



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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(unless otherwise posted)

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MASS READINGS

Isaiah 25: 6-10a; Psalm 23

Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22: 1-14



OCTOBER 11, 2026

Twenty-Eighth 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 Loving Memory of Donald Cook**, given by Brittany Gutierrez.

ALTAR FLOWERS this week were donated **In Honor of the Regino Ramos Family**, given by Guadalupe Salinas.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Oct 10	5:00pm † Roseanne Tomasko
Sun. Oct 11	8:30am † Margaret O'Connor
	11:30am People of Good Shepherd
Mon. Oct 12	No Mass
Tue. Oct 13	9:00am † David Mercurio
Wed. Oct 14	6:30am † All Souls in Purgatory
Thur. Oct 15	9:00am † Daryl Meiners
Fri. Oct 16	12:00pm † Teddy Beckles
Sat. Oct 17	5:00pm † Kaye O'Connor
Sun. Oct 18	8:30a † John Carney
	11:30a People of Good Shepherd

Our Parish This Week

Sunday, October 11 - *Twenty-Eighth Sunday, Ordinary Time*

8:30am - Mass
9:45am - OCIA session, Room 2
9:45am - Family Catechesis, CAP Room
11:30am - Mass (Children's Dismissal)
1:00pm - Faith Formation Classes 6-12

Confirmation II Parents—Stay with the class for the Rite of Covenant

3:00pm - Knights of Columbus 4th Degree, CAP Room

Monday, October 12

6:00pm - Legion of Mary, Room 2

Tuesday, October 13

9:00am - Mass
6:30pm - Parish Council

Wed. October 14 - *St Callistus I*

10:30am - Morning Scripture Enrichment, Room 2
5:30pm - Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration
6:30pm - Mass

Thurs, Oct 15 - *St. Teresa of Jesus*

9:00am - Mass
10:00am - Holy Stitchers, Classroom 6 Social Hall
7:00pm - Knights of Columbus, CAP Room

Friday, October 16 - *St. Margaret Mary Alacoque*

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

Saturday, October 17 - *BVM*

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive Weekend

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

Sunday, Oct. 18 - *Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am - Mass
9:45am - OCIA, Room 2
9:45am - Faith Formation Classes K-5
11:30am - Mass (Children's Dismissal)
1:00pm - Faith Formation Classes 6-12

Confirmation I Parents—Stay with the class for the Rite of Acceptance

Offertory Report for October 4, 2026

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

Total Offertory Received Oct 4 - **\$7,353**

Totals for the week :	5:00pm Mass -	\$1,630
	8:30am Mass -	\$1,942
	11:30am Mass -	\$2,736
	Mailed in -	\$425
	Online -	\$620



Remaining October Offertory Needed - (\$22,647)

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!



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100 YEARS OF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday
October 18th, 2026

Second Collection next week, October 18th:

World Mission Sunday

Thank you for your generosity

To include your deceased loved ones in the Novena Masses in November, please use an **All Souls envelope**. Envelopes are on the Welcome Table.

Please clearly print names and put the envelope in the Offertory basket.



Return by Sunday, Oct. 25th.

All Souls envelopes will be placed on the Altar for the month of November for the Souls of our loved ones.

FAITH FORMATION

Family Catechesis

This Sunday, October 11th in the Social Hall

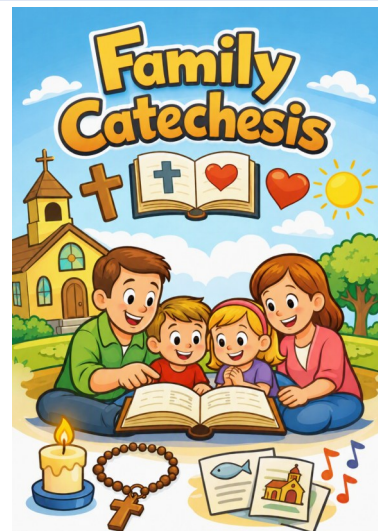
CAP Room at 9:45am. All families with children in Grades K-5, bring your kids!

Now, let's begin at the beginning.....

What is a FAMILY? Answer: The DOMESTIC CHURCH.

The Catholic Church recognizes parents as the first and primary educators of their children's faith:

Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children. They bear witness to this responsibility first by creating a home where tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and disinterested service are the rule. the home is well suited for education in the virtues. This requires an apprenticeship in self-denial, sound judgment, and self-mastery - the preconditions of all true freedom. Parents should teach their children to subordinate the 'material and instinctual dimensions to interior and spiritual ones.' Parents have a grave responsibility to give good example to their children. By knowing how to acknowledge their own failings to their children, parents will be better able to guide and correct them. (CCC 2223)



What is CATECHESIS? Answer: The lifelong process of teaching, forming, and handing on the Christian faith to children, young people, and adults. The Greek root meaning of the word means "to echo down", and so we pass on to our children the Gospel and what God has given to the Church. It is a lifelong journey to receive the Sacraments and to build a friendship and communion with Jesus Christ and with each other. (www.vatican.va/content/catechism)

What is FAMILY CATECHESIS? Answer: Parents and children gather at our parish once a month for shared learning of our faith. Families take what they have learned and implement it at home. Parents receive what they need to feel more confident and empowered to teach and discuss the faith at home with their children.

Our goal is to transform the catechism into a lived experience, in which our faith is shared and nurtured together. Parents learn that adult formation never ends and children have an opportunity to witness authentic discipleship and daily prayer in their everyday home life. We want to help build lasting adult faith and loving bonds between generations that keep everyone practicing their faith, and to create a network of families as practicing Catholics who can encourage and support each other, and play a role in sparking our parish vitality!

Okay, and finally.....

What is THE CAP ROOM? Answer: The room in the upstairs Social Hall to the back left as you enter.

C.A.P. is an acronym for Children and Parents, and we will see you there this Sunday at 9:45am ~ ~ ~

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The **Knights of Columbus Membership Drive** begins **October 17, 2026!** We invite all Catholic men of the parish to learn more about our organization and consider becoming a member.

Joining the Knights is a great way to:

- Grow in faith and strengthen your relationship with God
- Serve your parish and community
- Support charitable works and those in need
- Build lasting friendships with fellow Catholic men
- Help promote family values and fellowship



For more information, please visit our membership table after Masses beginning October 17. We look forward to welcoming new brothers to the Knights of Columbus!

PARISH EVENTS



ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY ALL GOOD SHEPHERD YOUTH INVITED

HOSTS: CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF HOPE 2809

Location: THE HALL FAMILY
946 BRISSON RD, PARKTON, NC 28371

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026
5:30PM – 7:30PM**

Wear your favorite costume and wear tennis shoes!
Haunted Trail!!
Refreshments will be provided!
Bonfire!
Halloween Games!
Family Welcome!!!

Please RSVP to the following email with a count of
how many are attending by October 17, 2026:
Saundra.Hall@gmail.com or Text 330-692-1817

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Fall Fair

VENDOR SIGN UP

**Sunday
November 15, 2026**

1:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Good Shepherd Catholic Church
5050 Oak Street, Hope Mills, NC

*May the Spirit
of the Lord
FALL upon you*

Registration and more details here
<https://forms.gle/bUgqeWTmbtxLPxU58>

Questions? Contact Clarissa Chase
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QUILTS OF VALOR

Hello Veterans!

The Holy Stitches would like to honor a Veteran in our parish with a **Quilt of Valor**. To be nominated, complete and return form by placing in the Holy Stitches jar in the Gathering Area by November 1, 2026. A quilt will be awarded from among the submitted forms the weekend of Nov. 7 and 8.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Age: _____

Branch of Service: _____ Year of Retirement _____ # Years of Service _____

Have you ever received a Quilt of Valor before: Yes _____ No _____

Additional Comments (please staple additional sheet):

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.

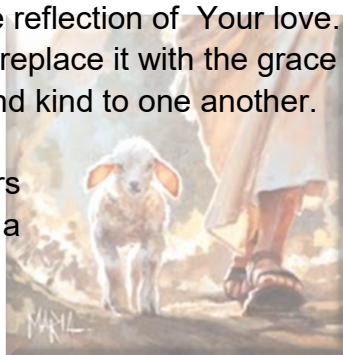
Most of all, **please join us! We would love to meet you!**

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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