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(unless otherwise posted)

Website: good-shepherd-church.org

MASS READINGS
Ezekiel 34 :11-12, 15-17;
Psalm 23; 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28;
Matthew 25: 31-46

NOVEMBER 22, 2026
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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 DeaconNayHenriquez: 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 and the Altar Flowers were donated this week In Loving Memory of Kaye O'Connor, given by James O'Connor.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat Nov 21	5:00pm ✞Kaye O'Connor
Sun Nov 22	8:30am ✞Preston Bonifate
	11:30am People of Good Shepherd
Mon Nov 23	9:00am No Mass
Tue Nov 24	9:00am ✞David Mercurio, ✞Robert G. Clark
Wed Nov 25	6:30pm ✞ Legion of Mary members
Thur Nov 26	9:00am ✞Robert G. Clark
Fri Nov 27	12:00pm ✞ John & Margaret Daley
	Intentions of Arulanantham Yagappan
Sat Nov 28	5:00pm ✞ Tony Brancaccio
Sun Nov 29	8:30am ✞ Tony Scarano, Tony Kirven, & Will Salley
	11:30am People of Good Shepherd

Offertory Report for November 15, 2026

Goal to meet monthly operating expenses = $30,000

Total Offertory Received Nov 15 = $7,085

5:00pm Mass	$1,358
8:30am Mass	$1,672
11:30am Mass	$1,723
Mailed In	$50
Online	$2,282

Remaining November Offertory Needed = $16,955

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 thedirections.

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!

First Friday – December 4th

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Mass at 12 noon. Adoration until 8pm.
Youth Group adoration at 7:00pm.

First Saturday – December 5th

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Mass at 9:00am. No communal rosary. Instead, offer a personal rosary as you help with Parish Cleaning Day:

Parish Cleaning Day – Saturday December 5th

Preparing Our Church and Our Hearts for Advent

As we prepare spiritually for the coming of Christ, let us also prepare the church that He calls home among us. Join us for a parish-wide day of cleaning, beautifying, and renewing our sacred space.

Our Parish at a Glance

Sunday, November 22 – Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
FAITH FORMATION HOME ASSIGNMENTS (no onsite sessions)
(Exception: Kindergarten will meet in Social Hall at 9:45am)
8:30am – Mass (OCIA Rite of Entrance)
9:45am – OCIA Session, Room 2
9:45am - Kindergarten Special Activity, Social Hall
11:30am – Mass **(Children's Dismissal)**
Monday, Nov. 23 - *Bl Miguel Pro, St Clement I, St Columban*
6:00pm - Legion of Mary, Room 2
Tuesday, November 24 – *St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions*
9:00am – Mass
Wednesday, November 25 – *St Catherine of Alexandria*
12:00pm - Parish Office closes for Thanksgiving Break
5:30pm - Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions
6:30pm – Mass (Thanksgiving Vigil)
Thursday, November 26 - *Thanksgiving Day*
No Mass & Parish Office closed
Friday, November 27
No Mass & Parish Office closed
Saturday, Nov. 28 - *BVM*
4:00pm - Confessions
5:00pm - Mass
Sunday, November 29 – ***First Sunday of Lent***
No Faith Formation Sessions / No Children's Dismissal
8:30am Mass
11:30am Mass



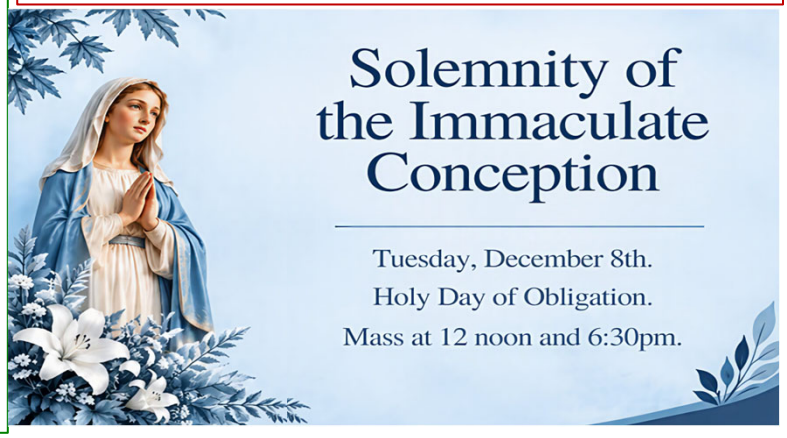
THANKSGIVING VIGIL MASS

Wednesday, November 25th at 6:30pm.

Join us first for Eucharistic Adoration at 5:30pm as we offer our thanks and gratitude to God for all blessings received this year. Mass at 6:30pm.

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

Wednesday, November 25th at 12 noon through Friday, November 27th.



FAITH FORMATION AND MORE

PLEASE NOTE: This year, Cumberland County Schools will be closed for the entire week of Thanksgiving. Because many families, including catechists, will be out of town, we will have no Faith Formation sessions onsite on Sunday, November 22nd and Sunday, November 29th.

PARENTS: Please look for a Flocknote from Good Shepherd Parish Faith Formation for an assignment to be completed during this time and turned in when we return on Sunday, December 6th.

KINDERGARTEN PARENTS: Your kids <u>will</u> meet on Sunday, November 22nd for a special activity. Please meet in the Social Hall at 9:45am.

Regular schedule resumes on Sunday, December 6th.

Youth Faith Connect
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Jesus did not establish His Church for people to go to class, receive a sacrament... and disappear.

First Reconciliation Family Session:
The Shepherd Brings Us Home

Parents and Children preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation: We will meet in the CAP Room of the Social Hall at 9:45am SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6th.



Light the Advent Candles this Season!

This year, Advent begins Sunday, November 29th. During the season of Advent, at the beginning of each Mass, a family will light the candles on our Advent Wreath. If your family would like to participate, please sign up on the sheet in the Gathering Area.

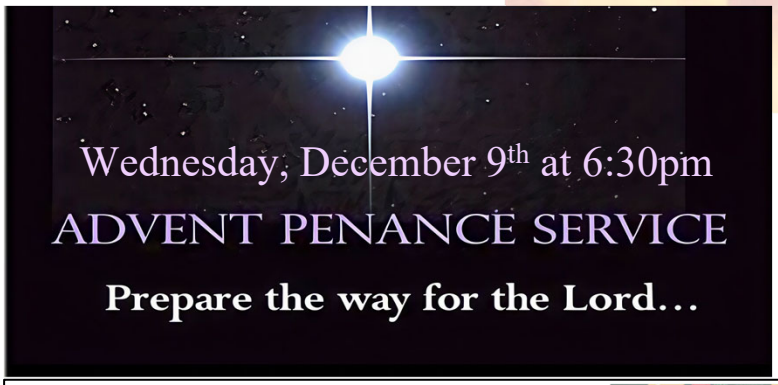
ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO PLAY A PART IN OUR CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!

After Thanksgiving, we will have PRACTICE until the Children's Mass on Christmas Eve.



Please contact Ms. Jeanette Hubbard to sign up! jeanettehubbard1969@gmail.com; 910-257-2959 Practice Schedule: Tuesdays in December, 6:30-7:30pm, until Christmas Eve, except: NO PRACTICE on Tuesday, December 8th.
Rehearsal at 3:30pm before the Children's Christmas Mass at 5:00pm.

To join the **Youth Group**, download the REMIND app and enter code: @4a278d



Women of Charity's Annual FunDraiser



We are asking for donations of new items, gift cards and certificates for our annual Christmas raffle/fundraiser. A Donations Box is in the Gathering Area. Please turn in monetary gift cards/certificates to the Parish Office. We always appreciate your generosity and ask that donations be turned in by **next Sunday, Nov 29th**. Raffle tickets will be on sale after each Mass on the weekend of Dec. 5-6th.

The <u>Raffle Drawing</u> will be in the Gathering Area <u>next</u> Sunday, December 6th at 1:00pm.

Advent Share Tree: Helping Our Parish Family



As we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ this Advent, our parish is hosting our annual **Share Tree**. This program connects generous parishioners with families and individuals in our own community who are experiencing financial hardship, illness, or unexpected life changes.

If you or a parishioner you know could use a little extra support this Christmas season, please fill out an application.

All requests are kept strictly confidential.

Application Forms are on the Welcome Table. Place your form in the collection basket in a sealed envelope marked *"Share Tree,"* or drop it off at the Parish Office.

- **Application Deadline:** Sunday, December 6, 2026

2026 FALL FAIR















Want to join us? Pick up a Welcome Packet or come see us in the Parish Office

If you enjoy our parish and would like to register, please pick up a Welcome Packet and submit your completed membership form to the Parish Office. 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. If you are moving out of the area, Please contact us so we can update the member database.

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 10 days prior to the weekend bulletin is to be published. E-mail your request to: gsbulletinedit@gmail.com.

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

WHAT IS A THANKFUL PARISH?

A thankful parish is one that recognizes God's goodness in all things: in our faith, our families, our friendships, our joys, and even in the challenges through which He helps us grow.

This Thanksgiving, may we pause to recognize how richly we have been blessed, and may our gratitude lead us to share those blessings with others.

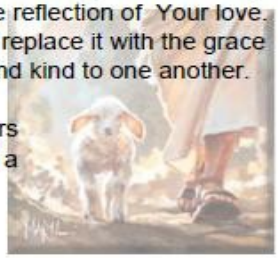
Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

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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Buildings & Grounds: Please call the Parish Office.

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for making our parish a fun, welcoming and vibrant home of faith. A church is more than a building. It is your warmth, generosity, and love for Christ that brings our community to life every single week. Whether you greet visitors with a warm smile at the door, serve quietly behind the scenes, serve in a ministry, or lift our community in daily prayer, your presence makes all the difference. You share in one another's celebrations, offer comfort in times of sorrow, and reflect God's grace in countless ways.

We come from all corners of the globe, and

OUT OF MANY, WE BECOME ONE

Thank you for the spirit of joy and fellowship you bring to our parish family. May the Lord continue to bless you and your loved ones abundantly!

With gratitude and prayers,
Father Arul and Staff

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