



Good Shepherd

Catholic Church

MISSION STATEMENT

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MASS READINGS

1 Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a; Psalm 85
Romans 9: 1-5; Matthew 14: 22-33

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Parental participation in a program to prepare parents is required. Family must be registered with the parish for at least six months. Contact the Parish Office at least three months in advance of requested baptismal date. Preparation sessions are first Saturday of every other month, 10:45am, Room 4.

Marriage: Couples are asked not to set a date for their wedding until they meeting with the pastor. Diocesan requirements: minimum 6-month period of preparation.

Annulments: If you or your current spouse are divorced, and remarried outside of the Catholic Church, please consider seeking the healing that an investigation for a Decree of Nullity can bring to you and which will enable you to return to a full participation in the sacramental life of the Church.

For **Marriage Prep or Annulments**, contact Deacon Nay Henriquez: 910-425-1590, jhenri823@gmail.com.

Other Sacraments, including Anointing of the Sick and Funeral Masses: call the Parish Office.



AUGUST 9, 2026

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL - 5:00pm

SUNDAY - 8:30am, 11:30am

DAILY

Tuesday 9:00am

Wednesday 6:30pm

Thursday 9:00am

Friday 12:00pm

HOLY DAYS - as announced

First Saturdays - 9:00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & RECONCILIATION

Wednesday - 5:30-6:15pm

Saturday - 4:00-4:45pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday - 5:30-6:20pm

First Fridays - 1:00-8:00pm

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THE SANCTUARY LAMP

will illuminate the Blessed Sacrament and **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** this week were donated **In Loving Memory of Mary Ellen Splawn**, given by Jim O'Connor.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Aug 8	5:00p	✠ Mary Ellen Splawn
Sun. Aug 9	8:30a	✠ Ty Bardon
	11:30a	People of Good Shepherd
Mon. Aug 10	No Mass	
Tue. Aug 11	9:00a	✠ James Coyle, Sr.
		Intentions of Kim Ngan Nguyen
Wed. Aug 12	6:30p	✠ Blanco & Virginia Gonzalez
Thur. Aug 13	9:00a	✠ Albert & Asuncion C. Cruz
		Intentions of Nosa Osifo
Fri. Aug 14	6:30p	✠ Shannon Burns
Sat. Aug 15	9:00a	✠ Maria Nguyen T. Viet
	5:00p	✠ Intentions of Father Thomas J. Gaul
Sun. Aug 16	8:30a	✠ Max & Pok Fortuna
	11:30a	People of Good Shepherd



Offertory Report for

August 2, 2026

Will be reported next week

FUNDS NEEDED TO MEET THE WEEKLY EXPENSES OF THE PARISH: **\$7,156.27**

Thank you for your continued support of the parish

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Mobile App:

1. Download **MyParishApp**.
2. select **Good Shepherd Parish (Hope Mills)**.
3. Click the **"Giving"** button & follow the directions.

Website:

1. Go to: *Good-Shepherd-Church.org*.
2. Click on "Online Giving" in the top right screen.
3. Click on "E-Giving & Contributions"

Thank you!



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING

for all current EXO ministers and new members
Tuesday, August 25th, 6:30pm in the church.

Our Parish This Week

Sunday, August 9 - *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am - Mass

11:30am - Mass

Monday, August 10 - *St. Lawrence*

6:00pm - Legion of Mary, Room 2

Tuesday, August 11 - *St. Clare*

9:00am - Mass

Wed. August 12 - *St. Jane Frances de Chantal*

5:30pm - Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions

6:30pm - Mass

Thursday, August 13 - *St. Pontian & Hippolytus*

9:00am - Mass

10:00am - Holy Stitchers, Room 6 (Social Hall)

Friday, August 14 - *St. Maximilian Kolbe*

No 12 Noon Mass

5:30pm - Choir Practice, Music Room

6:30pm - Vigil Mass for the Assumption of Mary

Saturday, August 15 - *Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary*

9:00am - Mass for the Assumption of Mary

11am - Catholic Daughters of America Installation, Social Hall

1:00-4:00pm - Kids for Christ, downstairs Social Hall

4:00pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Vigil Mass

Sunday, August 16 - *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

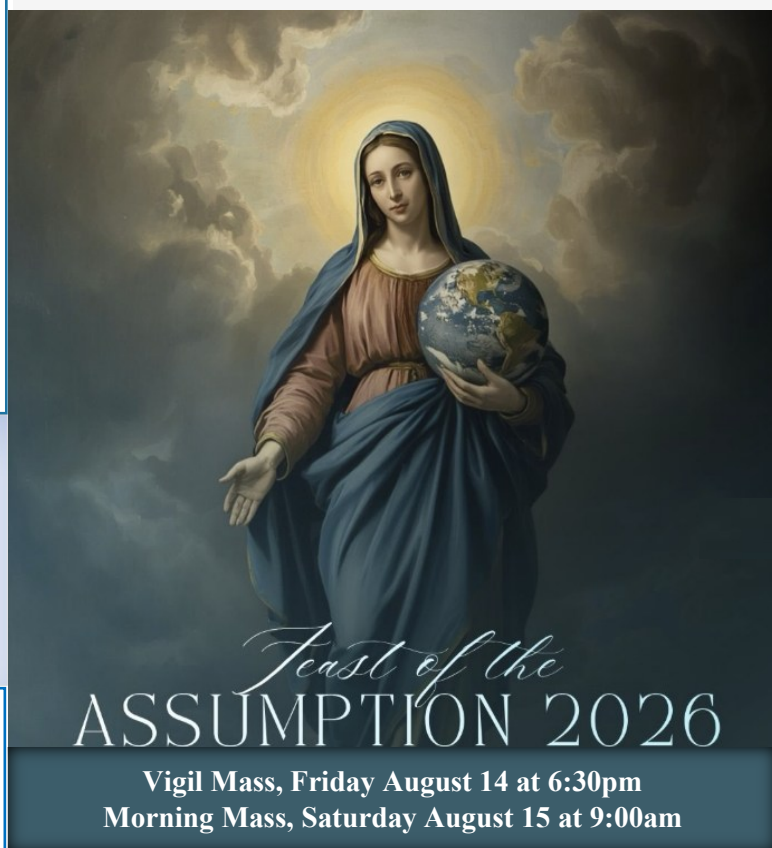
8:30am - Mass

9:45am - Adult Faith Formation talk with Deacon Josh,
"The Last Things", CAP Room in the Social Hall

10:00am - Confirmation I and II Catechists meeting,
Classroom 10

11:30am - Mass

4:45pm - Youth Group serves at Hope House



FAITH FORMATION

CATECHISTS & ASSISTANTS:

Remaining openings to be filled: Classroom assistant for Grade 3, Catechist and Assistant for Grade 6 and two hall monitors– one for morning and one for afternoon.

Please contact Barb in the Parish Office: 910-425-1590, ext. 200.

Catechist Commissioning Sunday is September 20th, 2026. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 27th.

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
to bring good news to the poor" Lk 4:18 -
Help renew the Church for another generation!*

Safe Environment Training – Diocese of Raleigh

At Good Shepherd, creating a culture of protection is part of our mission. All volunteers must complete the Diocese of Raleigh Safe Environment Training and annual online renewal to remain active in ministry. Thank you for helping us keep our parish a safe, welcoming place for every child, teen, and vulnerable adult.

Onsite training for first-time volunteers is scheduled for Sunday, August 23rd at 1pm in the CAP Room. Register using this QR Code or contact Barb Chapman in the Parish Office: gsccdre@gmail.com



Register Now for Faith Formation



✓ One form for faith formation classes and sacramental preparation

✓ Classes start on September 27, 2026

✓ Reserve your child's spot

Forms are by the Welcome Table in the Gathering Area.

Contact: Barb Chapman, gsccdre@gmail.com

Scripture Enrichment

Interested in how "the story began" through the Book of Genesis, its origins and the people who led the way? What was Mother Mary's role in all of this? Come join us on Wednesday mornings, 10:30-Noon in Room 2 for our **Scripture Study** starting August 26th.

*The Bible
God's Love Letter to us*

Another opportunity of how "our story" applies to today will be **Scripture Study** on Wednesday evenings from 7-8pm after the 6:30pm Mass. Join us to explore the readings of the day, heard at the evening's Mass or read on your own. We will begin on September 9th.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

*Come learn, return, and
continue your journey of faith.*



*For seekers, returning Catholics, and Catholics
needing the Sacraments of
First Holy Communion and Confirmation.*

If you are in full communion with the Church,
please consider being a Sponsor!

Contact: Camille Grupy at alcam2403@gmail.com or call
Barb Chapman in the Parish Office, 910-425-1590.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

All adults are invited to a talk with Deacon Josh Klickman on "The Last Things: Heaven, Hell and Purgatory".
NEXT Sunday, August 16 at 9:45am in the CAP Room.

GOOD SHEPHERD YOUTH GROUP

What will YOU bring to the table? Join us today!

Download the Remind app at...

<https://www.remind.com/join/2g7gahe3>

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This link includes your class code, so anyone who has the app can join our group instantly.
Use Code @4q278d

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PARISH OPPORTUNITIES

Summer is a time when many individuals and families move into our area. If you are new to our community — or already a parishioner looking for a new way to serve — we invite you to explore the ministries and groups of Good Shepherd Parish. Each group offers a unique way to share your gifts, build friendships, and live your faith through service.

Whether your talents lie in hospitality, creativity, organization or compassion, there's a place for you here. The more hearts and hands that join, **the greater the good we can do together.**

The **Widow's Watch** is a ministry for all widowed women seeking friendship, support, and a place to belong. Together, members offer one another companionship in a time of life that can feel quiet or lonely, filling that space with fellowship, prayer, and genuine care.



The women of this ministry share life in simple but meaningful ways — gathering for activities, offering encouragement, and helping one another with practical needs such as rides to appointments. They also serve our wider community through their support of Wreaths Across America, ensuring that every veteran's grave receives a wreath during the Christmas season.

The heart of Widows' Watch grows stronger with every woman who joins. More members mean more fellowship, more shared strength, and more opportunities to serve others with Christ's love.

If you are a widowed woman seeking connection, compassion, and a community that understands, Widows' Watch welcomes you with open arms. Come be part of a ministry where friendship becomes a blessing and service becomes a joy.

Contact: Camille Grupy, alcam2403@gmail.com.

The **Legion of Mary** is a ministry for parishioners, men and women, who desire to grow in personal holiness through prayer, fellowship, and loving service. Our praesidium, **Mother of the Eucharist**, follows Mary's example of caring for Jesus with tenderness, courage, and unwavering faith — and seeks to extend that same love to others.



Legion members meet weekly for prayer, spiritual formation, and planning of apostolic works. Their service is simple but deeply meaningful: visiting the sick and homebound, offering companionship to the lonely, supporting parishioners in need, nurturing the vitality of the parish, and encouraging devotion to Mary as the one who leads us most perfectly to her Son. Every act of charity is carried out in Mary's spirit — gentle, attentive, and rooted in love.

The Legion grows stronger with each new member. Its active members are molded into a close-knit family, held by a spiritual bond. More hearts mean more visits, more prayer, and new opportunities to bring Christ's compassion to those who need it most. Whether you feel drawn to deeper prayer, to serving others, or to learning more about Mary's role in the Church, the Legion of Mary welcomes you.

If you are seeking a ministry where personal holiness blossoms through prayer and loving service, consider joining **Mother of the Eucharist**. Come be part of a mission where Mary teaches us to care for others as she cared for Jesus.

Contact: Barbara Chapman, legionofmary.mote@gmail.com

Sick & Homebound Ministry

It is a calling. This is one parish ministry that is usually not the *first* choice. Parishioners come because they feel drawn or called to this work of mercy. That is what we hear so often from our members.

We bring Communion to those who are unable to attend Sunday Mass due to advanced age or chronic illness. Communion ministers are Extraordinary Ministers who have been approved by the diocese. However, the *Sick and Homebound Ministry* is open for other adults as well, because we visit in teams. Bringing the Eucharist is very important to these friends of ours, and so is the prayer and companionship they receive when we visit.



Step into the void and bring the Light of Christ to those who need and long for Him.

Training is provided. Contact Maria Rosario: 910-425-1590.

Want to join us?

Pick up a Welcome Packet or come see us in the Parish Office

If you come here to Mass every week, please register in the parish. Our membership database helps us plan for everyone's needs. Also, registration & active membership are required to receive these sacraments: Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage.

What is **Active Membership**?

1) Registration in the parish for a sufficient period of time and use of the envelope or EFT system in support of the parish; 2) Faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days; and 3) Volunteer and participate in Parish activities with time, talent, and treasure as means permit.

Sick, Homebound, Hospitalized: Please notify the Parish Office when someone is ill and unable to attend Mass for any significant length of time and would like to receive Holy Communion.

Bulletin Deadline: Requests must be received 14 **business** days **prior** to the weekend bulletin is to be published. E-mail your request to: **gsbulletinedit@gmail.com**.

If you are moving out of the area or have any other change of life status, please contact the Office so we can update the membership database.

A Welcome Lunch for new parishioners is sponsored by the Women of Charity about every three months. When you receive your invitation, please respond if you will or will not be able to attend, so the ladies can plan properly.

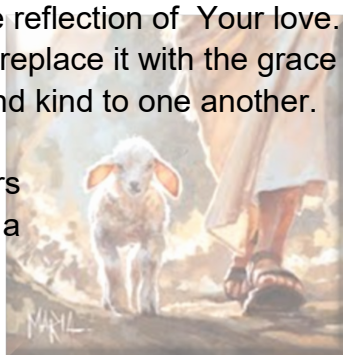
Most of all, **please join us! We would love to meet you!**

PRAYER TO OUR GOOD SHEPHERD

Lord Jesus, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon our parish. Transform our hearts and open our hands, that we may become a true reflection of Your love. Remove all judgment and replace it with the grace to be patient, welcoming and kind to one another.

May our actions draw others
To You, making our parish a
Beacon of Your peace.

Amen. ✚



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