson	Larry Paul	Bob Tate
Chloe Anderson	Hazel/Chris Elder	Francis Lazar	Alexander Piening	John Tate Family
Ann	Larry/Gary/Jimmy Elder	Nicole Lazar	Fred Pledger	Judy Taylor
Megan Apple	Loretta/Lisa/Ashley Elder	Denise Leguillon	Ursula Pledger	Julia Theil
Eileen Armstrong	Rose Emo	Frank Lerner	Mary Pollock	Margaret Thompson
Susan Aylard	Sue Ann Ensign	Tom Like	Trevor Quan-Lazar	Keith Toft
Travis Baker	Nancy Fisher	Shirley Littlepage	Erin Radulski	Transplant patients
Diane Bean	Sam Fogle	Eric L. Losekamp	Joyce Re	Ann Trapp
Tom Beck	Jim Fuchs	Nancy Losekamp	Madeline Hope Rebori	Scott Trapp
Ethan Beckner	Gwenyth Gebhart	Rhonda Losekamp	(Roelker)	Andy Tucker
Chris Bissmeyer	Gelasi Family	David Lovell	Daniel Reesor	Anthony Ullman
Adam Boccher	Paulette Gerstemeier	Berta Mahler	Dan/Mary Rehm	Wes Umbreit
Natalie Bowman	Maureen Giglio	Helen Martin	Gloria Riedy and Family	Will Vance
Peggy Braitsch	Jo Ann Glenn	Anna May	Donald Robbins	Gary Voelkerding
Maureen Bramlage	Hannah Gluck	Susan McAndrew	Rohrer Family	Brian Vonderhaar
Dale Brown	Andrew Goad	Michelle McCarthy	Tracey Root	Tracy Waechter
Sr. Loraine Brown	Larry Goodwin	Eileen McClure	Marilyn Sayre	Mike Walker
Buddy and Family	Sandi Grether	Rick McClure	Ralph/Jean Schlueter	Mandy Wallace
Jamie Busemeyer	Pamela Gross	Helen McEvoy	Laura Schuckman	Patricia Wallace
Dottie Campbell	Pat Hack	Patricia McGrinder	Karen Scruggs	Walton Family
Jarrod Welling-Cann	Cathy Halstead	Claudia McKee	Philip Sewell	Kathleen Ware
Nick Carrelli	Lynn Harris	Paul Meinking	Mary Frances Sharpshair	Megan Weden
Angela Carroll	James Heileman	Matthew Merkle	Sophia Sharpshair	Karen Weitzel
Vivienne Center	Roy and Bradley Hern	Joe Migliaccio	Joseph Sheedy	Suzanne Weis
Major Vinnie Cerchione	Ann Hix	Military Personnel	Natalie Shepline	Jeff Wessel
Beverly Chartier	Marleen Hopkins	Michael Miller	Roger Sherman	Tom Westendorf
Elissa/Richard Chisholm	Betty Jo Hoyng	Tim Miller	Geoff Shudtz	Maureen Whitfield
Cathie Cimiluca	Ed Hubbard	Jeanine Monzel	Daniel Smith	Dan White
Bill Cleary	Dan Huddleston	Ann Morgan	Peggy/Bob Smith	Barbara Wilders
Lauren/Bryan and Baby Cobble	Hummel Family	Ellen Mueller	Kacey Spontak	Rich Wirth
Norah Cooney	Janet Hutzell	Corey Mully	Joe Stemple	Patricia Woeste
Randy Corgan	Pat and Jerry Jenkins	Joe Munz	Betty Stewart	Stephanie Woodward
Marnie Craven	John Jolley	Marilyn Myklebust	Sue Stewart	Cindi Young
William H. Curran Jr.	Nicholas Kaelin	Barbara Nagelhout	Marion Stickle	Sylvia Yutuc
Geoffrey Davies	Bob Keegan	Cindy Nagelhout	Apryl Strittholt	Michael Zegarski

### Military Personnel of our families currently in harm's way...

Captain Melanie Flege

Jonathon Hicks

Captain Mary B. Schafer

S. N. Augustine (Gus) Sharpshair

# Need to Know

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## Welcoming

We warmly welcome our new parishioners and guests who are joining us today. If you are interested in learning more about Good Shepherd, or would like to register as an official member of the parish, please stop by the Welcome Desk located in our main foyer. A member of our Welcoming Ministry will be honored to assist you.

## Baptism

Infant Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Please register for Baptism by calling Nancy Dallas (513-489-8815 ext. 761 or e-mail: [nancy.dallas@good-shepherd.org](mailto:nancy.dallas@good-shepherd.org)). Before the Baptism, parents need to attend a session to explore the meaning of Baptism. Sessions are held on the first Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m.

## Adult Initiation Into the Church

Adults and children (7 years of age or older) who wish to become Catholics are invited to call Emily Weierman, (513-489-8815 ext. 726 or e-mail [emily.weierman@good-shepherd.org](mailto:emily.weierman@good-shepherd.org)).

## First Eucharist (First Communion)

First Eucharist (First Communion) is celebrated on two occasions in early spring. Parents are invited to call Nancy Dallas (513-489-8815 ext. 761). Children are invited to the Sacrament when they are in the second grade or have reached the age of 7. Children receiving First Eucharist (First Communion) need to be prepared to receive *First Reconciliation (Confession)*. Preparation for First Reconciliation (Confession) begins early fall each year.

## Confirmation for Youth

Confirmation is celebrated in the spring each year for youth who have not yet received the Sacrament. Confirmation Preparation takes place within the 8th grade Faith Formation curriculum. Classes run September through April for next year's candidates. Please contact Walter Plummer with any questions (513-489-8815 or e-mail: [walter.plummer@good-shepherd.org](mailto:walter.plummer@good-shepherd.org)).

## Marriage

Marriages are celebrated throughout the year with exceptions made for Christmas holidays and the season of Lent. Please contact Steve Lindner for information (513-489-8815 ext. 702 or e-mail: [steve.lindner@good-shepherd.org](mailto:steve.lindner@good-shepherd.org)). Preparation for marriage begins eight months before the Sacrament is celebrated. For preparations, call Steve Lindner (513-489-8815 ext. 702 or e-mail: [steve.lindner@good-shepherd.org](mailto:steve.lindner@good-shepherd.org)).

## Pastoral Care of the Sick

### Anointing of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick can be offered when someone is seriously ill, requires surgery, or if the same illness or condition becomes more serious. Each week on Wednesday at 6:15 p.m., the anointing is offered within Mass (in the church). Please notify Deacon Dennis Berry (513-489-8815, ext. 708, or e-mail: [dennis.berry@good-shepherd.org](mailto:dennis.berry@good-shepherd.org)) in advance of your need. Our parish priests also come to the sick person at home, in the hospital, or at Hospice.

## Ministry to the Dying: Anointing and/or Viaticum

If a person is near death, he or she may be anointed. However, if the dying person is able to swallow, it is recommended that they receive the Eucharist as Viaticum. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick ought to be celebrated at the beginning of an illness. Viaticum is to be celebrated when death is close. The Eucharist, given as Viaticum, is food for the passage through death to eternal life. A priest or a deacon may give Viaticum to the dying person. When a priest is unavailable, it is important that the deacon visit the dying to pray with that person and the family and offer Viaticum. Please call the parish office (489-8815). After hours, please leave a message about the location of the dying person and your contact phone number. That message will be relayed to a priest or deacon.

## Reconciliation (Confessions)

Tuesdays from 5:30-6:15 p.m. in the Reconciliation Room in the church. Those attending the Sacrament can enter through the doors to the church, prepare in the church and enter the Reconciliation Room when they see the priest is not occupied with another penitent.

## Vocations

Single men or women interested in answering the call to Priesthood or Religious Life are encouraged to contact the pastor or the Diocesan Vocations Director at 513-421-3131.

## Annulment

For confidential information concerning annulments, please call Fr. Jack Wehman at 513-489-8815 ext. 748.

## Decree on Child Protection

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati's Decree on Child Protection is our way of protecting all of the vulnerable individuals in our community. If you suspect that someone is being abused, please contact the Coordinator of Ministry to Survivors of Abuse at the Archdiocese at 513-263-6623 as well as local law enforcement. In Hamilton County, you can contact Child Protective Services at 513-241-KIDS (5437).

## To Report Financial Misconduct

If you suspect the misuse or misconduct of Church finances, you may call the EthicsPoint hotline at 1-888-389-0381 or see the Archdiocese website ([www.catholiccincinnati.org](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org)) under Ministries & Offices, Finance and click the link "To Report Financial Misconduct." You will be taken to a secure site to file your report.

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## The Bulletin

All articles for the parish bulletin should be submitted 10 days before the given weekend. Please call Nancy Niehaus 513-489-8815 ext. 725 or e-mail: [nancy.niehaus@good-shepherd.org](mailto:nancy.niehaus@good-shepherd.org).

## Parish Meetings

Meetings of the Assembly of Leaders, the Finance Commission, the Education/Formation Commission, the Worship Commission, and the Pastoral Care/Outreach Commission are open to all parishioners to observe. Please call the parish office for information (513-489-8815). Meetings are announced in the *Coming Events for Good Shepherd* page of the bulletin.

## Parish Ministries

All members of the parish are welcome to join any of the parish ministries. For information and contact, please see the *Staff Page* of this bulletin.

## Psychological and Spiritual Care

To encourage professional, personal, or family counseling as well as spiritual direction, Dr. Jack Peltz or Deacon Dennis Berry, on staff here at Good Shepherd, would be happy to make referrals to psychologists, psychiatrists, counselors, and spiritual directors for those in need.

## Recorded Homilies

All homilies preached on weekends are available by downloading them from our webpage—[www.good-shepherd.org](http://www.good-shepherd.org).

## Low Gluten Hosts

Low Gluten (0.01%) hosts are available at all weekend Masses. Please come to the Sacristy 10 minutes before the start of Mass and let the Sacristan know that you are in need of this Low Gluten Host. At Communion time, come to the hand rail by the statue of Mary to receive the Eucharist.

## St. Vincent de Paul

If you have furniture or appliances that you wish to donate, St. Vincent de Paul will accept these donations and will pick them up from your home. To schedule a pick up, donate to a thrift store or donate a car, boat or RV, please call 421-CARE (2273).

## Contacts

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Blood Pressure	Jack Peltz	513.489.8815	Special Olympics	Bill Sutman	513.793.6112
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Communion Distributors	Deacon Dennis Berry	513.489.8815	Ushers	Steve Lindner	513.489.8815
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Christmas Gift-Giving	Steve Bullock	513.417.6004	Women's Prayer Group	Barb Hemmerle	513.793.4918
Comfort Bags	Marie George	513.256.0854			
Computer Recycling	Terry Albright	513.677.2140			
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Eucharistic Exposition	Luisa Cerda	513.328.2315			
Family Fellowship CMTE	Sandy Rivet	513.309.6018			
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Habitat for Humanity	Gerry Ellspermann	513.774.7595			
Healing Christ Ministry —A non-sacramental ministry of Good Shepherd	Theresa Kajs	513.706.6398			
Knitters & Crocheters	Jeanné Kilgore	513.779.9220			
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Men's Fellowship Group	Bill Cleary	513.312-5009			
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Sanctity of Life	Sandy Robinson	513.325.1834			
St. Vincent de Paul	Brad Dreier	513.831.0663			

## Quips and Blessings by Fr. Jack

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ, we pause to bless the Christmas manger scene. The practice of erecting such mangers was begun by Saint Francis of Assisi as a means to set forth the message of Christmas.

When we look upon these figures, the Christmas Gospel comes alive and we are moved to rejoice in the mystery of the incarnation of the Son of God.



From the *Book of Blessings*

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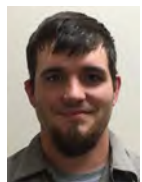
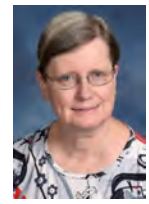
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Audio-Visual Technicians



Chris Banzhaf\*

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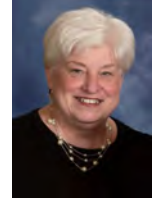
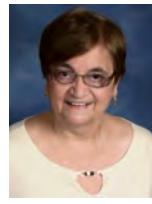
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