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OUR MISSION

The People of Good Shepherd are dedicated to Preaching the Word of the Kingdom of God by Service to the Community and Sanctifying the One Family of Faith.

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick: Call the Parish Office to schedule.

Marriage: Couples are asked not to set a date for their wedding until an initial meeting with the Pastor.

Diocesan requirements mandate a minimum six-month period of preparation. For Marriage Prep or Annulments, please contact Deacon Joshua Klickman: 919-632-7379 Joshua.Klickman@raldioc.org

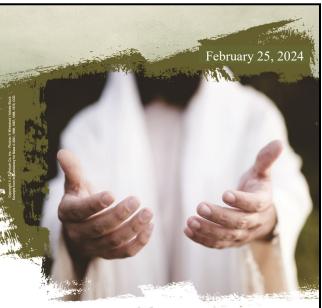
Baptism: Parental participation in a program to prepare parents is required. Contact the Parish Office at least three months in advance of your desired baptismal date to make the proper arrangements. **Baptismal Prep Sessions are the first Saturday of each month at 10:45am in Room 4.**



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SECOND ENTER SUNDAY OF

Jesus was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white.

Mark 9:2-3

Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18; Ps 116; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	8:30am & 11:30am
Holy Days	
First Saturday	9:00am
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	
Wednesday Evening Services	
Holy Hour	5:30pm
(Adoration & Evening Prayer)	
Mass	6:30pm
Thursday	9:00am
Friday	
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Mass at Carolina Rehab of Cumberland Second Thursday of each month, 11:15am

Reconciliation Times

 Saturday
 4:00-4:45pm

 Wednesday
 5:30-6:20pm

Or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Each Wednesday evening at 5:30pm and First Fridays of each month following Mass at 12 Noon, with Benediction at 9:00pm



Monday

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will illuminate the Blessed Sacrament this week:

In Loving Memory of Mary M. Ruppenkamp, Michael G. Ruppenkamp and Edward L. Ruppenkamp, given by The Ruppenkamp Family.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5:00p † Edward Gonzalez, Jr.

Sunday 8:30a † Jack Gaul

11:30a People of Good Shepherd Parish

No Mass

Tuesday 9:00a In Honor of Kim Ngan Nguyen

Wed. 6:30p † Jon Cason Caughman

Thurs 9:00a For the Intentions of the Osifo Family
Friday 12:00p † For All the Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 9:00a For All Teachers and Catechists

STEWARDSHIP

OF

TIME | TALENT | TREASURE

Fiscal Year July 2023- June 2024

Due to the bulletin company's early submission deadline, the Offertory for February 18 will be posted in next week's bulletin



Donating online is easy

Visit our website, good-shepherdchurch.org and click on the Online Giving Button and follow the instructions.

EFT donations are reported monthly

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

The Parish Social Life is searching for fresh faces to help with various activities planned throughout the Liturgical Year.

Is this ministry for you?

If interested or have questions, please contact Janice Scott at j2elscott@gmail.com, or 910-964-0927.

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH PENANCE SERVICE

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 20, 2024
6:30pm



This Week's Parish Schedule

Sunday, February 25 - Second Sunday of Lent

8:30a - Mass

9:45a - OCIA Inquiry Session 4, Library

10:00a - OCIA Class, Room 2

9:45a - Lenten Book Study, Room 4

9:45a - CCD Faith Formation K-5 Classes

11:30a - Mass

1:00p - CCD Faith Formation 6-12 Classes

Monday, February 26

6:00p - Legion of Mary, Room 2

Tuesday, February 27 - St. Gregory of Narek

9:00a - Mass

Wednesday, February 28

10:30a - Bible Study, Room 2

5:30p - Confessions

5:30p - Holy Hour

6:30p - Mass

Thursday, February 29

9:00a - Mass

10:00a - Holy Stitchers, Classroom 6 Social Hall

Friday, March 1 (Abstinence) First Friday

12:00p - Mass (followed by First Friday Devotion Prayers)

12:00a - Eucharistic Adoration unto 9:00p

5:30p - Lenten Soup Supper, Social Hall

6:30p - Stations of the Cross, Church

7:00p - Youth Group Eucharistic Adoration

7:30p - Youth Group Activities, Social Hall

Saturday, March 2 First Saturday

9:00a - First Saturday Mass (followed by Rosary & Litany)

9:30a - Refreshments in Gathering Area

10:45a - Baptismal Preparation, Room 4

4:00p - Confessions

4:25p - Knights of Columbus lead the Rosary, Church

5:00p - Vigil Mass

Parish Prayer List

In order to keep our "Parish Prayer List" current, we will clear the list of all names this Feb 29th. Please submit names of those you would like to have included in our 2024 Parish Prayer List to: gsbulletinedit@gmail.com, or contact the Parish Office.

Thank you!

First Friday Devotion in Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus March 1

12p Mass & Eucharistic Adoration until 9pm

(Sign up on the board in the Gathering Area)



First Saturday Devotion in Reparation to God and the Immaculate Heart of Mary

March 2

- 9:00a Mass
- 9:30a Rosary & Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 4:00p Confession
- 4:25p Rosary

FROM THE OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS are coming!

If you have children in elementary grades, this is the perfect opportunity to participate in this traditional Lenten practice. Why not make an evening of it by coming to the Soup Supper at 5:30, Stations at 6:30 and end the evening with the family watching a good movie together at home!

SOUP SUPPER - 5:30pm; Soup provided by the Holy Stitchers in the Social Hall

STATIONS - 6:30pm in the Church



LENTEN REFLECTION EVENING

Deacon Gary Stemple was a parishioner at Good Shepherd for many years who taught the Confirmation class and led part of the RCIA retreat. He entered and completed the five-year formation

period for the deaconate and was assigned to St. Ann Parish, Fayetteville. Deacon Gary is an engaging speaker with extensive knowledge of the Scriptures who can relate to having a family, a demanding career as a high school teacher and principal, and integrating a call to a closer relationship with God into a busy life. Are you experiencing a desire to deepen your relationship with God this Lent? If so, come to the Lenten Evening of Reflection **Wednesday**, **February 28th**, which will begin with Adoration at 5:30pm (includes opportunity to go to Confession) and Mass at 6:00pm. Deacon will present his reflection

"My Prayer Rises Like Incense" during an extended time for the homily. Mass will end at 7:00pm.

The Pillars of Lent

Prayer | Fasting | Almsgving



CRS RICE BOWLS ARE HERE!

Don't forget to pick up a Rice Bowl from the tables in the Gathering Area, which will provide an easy-to-follow guide to the traditional practice of **ALMSGIVING**.

Catholic Relief Services is one of the highest rated charities for effective use of donations, so you can be sure your donation will go to help the poor both overseas and in the U.S. Please return your Rice Bowls on Palm Sunday, March 24th.

ADULT FORMATION FOR FEBRUARY

All adults are cordially invited to attend the sessions offered by the OCIA in Room 2, 9:45am on Sundays (unless time/ location otherwise are indicated):

Feb 25 - Examination of Conscience & Confession

Mar 3 - The Nicene Creed (with Deacon Josh), 10am in CAP Room of the Social Hall

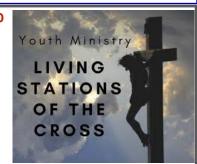
Mar 10 - The Lord's Prayer

Mar 17 - The Triduum

Mar 24 - Palm Sunday (Practice for Initiation Easter Sunday)

LIVE STATIONS ON GOOD FRIDAY

In March 1997, the Middle and High School Youth presented the Livings Stations of the Cross for the first time. Originally, it was presented inside the church on the Friday before Palm



Sunday, but is now presented outdoors on Good Friday. This live presentation has become a tradition at Good Shepherd for youth to lead the parish in a moving experience of the Stations and is open to all middle and high school youth of the parish. Interested youth who want to help present the live outdoor Stations on Good Friday are encouraged to speak to Ms. Jeanette, the Youth Minister, **next Sunday, March 3rd, 2:15pm in the Social Hall.**

KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED IN THE CHURCH?

A new Inquiry period session has begun. Sessions are located in the Parish Library on Sundays, 9:45am. Offer to attend a



session with your friend or family member—Inquirers are often more willing to attend if someone they know accompanies them. Be sure to let them know that the catechists are friendly, willing to answer questions and help any way they can.

For more info, contact Judi Summers, judithsummers503@gmail.com, or Jan Carnahan, 910-425-5617, or gsccdre@gmail.com

GOOD SHEPHERD YOUTH GROUP

Upcoming Dates:

Youth Group Eucharistic Adoration, First Friday, March 1st at 7:00pm

Youth Group First Friday Get-Together in the Social Hall, 7:30pm-10:00pm

Join REMIND for updates and information! (@4a278d)



LENT



Lenten Fasting & Abstinence

Fasting (only one full meal)
Ash Wednesday
Good Friday
Ages 18-59

Abstinence (no meat)
Every Friday during Lent
Ages 14+

Lenten Suppers and Stations of the Cross

Each Friday during Lent, we will share a meal and pray the Stations of the Cross together afterwards.

The Lenten "Soup" Suppers, which will be meatless, will begin at 5:30pm in the Social Hall. (Fish Fry on March 22nd)

Stations of the Cross will begin at 6:30pm.

A different parish ministry will lead the Stations each week:

February 16 Knights of Columbus

February 23 Legion of Mary and Pro-Life Ministry

March 1 Widows' Watch

March 8 Faith Formation K-5 Children

March 15 Father Arul

March 22 Women of Charity

March 29 GOOD FRIDAY—Middle School and High

School Youth Outdoor Living Stations

Thank you to the Youth Group and Widows' Watch for providing the Soup Supper this past Friday!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 23rd-24th: Palm Sunday of the

Passion of the Lord

Monday, March 25:

9:00a— Holy Monday Mass

Tuesday, March 26:

NO Daily Mass

Chrism Mass, Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral (Raleigh)

Wednesday, March 27:

Regular Wednesday evening schedule

EASTER TRIDUUM

Thursday, March 28: Holy Thursday

7:00p—Mass of the Lord's Supper

After Mass, Adoration in the Chapel of Repose (with

Knights of Columbus Honor Guard)

11:45pm—Night Prayer & Reposition in the Chapel

Friday, March 29: Good Friday

3:00p—Good Friday Service with Youth Outdoor Living

Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 30: Holy Saturday

8:00p—Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, March 31: Easter Sunday

(with OCIA Initiation)

8:30a-Mass

11:30a-Mass

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY



40 Days for Life Spring Campaign Feb 14—Mar 24, 2024

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion.

To register and sign up for hours to pray at the abortion center, please visit https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/

https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/ fayettevillenc

To join our Pro-Life Ministry, please contact Chastidy Hall at: chashall@sbcglobal.net, or (330) 692-1818

Spiritual Adoption 2024

This Ash Wednesday, we spiritually adopted two babies in danger of being aborted. Please cut out the Spiritual Adoption Prayer and pray together with your family for the well being of these little ones. Your prayers CAN make a difference between whether a baby will be born...or aborted. Our prayers can also be a form of spiritual support for both of the parents. Please share the love of life given to you by the Lord of all life and join in spiritually adopting a baby.

Spiritual Adoption Prayer

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg of you to spare the lives of Noah and Gabriela, the unborn babies I have spiritually adopted, who are in danger of abortion. Amen."

Prayer format by Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Pray this prayer every day for nine months—the whole time the baby is in the mother's womb-asking the Holy Family to save the baby's life. You may never meet the baby you spiritually adopted while you are on earth, but you surely will in Heaven!

Babies' Names: Noah & Gabriela Date Adopted: February 14, 2024 Due Date: November 20, 2024





Your PARISH COUNCIL wants to

start a committee to advise our Parish on various remodeling projects. We are looking for individuals

who have experience in painting, carpet removal/installation and upholstering.

The Committee will outline for companies what is needed to fulfill the requirements that will meet our Parish needs.

Contact your Parish Council Chairperson, Joe Bierkortte at postalbernie@yahoo.com







WOMEN OF CHARITY

are requesting the following donations so our children will enjoy a treat at Easter:





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Holiday pencils, crayons, small stuffed animals, small toys and individually wrapped candies. A box for these donations is available in the Gathering Area.

We are always grateful for your support!

Congratulations

We congratulate Juan Luis Rodriguez on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

We also congratulate Zackari
Abeyta and Emily Newton on
the Baptism of their daughter
Carellen Elizabeth Abeyta.



May the joy of receiving these Sacraments of Initiation bring many graces to Juan, Carellen and their families!

The 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal funds many ministries that allow us to proclaim the Gospel and reach even the most remote areas of Eastern North Carolina. Your support plays a critical role in funding ministries in the areas of evangelization, discipleship, worship, liturgy, sacramental preparation, and a wide variety of programs that pour forth God's grace, love and mercy.

The best way to donate is online at:
givetobaa.org
Select Good Shepherd Parish, Hope Mills in the
"Select Parish" dropdown menu

Together, we are LEARNING FROM OUR HISTORY, AND SHAPING OUR FUTURE

Our Good Shepherd 2024 BAA Goal is: \$51,304.79 We offer our heartfelt prayers and condolences to the family & friends of **George Emerick**. George was a long-time parishioner of Good Shepherd.

He was born into life on February 25, 1933 and called to eternal life on February 19, 2024.

A Funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 12pm at Good Shepherd Catholic Church.

Committal at Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery at 2pm.

May the soul of George rest in eternal peace.

Please continue to keep him and his family in your prayers.

Congratulations

We congratulate
Michael and
Barbara
Chapman on
receiving the
Convalidation of
Marriage.



May the joy of receiving this Sacrament bring many graces to Michael, Barbara and their family!



We have many place here at Church that are perfect for focusing your mind on the Rosary. As you come in the Parking Lot, on the left is a Rosary Garden, made and maintained by Good Shepherd's Confirmation II classes since 2017. You can walk the

Rosary as you pray. As you leave the Parking Lot, on the left is the Mary Grotto. Benches are available to sit while you pray. We also have a Stations of the Cross Walking Path, located behind the gazebo. Free Rosaries are available on the Welcome Table.



SAVE THE DATE

Friday, March 22 11:00am-7:00pm

Knights of Columbus Council # 2238

Cumberland County Senior Expo 2024

Exhibits: Caregiving, Health & Wellness, Senior Housing, Retirement Living, Legal Services, Community Resources, Downsizing, Health Screenings, Finances, & More!

Friday, March 8, 2024, 10am-2pm

Hope Mills Recreation Center 5766 Rockfish Rd, Hope Mills 910-433-1248



Welcome to our Community!

Take a Welcome Packet from the **Welcome Table** in the Gathering Area, visit the Parish Office, or go online: www.good-shepherd-church.org.

Though a simple act, registration is a sign of one's commitment and responsibility to the parish and allows the parish to know how many families live in the parish. It also provides an official record of your **Active membership** and is **essential for participation** in parish programs and sacraments.

What is an **Active Membership?** Three points determine active membership:

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

Please note: The Facilities and Services of Good Shepherd Church are available to active members.

<u>Sick and Homebound/Hospitalized:</u> 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.

<u>Bulletin Deadline</u>: Requests must be received 10 days <u>prior</u> to the weekend the announcement is to be published. E-mail your request to: **gsbulletinedit@gmail.com**. **Special Needs**: Handicapped accessible doors are

located on the left side of the Gathering Area.
Wheelchair seating is available in the front row of **chairs** in

the Church. Cars must display a valid handicap sticker or placard to park in the reserved handicap spaces in the Church parking lot.

Moving? Please contact the Office and let us know.

PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

Almighty God, my parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly if I am. It will be holy if I am. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. It will do

great work if I work. It will be prayerful if I pray. It will make a generous gift for so many causes if I am a generous giver. It will bring other people into its worship if I invite and bring them. It will be a parish family of loyalty and love, fearlessness and faith, compassion, charity, and mercy if I — who make it what it is — am filled with the same qualities. Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Bless my journey, Lord God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Bless my journey, Lord God that I might follow Jesus and build the Church for your glory. Amen.

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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Father, we're your people, the work of your hands. So precious are we in your sight that you sent your Son, Jesus.



Jesus calls us to heal the broken-hearted, to dry the tears of those who mourn, to give hope to those who despair, and to rejoice in your steadfast love. We, the baptized, realize our call to serve.

Help us to know how. Call forth from among us priests, sisters, brothers and lay ministers. With our hearts you continue to love your people.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. **Amen.**

(USCCB Prayers for Vocations)

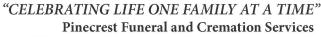


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