



Good Shepherd

Catholic Church

MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Good Shepherd, we are a family growing in faith, enriched by diversity, serving neighbors.

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm
(unless otherwise posted)

Website: good-shepherd-church.org



MASS READINGS

Isaiah 5: 1-7; Psalm 80
Philippians 4: 6-9; Matthew 21: 33-43



OCTOBER 4, 2026

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

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 **In Thanksgiving**, given by Rosemonde Angrand.

ALTAR FLOWERS this week were donated **In Thanksgiving**, given by Rosemonde Angrand.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Oct 3	5:00pm	In Thanksgiving
Sun. Oct 4	8:30am	✠ Mary, William & Robert Dantes
	11:30am	People of Good Shepherd
Mon. Oct 5	No Mass	
Tue. Oct 6	9:00am	Intentions of Kim Ngan Nguyen
Wed. Oct 7	6:30am	✠ Hilary Sequeira, Lawrence Noronha, & Valerian Rebello
Thur. Oct 8	9:00am	Intentions of Cynthia Stoute
Fri. Oct 9	12:00pm	✠ Rosemary Rosenthal
Sat. Oct 10	5:00pm	✠ Roseanne Tomasko
Sun. Oct 11	8:30a	✠ Margaret O'Connor
	11:30a	People of Good Shepherd

Offertory for September 2026

Goal to meet our monthly operating expenses = \$30,000

Total Offertory Received in Sept - **\$25,463**



Totals for the month :	5:00pm Mass -	\$7,774
	8:30am Mass -	\$6,107
	11:30am Mass -	\$5,146
	Mailed in -	\$590
	Online -	\$5,846

September Offertory short - (\$4,537)

Thank you for your continued support of the parish

Easy Online Giving

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!

Second Collection next week, October 11th:
Priests' Welfare & Retirement

Thank you for your generosity

Our Parish This Week

Sunday, October 4 - *Twenty-Seventh Sunday, Ordinary Time*

- 8:30am - Mass
- 9:45am - **First Day Faith Formation Classes K-5**
- 10:00am - Adult Faith Formation with Deacon Josh, "Catholic Social Teaching", CAP Room in Social Hall
- 11:30am - Mass (Children's Dismissal)
- 1:00pm - **First Day Faith Formation Classes 6-12**

Confirmation I and II Parents—Stay with the class

Monday, October 5 - *St Faustina Kowalska*

- 6:00pm - Legion of Mary, Room 2

Tuesday, October 6 - *St Bruno, Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos*

- 9:00am - Mass

Wed. October 7 - *Our Lady of the Rosary*

- 10:30am - Morning Scripture Enrichment, Room 2
- 5:30pm - Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:30pm - Mass
- 7:00pm - Women of Charity/Thriving Parish, Gathering Area

Thurs, Oct 8

Social Hall Reserved

- 9:00am - Mass
- 10:00am - Holy Stitchers, Classroom 6 Social Hall

Friday, October 9 - *St. Denis & Companions*

- 11:00am - Widows Watch, Room 4
- 12:00pm - Mass
- 5:30pm - Choir Practice, Music Room

Saturday, October 10 - *BVM*

- 4:00pm - Confessions
- 5:00pm - Vigil Mass

Sunday, Oct. 11 - *Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:30am - Mass
- 9:45am - OCIA, Room 2
- 9:45am - Family Catechesis, CAP Room of Social Hall**
- 11:30am - Mass (Children's Dismissal)
- 1:00pm - Faith Formation Classes 6-12
- 1:00pm Confirmation II Rite of Covenant, meet in class**
- 3:00pm - Knights of Columbus 4th Degree, CAP Room



COMING THIS NOVEMBER!

GOOD SHEPHERD YOUTH GROUP

Looking for Service Hours to complete you Middle School and High School requirements?
Join the Youth Group!



What will YOU bring to the table?



Download the Remind app at...

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

This link includes your class code, so anyone who has the app can join our group instantly.

Use Code @4a278d jeanettehubbard1969@gmail.com

FAITH FORMATION

PARENTS, STUDENTS & CATECHISTS THIS IS **YOUR** DAY!

First day of Faith Formation Classes start this
Sunday, October 4th.

Morning Sessions (9:45am—11:15am)

Kindergarten- Kids' Room (Kitchen Wing of the Church)

Parents' Sacrament Preparation Class in the Youth Rm
Sacrament Preparation I & II and Elementary 3-5 will be
in the Classrooms

Afternoon Sessions (1:00pm—2:30pm)

Middle School 6-8 and Confirmation I & II will be in the
Classrooms

DRE Barbara Chapman will be walking around helping everyone find their place and to answer any questions. Otherwise, you can contact her in the Parish Office during the week: 910-425-1590, gscddre@gmail.com.

Please remember to contact the Parish Office to pay your fees. \$40 per child, capped at \$85 per family.

**Sundays,
During the
Liturgy of the
Word,
11:30am Mass**

**Two groups:
3-5
And 6-8**

Children's Liturgy of the Word



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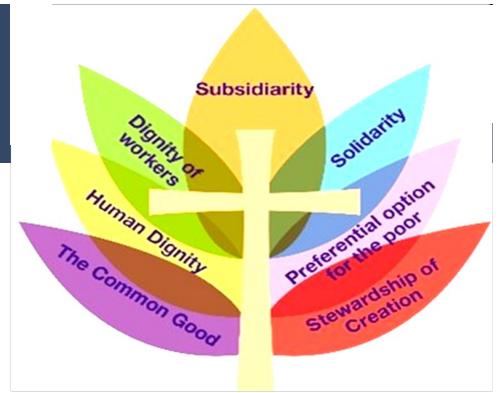
SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Like the preparation for Confirmation, this preparation is also a two year period. This is a vital formation journey designed to nurture your child's faith and relationship with Jesus Christ.

YEAR 1 is a foundational study in which the children focus on building a life of prayer, learning about the life of Jesus, and understanding basic Catholic truths.

YEAR 2 is active preparation to receive these sacraments—two profound gifts uniting us and reuniting us to God.

PLEASE KEEP THESE CHILDREN IN YOUR PRAYERS!



Don't miss this opportunity to learn about the *Social Justice Teachings* of our Catholic Church.

All adults are invited to join our OCIA group and Deacon Josh Klickman this Sunday, October 4th, at 10am in the CAP Room ("Children & Parents Room") of the Social Hall.

Catholic Social Justice teachings are our *moral compass* for today's society. What does human dignity mean in a digital world? How do we respond to poverty, racism, and immigration?

Instead of being formed by social media, workplace pressures, weekly news cycles and political parties, seek to form your faith towards a closer relationship with Christ, and a credible witness of the *Good News*.

CONFIRMATION I - What is the Rite of Acceptance?

The Rite of Acceptance is *not* an official liturgical rite of the Catholic Church. Rather, it is a pastoral ceremony which marks a milestone in the faith journey of the First Year Confirmation Candidates. This milestone acknowledges that the youth are entering the final preparations for full initiation into the Catholic Church. In this event, the youth **affirm** their desire to grow in faith and ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. They declare **their intention** to formally prepare for reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation, in which they will be **sealed with the Holy Spirit**.

CONFIRMATION II - What is the Rite of Covenant?

A covenant in the Catholic Church is a sacred, permanent, and unbreakable family bond of love and trust between God and His people. Whereas a contract is an *economic relationship* in an **exchange of goods and services**, a covenant is a *spiritual relationship* in an **exchange of persons**. A covenant creates a sacred family bond that is *permanent, unconditional, and indissoluble*. In the second year of preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Confirmation Candidates publicly affirm their intention to deepen their commitment and live their Catholic faith in the community.

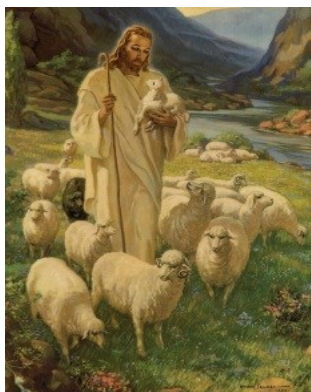
PARENTS/GUARDIANS, SPONSORS & GODPARENTS have a serious responsibility to support these young people preparing for and attending class and completing services hours, in their faith formation and promises that they have made, provide spiritual mentorship, model an authentic Christian way of life, and pray for them. Whether or not a young Confirmed Catholic stops practicing the faith might be a measure of *your* preparation and support.

Welcome to the Flock

We welcome the following new parishioners:

- ◇ Jerico & Trina Erguiza Family
- ◇ Nathaniel & Laura Gandara Family
- ◇ Rosemarie Pouliot
- ◇ Bryan & Mary Jane Pujanes Family

Please note: At Good Shepherd, we have a Welcome Lunch every few months for our new parishioners. When you receive your invitation, be sure to join us for a special lunch in your honor!



*May you be blessed by your active participation
in Good Shepherd Parish!*

Baptism

We congratulate Nathaniel and Laura Gandara on the baptism of their son, **Gabriel**.

May the Sacrament of Baptism bring many graces to Gabriel!

Just Married

We congratulate **Jesus Adrian Regino** and **Elida Nicol Ramos-Regino** on receiving the **Sacrament of Holy Matrimony**

*May the sacred covenant of marriage bring many graces
to Jesus and Elida!*

Parish Prayer List

~For our parishioners~

Rosemonde Angrand, The Bardon Family,
Thurman "Jim" Blackman, Nick & Elaine Caras,
Ginny French, Father Gaul, Kelly Hilliard, Joan
Hosking, Christa King & Family, Amanda Marshall,
Billy McComit, Karen Phillips, Maryann Poprik,
Lori Schneider, Martin Durkot, Vicki Start, Donald
Taylor, John Weber, Norma Williams, Erika Worley.

~For living & deceased priests/deacons in our diocese, & deceased parish members & loved ones~

~Friends & Family who need our prayers~

Marilyn Angeli, Jennifer Bigler, Susan Brancaccio,
Brooke Bruguier, Mary Cushen, Frankie "Skip"
Follette Jr., Dave Grupy, Andee Handeland,
Dorothy Hinrichs, Anastasius Kim, Fr Phillip Leach,
Mason Douglas Marvel, Susanna McLamb,
Theresa Moore, Margaret, Steven, Craig & Manda
Nicol, Bobby Nava, Nancy O'Bryan, John & Francis
O'Connor, Tom Pynkala, Scott Redinger, Linda &
Hank Richards, Maya Rivera, Filomena Samuels,
Mr & Mrs Tom Sanford, Reinilde Summers,
Edward Thompson, Barbara Quint, Walker Family
Grandchildren Ruby & Grace, Elvert Zarate, the lost
sheep of parish families.

~For Family & Loved ones serving in the military or first response teams ~

The Family That Prays Together Stays Together.

~ Venerable Father Patrick Peyton

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for October

For Mental Health Ministry



Let us pray that the mental health ministry be
established throughout the Church, helping
to overcome the stigma and discrimination of
persons with mental illnesses.

COUPLES FOR CHRIST This Vatican-recognized Catholic movement is dedicated
to renewing and strengthening **Christian family life**. It teaches couples to live out their
vocation through prayer, evangelization, and service, forming families rooted in Christian
values.

**We invite you to join us for a Christian Life Program (CLP). Let us rediscover God's
love together this October! Our next get-together is Saturday, October 17th 1pm,
downstairs in the Social Hall. Together, we will be talking about "Who is Jesus
Christ?"**

Please take the time to watch this 2-minute video clip to remind us of God's Love.

Go to: <https://tinyurl.com/GodLoveLetter>

For more information about CFC, visit: <https://northcarolina.couplesforchristusa.org/>

Don't wait until the world shapes your family—let Christ shape it through you.

Contact: Noli and Jane Punzalan, nolipunzalan@gmail.com



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.

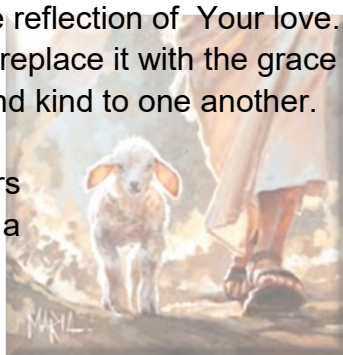
Most of all, **please join us! We would love to meet you!**

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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