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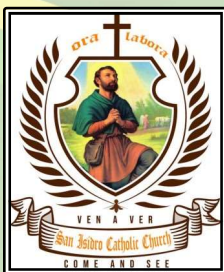
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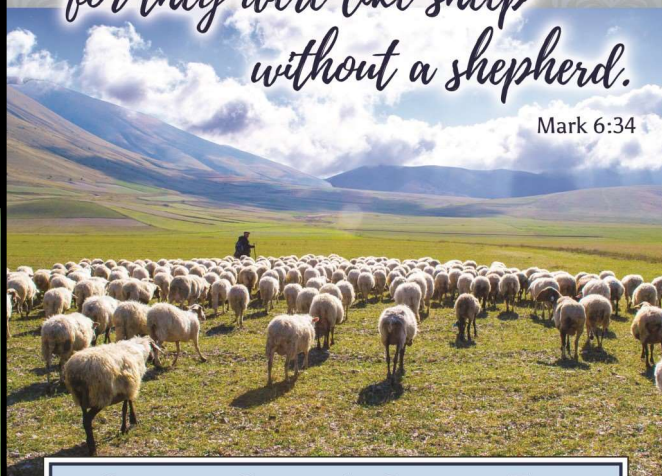
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When Jesus saw the vast crowd,
his heart was moved with pity for them,

*for they were like sheep
without a shepherd.*

Mark 6:34



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 18, 2021

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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.



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm

Sunday 8:30 am & 11:30 am

Holy Days 12:00 pm & 6:30 pm

First Saturday 8:10 am

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 9:00 am

Wednesday Evening Services

Holy Hour 5:30 pm

(Adoration, Rosary, Evening Prayer)

Mass 6:30 pm

Thursday 9:00 am




Friday 12:00 pm

Reconciliation Times

Saturday 4:00-5:00 pm

Wednesday 5:30-6:20 pm

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

Saturday, July 17 10:00a: Funeral Mass 4:00p: Reconciliation 5:00p: Pro-Life Rosary 5:30p: Mass Health of Kevin & Helia Cabral <i>Readings: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1,10-15; Mt 12:14-21</i>	Tuesday, July 20 St. Apollinaris 9:00a: Mass †David Mercurio 6:30p: Vacation Bible School <i>Readings: Ex 14:21-15:1; Ex 15:8-10,12,17; Mt 12:46-50</i>	Friday, July 23 St. Bridget 12:00p: Mass †Hector Ramos †Francis & Susana Kim <i>Readings: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23</i>	Flocknote Updates The Church is now using Flocknote to communicate through emails and text messages. If you have not received emails from the Church, please contact the Office, 425-1590 to update your information. 
Sunday, July 18 Sixteenth Sunday in OT 8:30a: Mass People of Good Shepherd 11:30a: Mass †Diosdada Endab <i>Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34</i>	Wednesday, July 21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi 5:30p: Reconciliation 5:30p: Holy Hour 6:30p: Mass †Bill Hinrichs <i>Readings: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9</i>	Saturday, July 24 St. Sharbel Makhluf 4:00p: Reconciliation 5:30p: Mass †SGM Robert Pickel <i>Readings: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2,14-15; Mt 13:24-30</i>	
Monday, July 19 No Mass 6:30p: Legion of Mary <i>Readings: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42</i>	Thursday, July 22 St. Mary Magdalene 9:00a: Mass †Robert G. Clark 10:00a: Holy Stitches <i>Readings: 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6,8-9; Jn 20:1-2,11-18</i>	Sunday, July 25 Seventeenth Sunday in OT 8:30a: Mass In Thanksgiving 11:30a: Mass People of Good Shepherd <i>Readings: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15</i>	 The Sanctuary Light will illuminate the Blessed Sacrament this week in Loving Memory of Anthony & Ruth Marie Damico, given by the Carter Family.
			 The Altar flowers this week are given In Loving Memory of Mary Johnson, given by the Johnson Family.

FROM THE OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation Registration

FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS FOR 2021-2022

Faith Formation Sessions for Kindergarten to 12th Grade will begin September 26, 2021. Please register your children as soon as possible. Registering early helps the Office order the correct number of books and keeps us from ordering too many. Letters will be sent home for parents and guardians of teens entering into Confirmation Prep. Years 1 & 2 for a Parent/Guardian Meeting prior to the beginning of September sessions. Registration forms are available on the Welcome Table, online on the Parish webpage, and via the Office.

Completed Registration Forms may be submitted:

- 1) Online by emailing Registration Form to Trish
- 2) Through the Offertory Basket during Sunday Mass (please mark the envelope Faith Formation)
- 3) Dropped off directly to the Faith Formation Office.

Faith Formation Fees can be submitted:

- 1) Online via the Parish website
 - 2) Cash or Check in Offertory Basket (put Faith Formation in the memo)
 - 3) Cash, Check, or Credit Card in the Office during Office Hours.
- Contact Trish, DRE at (910)425-5617 with any questions.

A Tremendous Thank You to all who volunteered to help this year with Vacation Bible School.

Thank You Catechists

Thank You Financial Donors

Thank You Parents

Thank You Kids

Kid's Corner

Check out the new Kid's Corner on the Welcome Table. Each week new activities for kids will be available. Pick them up before or after Mass.

Adult Bible Study

Are you interested in understanding the Bible more? Join our Adult Bible Study. A new session begins Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 10:30 am and continues each Wednesday at the same time.

This session will focus on the Book of Proverbs, led by the DRE, Trish. Please bring a Bible to each session. A Registration Sheet is located on the Welcome Table.



BAPTISM INFORMATION

For those who would like their child baptized, please contact the Office at (910)425-1590. You will need to register two weeks in advance to attend the Baptismal Prep Class before your child can be baptized.

2021 Upcoming Baptismal Prep Dates

July 18 August 8 September 12

A Message from Our Priest

Feast of St. Mary Magdalene

On July 22, the Church keeps the Festival of St. Mary Magdalene, Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. There is much that might be said about who she is; particularly if you have paid attention to popular books and movies of the last thirty years, because a person named "Mary Magdalene" has often been a major character in such works. And so, who is Mary Magdalene, this woman weeping outside the tomb? In general, she is the example of a notable sinner who became a great saint. The three most important things to say about her is that, one, she is here weeping, as if we might weep when our life feels completely lost, confused, and hopeless; two, that she is a Saint, and three, before she was a Saint, she was a sinner. Why she is a Saint has everything to do with why she was a sinner. She was a sinner because we are told clearly by Saint Luke 8:1-3 that she is a woman from whom seven demons had gone out. "Seven" both in ancient culture as well as the Church is a symbol of perfection—think of the seven days of creation, the seven churches in the Book of Revelation, the seven Sacraments, the seven Capital (or Deadly) sins, and a whole lot more. So, for Mary Magdalene to have been possessed by seven demons meant she was not merely a garden-variety sinner, but a perfect sinner, or a total example of how not to live. And "Charity shall cover the multitude of sins." Probably she is to be identified with that sinful woman who crashed the Pharisee's banquet with an alabaster box of ointment and anointed Jesus' feet, and received forgiveness of sins. "I tell you", says Jesus, "her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much". St. Mary Magdalene is a witness to the triumph of love and charity. We should find in ourselves the courage and the strength to do as St. Mary Magdalene had done, in her desire to love and to follow the Lord with all of her heart. We should be sincere and genuine in our faith, not just through mere words alone, but indeed through actions and deeds. We must seek out the Lord with all of our hearts and with all of our efforts. We can hardly mention the word "Charity" without recalling St. Paul's great hymn of charity in the 13th chapter of 1st Corinthians, one of the best-known and most loved

passages of scripture. True charity is to know and will the eternal good, to see beyond this or that particular earthly thing. Without charity, says St. Paul, all our gifts are worthless.

And the Scripture lessons will have to do with her place as a witness to Jesus' Resurrection. Just what her earlier life had been, we do not know precisely. And she witnesses to his Resurrection, not just because she was present at the empty tomb on Easter morning, and met the Risen Christ in the garden, but also surely, because she was one whose life was made new in Jesus Christ. By her conversion of life, she witnesses to the Resurrection, and proclaim new life to all who follow Jesus. "Go and tell my brethren", he bids her.

In the words of Saint Paul, Mary was now fully in Christ, and because of that, she was a new creation. All the old in her past away, and the new had come. She was still passionate, emotional, and embodied, but now her formerly sinful desires were rightly ordered to God, rightly ordered to her Maker, her Lover, her Keeper. With what passion, charisma, and presence must she have proclaimed to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!" For this, her whole journey from perfect sinner to perfected apostle to the apostles, she is venerated and celebrated as a Saint—an example for all time.

We must pray and work for clearer vision and more steadfast will, that the new life of Jesus' resurrection may be perfected in us, that we with Mary, may be witnesses of that resurrection. God has given us many opportunities in order to redeem ourselves and find our way back to Him. He has shown Himself to St. Mary Magdalene first before all other of His disciples, in a very deeply symbolic meaning of the resurrection, which He shares with all of us who have decided to leave behind our life of sin and darkness behind, and embrace the new light of Christ, His love and mercy.

Saint Mary Magdalene, restored to health of body and mind and first witness of the resurrection, pray for us. Amen.

Be Blessed and Be a Blessing.

Fr. Arul Yagappan, MSFS.

OFFERING

Fiscal Year (July-June)	Goal	Current Total
Offertory	\$370,000	\$11,128
½ Can/Day	\$25,000	\$503
St. Isidore Land Debt	\$19,200	\$1,044

July	Offertory	Second Collection
July 4	\$4,905	\$1,547
July 11	\$6,223	\$1,389
July 18		
July 25		

Monthly	Goal	Current Total
Last Month	\$28,460	\$21,050
July	\$28,460	\$11,128
½ Can/Day	\$2,083	\$503
St. Isidore Land Debt	\$1,600	\$1,044

Offertory can be donated online. Visit our website and click on E-giving.

**For more information,
please contact Finance
Chair.**

This Sunday's Second Collection

Share Sunday is also a once-a-month collection that is distributed to several charities and social organizations, within the local area and our own parishioners. The five charities we support are; ALMS House, Hope House, San Isidore Mission, CARE Clinic and St. Ann's Catholic School. We also support our own parishioners in need. The list of recipients and the distribution percentage is reviewed and adjusted by the Parish Council annually. Donations of food and other items are distributed to the ALMS House, Catholic Charities and our own food bank.



First Friday Adoration

In honor to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament occurs on the First Friday of the month. Eucharistic Adoration is August 6, 2021.

There is a change to Adoration times starting in August.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin right after 12:00 pm Mass continue to Saturday at 8:00 am. We hope this allows for those who cannot travel at night to spend time with our Lord.

To ensure that our Lord is not alone, we ask for two volunteers to sign up for each hour of Adoration. Sign up sheet is located in the Gathering Area or sign up on our website. You do not have to sign up to come to Adoration, you may come at anytime.



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

During her apparition at Fatima, Our Lady said to Lucia, "I shall come to ask...that on the first Saturday of every month, communions of reparation be made at one moment for the sins of the world. Tell them that I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, in order to make reparation to me, on the first Saturday for five successive months - go to confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the twenty mysteries of the Rosary."

August 6, 2020

Mass: 8:00 am

Confession: 4:00-5:00 pm

Rosary: 5:00 pm

VOCATIONS CHALICE

Please sign up to take the Vocations Chalice on the Welcome Table

The Prayer for Vocations:

Heavenly Father, Bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Help those who have embraced the consecrated life to live up to their promises. Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in Him, with Him and through Him we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Pope Francis has announced the creation of a new international day to honor grandparents and the elderly, which will take place this year on July 25. The World Day for the Grandparents and the Elderly will be held annually on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the feast of the grandparents of Jesus, Saints Joachim and Anne. "The Holy Spirit ... arouses thoughts and words of wisdom in the elderly today: their voice is precious because it sings the praises of God and guards the roots of peoples. They remind us that old age is a gift and that grandparents are the link between generations, to transmit to young people an experience of life and faith," Pope Francis said in the library of the Vatican's Apostolic Palace Jan. 31.

Pope to grandparents, all elderly people: 'You are needed'

"While it is true that the energy and enthusiasm of the young is needed to help set the global society on a new path, 'our dreams of justice, of peace, of solidarity can make it possible for our young people to have new visions,' the pope wrote. 'You need to show that it is possible to emerge renewed from an experience of hardship. I am sure that you have had more than one such experience: in your life you have faced any number of troubles and yet were able to pull through. Use those experiences to learn how to pull through now.'"

"I also think of my own grandparents, and those among you who had to emigrate and know how hard it is to leave everything behind, as so many people continue to do today, in hope of a future," he said. "Some of those people may even now be at our side, caring for us. These kinds of memory can help to build a more humane and welcoming world."

Turning to the importance of prayer, Francis cited "my predecessor, Pope Benedict, himself a saintly elderly person who continues to pray and work for the church" at the age of 94.

"The prayer of the elderly can protect the world, helping it perhaps more effectively than the frenetic activity of many others," the pope quoted his predecessor as saying. "He spoke those words in 2012, toward the end of his pontificate. There is something beautiful here."



Spiritual Adoption 2021

Each Ash Wednesday, Good Shepherd spiritually adopts two babies in danger of being aborted. Please join us in praying for these little ones, that they will be allowed to live. Our spiritually adopted babies due date is November 10.

Good Shepherd's Adoptive Girl's Name: Agnes
Good Shepherd's Adoptive Boy's Name: Maximilian
What's happening in the womb? Your baby 22 weeks and the size of a red bell pepper. Baby's ears are beginning to hear and process sounds from inside your body — your breathing, your rumbling tummy, your heartbeat.





ST. JOHN BOSCO CONFERENCE

Calling all catechists, Catholic school teachers, youth ministers, evangelizers, RCIA coordinators, and anyone who hands on the faith to others! Attend the St. John Bosco Conference on July 12-15 at Franciscan University of Steubenville. This is your time, your place to come be renewed in mind, heart and skills. Experience many engaging speakers, moving worship and outstanding fellowship that will rejuvenate you for life and mission. COVID policy in place. Register with this code SJB21LWerNC at steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/sjb, or contact Laura Werner at steubenvillemissionNC@gmail.com with questions.

VIRTUAL CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Raleigh presents a Virtual Catholic Estate Planning Webinar, Tuesday July 20, 2021 from 10:00 – 11:15 a.m. With the proposed changes to the tax laws on the horizon, many professionals think this is the best time in decades to update Estate plans. The Foundation of The Catholic Diocese of Raleigh was created to help assist parishioners like you, with ideas & solutions to fit your Estate planning needs.

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- Ryan Flood, Planned Giving Specialist, The Foundation
- Charles Davis III, Associate, N.C. Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning and Probate Law, Poyner Spruill LLP.

This is a free seminar, and no solicitations will be made. For more information or to reserve a virtual seat, please call Alicia Hastings on 919-568-1065 or email alicia@FoundationDOR.org.



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We are thrilled to be welcoming Jason Evert, renowned chastity speaker, to St. Michael's in September. He will be giving his talk, Purified, at St. Michael's for teenagers and families. If you have never heard Jason speak, please check out his site, www.chastity.com. He is able to capture both adult and teenage (13+) audiences with humor and a positive message about chastity and purity.

Reserve your tickets now chastity.formstack.com/forms/cary_nc as we expect this event to sell out! You can also access the link on the St. Michael website, <https://www.stmichaelcary.org/> under "Upcoming Events."

PROJECT RACHEL SUPPORT GROUP

Abortion is experienced by millions of women, many of whom are Catholic. The Project Rachel ministry assists women and men who have been wounded by abortion to find healing and peace. There is a support group beginning in the Triangle area in late September 2021.

If you have experienced an abortion and would like (confidential) information about the support group, contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021 or email: project.rachel@raldioc.org, or go to the website: <https://rachelnc.org>.

Calls and appointments are kept strictly confidential.

A PROGRAM FOR COUPLES IN STRUGGLING MARRIAGES

Retrouvaille is for couples with marriages that are struggling, not communicating well, and those who are considering marriage separation or divorce. Some couples come to Retrouvaille during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Others are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend the program. Some couples have been married for many years, while others have been married only a short time.

For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with the weekend of October 22, 2021 call 800-470-2230 or email: retrouvaillenc@msn.com or visit the web site at www.helpourmarriage.org.



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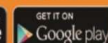
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