



Church of the Good Shepherd Healing Mass Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 11AM

Luncheon following Mass

Fr. Tony will administer the Anointing of the Sick during Mass
Please attend and pray for our sick and their caregivers

WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK? (The following is from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

1520 *A particular gift of the Holy Spirit.* The first grace of this sacrament is one of strengthening, peace and courage to overcome the difficulties that go with the condition of serious illness or the frailty of old age.

1521 *Union with the passion of Christ.* By the grace of this sacrament the sick person receives the strength and the gift of uniting himself more closely to Christ's Passion: in a certain way he is *consecrated* to bear fruit by configuration to the Savior's redemptive Passion.

1522 *An ecclesial grace.* The sick who receive this sacrament, "by freely uniting themselves to the passion and death of Christ," "contribute to the good of the People of God."

1523 *A preparation for the final journey.* If the sacrament of anointing of the sick is given to all who suffer from serious illness and infirmity, even more rightly is it given to those at the point of departing this life; so it is also called *sacramentum exeuntium* (the sacrament of those departing).

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

January is *RESPECT LIFE* Month



Good Shepherd is collecting baby items for local crisis pregnancy centers during the month of January.

Accepted Donations include:

- Disposable diapers (newborn to size 4)
- baby wipes
- sleepers/onesies (newborn to 12 mo.)
- No Tears Baby Shampoo
- receiving blankets
- bibs/burp cloths
- baby towels & wash cloths

Due to health concerns all donations must be new items with original packaging/tags. Items can be placed in the bin in the commons area. For questions, contact Mary Ellen Bebermeyer at (757) 897-3219.

"Walking with Moms in Need"



Pregnant and parenting moms in need are in our parishes and our neighborhoods. As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes need to be "islands of mercy in the midst of the sea of indifference." Everyone in our parish community should know where to refer a pregnant woman in need.

Our parish is joining a nationwide, initiative entitled "Walking with Moms in Need". As part of this initiative our parish will undertake a yearlong process to assess, expand, and equip our parishioners to better communicate resources to pregnant moms and families in need in our local community.

We invite all parishioners to join us as we embark on this journey together. For more information, and to ensure you receive news and updates, please contact: Mary Ellen Bebermeyer at maryellen2648@gmail.com or Jean Coughlin at coughlinj112@gmail.com.

To learn more about the nationwide initiative, visit www.walkingwithmoms.com



We would like to **THANK** everyone who helped with the Angel Tree this season!

Your gifts, including the quilts donated by the Angel Quilters, brought smiles to many children's faces.

The Haiti Helping Hands raised over \$5,000 to assist our Twin Parish in Haiti.

Your generosity is most appreciated!

FAITH FORMATION

Join us for a **DEEPER DIVE** into the Scriptures after the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday.



Come and expand your knowledge and appreciation of the Bible and our Catholic Faith.

Sign-up sheets are in the Commons.



Thank You!!!

The Men's Club would like to thank all our Parishioners who joined us for a great Chili Dinner and look forward to seeing you all on the evening of February 13th for our Annual Pancake and Sausage Lenten celebration.



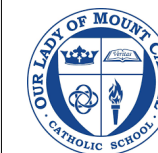
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

Marriage Couples! Is winter starting to get you down and you find yourself getting a little edgy with your spouse? Perhaps you deserve to get away to renew your relationship. Sign up today for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and get rid of the blahs.

For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with any questions.

Upcoming dates:

- January 26-28, 2024—Myrtle Beach, SC
- March 1-3, 2024—College Park, MD
- April 12-14, 2024—Herndon, VA



OLMC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

For the 2024-2025 School Year

Open to all interested
Pre-K through 8th grade families.

Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 11:15 AM

Contact Kathy McKenna at admissions@olmc-school.com for more information.

**Food Pantry Needs for the
Week of January 21
MUFFIN MIX**





The Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 10AM-3PM

Mass Times: Saturday—5PM & Sunday—9AM

Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday—Friday at Noon

Adoration is on the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month.

Staff

Pastor - Fr. Tony Yllana, pastor@cgsparish.org

Admin Assistant - Vicki Dobbins, admin@cgsparish.org

Religious Education - Lara Detrich, formation@cgsparish.org

Music Director - Katarina Hackney, music@cgsparish.org

Youth Ministry – Scott Watterson, youthministry@cgsparish.org

Ministries

Ministry to the Sick - Deacon Stanley Stefanowicz

Pastoral Council - Joe Campo

Finance Council - Dan Falbe

Money Counters - Margaret Hickman

Building - Hart Smith and Tom Quick

Grounds - Tom Quick

Liturgical Ministries Head - Mark Lieberman

Altar Servers - Jerry & Martin Hackney

Children's Liturgy – Kathleen Day

Eucharistic Min (Sat) - Joan Nagy

Eucharistic Min (Sun) - Mark Lieberman

Funeral Mass Coordinator—Joan Nagy

Lectors - Michelle Romanello

Sacristan - Hart Smith

Ushers - Steve Reznick

Knights of Columbus - Shawn Huffaker, gk17335@vakofc.org

Ladies' Guild - Margaret Hickman

Men's Club - Bill Knapp, billknapp1985@yahoo.com

Parish Community Life - Debbi Gatti

Justice & Peace - Mary Ellen Bebermeyer

Haiti Committee & E-Bulletin Board - Dave Maltby

Divine Mercy Cenacle - Dara Murphy

Special Needs Ministry - Sue Ellebracht

Works of Mary - Johanna Arocho

Mission Statement

We, as diverse members of the Body of Christ, come together to serve God, the Catholic Church, and our community. We celebrate God in the Eucharist and the word, as we help each other in the growth of our faith, share our gifts and welcome everyone.

Vision Statement

To know and love God and grow in the Kingdom Of God together.

Inclement Weather - Fr. Tony plans to be at church to celebrate Mass. However, you are not obligated to come if travel is unsafe for you.

Parish Registration and Changes – Registration forms are available on the Church website or at the entrance to the church. You may notify the office if you wish to register with, or be removed from the parish records, or if you have a change of address, telephone number, or email.

Baptisms – A preparation class for parents is required prior to the baptism. Contact Lara Detrich at the church office to register.

Funerals – Contact the office if you would like to schedule a Funeral Service. The date and time must be approved by the priest.

Marriage – Registered parishioners must contact the parish at least 6 months prior to the intended date.

Reconciliation – Before Saturday Vigil Mass or by appointment.

Visitation of the Sick – Please call the office to arrange for communion, anointing of the sick, or when someone is ill or hospitalized.



January 21, 2024

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10 | 1 Cor 7:29-31 | Mk 1:14-20

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Sometimes I feel like I need a Jonah in my life: someone who will come along and shake things up; someone who will nudge me and say, *hey, you're doing it wrong!* No one wants to be criticized, but I know I need loving guidance to help me when I am not at my best. It's easy to get caught up in the swirl of life and neglect (even if unintentionally) what's important. Jonah was given the unpleasant task of pointing out to the people of Nineveh their failings. Unlike many communities who resisted God's words, by the end of the first day of Jonah's anticipated three-day trek across the city, "the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth." For all the evil they had done, and the rebellion they had demonstrated, the people there weren't irredeemable. They simply needed Jonah to point out how they had gone astray, and the grace of open ears and hearts to receive the message. Who has the Lord placed in our lives in the role of Jonah? How has he blessed us with the ability to receive, and repent where necessary?

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We don't seem to have obvious prophets like Jonah nowadays, but that doesn't mean God has left us without guides. We have the Church, Christ's body on earth, and the ever-present help of the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel, we hear how Jesus selected his first followers: men who would become the Twelve Apostles, anointed to spread his word and speak in his stead even after Jesus left the earth. We know that there were other followers: men, women and children who became his disciples; Jews and Gentiles who were baptized. We are part of that apostolic tradition, each one of us baptized into the common priesthood "exercised by the unfolding of baptismal grace – a life of faith, hope, and charity, a life according to the Spirit." (CCC 1547) The call to holiness can be hard to hear in the din of today's busy and secular world, but it is not impossible. We can pray for the grace to hear how God is asking each of us to live out his commands and proclaim the Good News to the world.

PRAY Today's psalm (Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9) is a wonderful way to ask God for this favor. Make it part of your morning or evening prayer for the next week. "Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths."

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THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

LITURGY AND MINISTRY

Today's Readings:

Jesus is calling *us* today. Maybe he is calling us to drop something we have been clinging to. Maybe he is calling us to lay down our weeping or rejoicing, to move into something new. Maybe he is calling us to listen. In the precious time we give to him, he will give us all we need to answer his call, big or small.

Gospel Focus:

Jesus is calling us today.



"Encounter the Joy of the Gospel and Set the World Ablaze"

EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...

Have lives that have changed due to their relationship with Christ.

FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

Adults: What part of your life is Jesus calling you to change right now?

Children: In what way do you think you can be a better follower of Jesus?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Month of January



Evangelization: *For the gift of diversity in the Church*
We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

Pope Tweets:

"The Word of God invites us not to close ourselves off or think that we can do it alone, but to grow together. Let us listen to each other, talk together, and support one another."

Please Remember in Prayer:

Gordon Blackman, Barbara Bonney, Gene Chappell, Justin Evans, Ellen Gauthier, Leslie Lunger, Christopher Morris, Dara Murphy, Betty Nagy, Mary Pasko, Elizabeth Perry, Alice Reece, Debbie Steiger, Marcella Stratman, Irene White, Thomas Wunder and Brandon Zakaras

January 22 is the *Day of Prayer for Unborn Children.*

Prayer for the Unborn

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those helpless little ones to whom You have given the gift of life.



Touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today who are not thinking of motherhood.

Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image—as well as theirs—made for eternal life.

Dispel their fear and selfishness and give them true womanly hearts to love their babies and give them birth and all the needed care that a mother can give.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

Amen.

(ewtn.com/Catholicism/devotions/prayer-for-the-unborn-20787)



Lent begins February 14!

Last year's palms are currently being collected to make ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please bring your palms in by Friday, February 2nd.

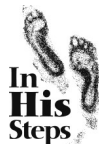


*We will have no weekday Mass in the month of January.

There will be a Prayer Service with Communion Tuesday-Friday at 12:00 PM (Noon) during this time.

Considering a call to the priesthood

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Fishing is an active verb. If you are being called to strengthen Christ's Church through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, act. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, or write: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Arrangements for visits to the sick and homebound are to be made only by family members of the person needing the visit or by that person themselves. Please make your request to Deacon Stan (276) 220-5545 or through the parish office.

**January 21, 2024
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings for the Week

Monday, January 22—Day of Prayer for the Unborn
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 23
2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 24—St. Francis de Sales
2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 25—Conversion of St. Paul
Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18

Friday, January 26—Sts. Timothy and Titus
2 Tm 1:1-8; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 28—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	January 22	No Mass	
Tues.	January 23	Noon	Prayer Service with Comm.
Wed.	January 24	Noon	Prayer Service with Comm.
Thurs.	January 25	Noon	Prayer Service with Comm.
Fri.	January 26	Noon	Prayer Service with Comm.
Sat	January 27	5:00 pm	+Mary Ellen Conner
Sun.	January 28	9:00 am	Good Shepherd Comm.

Parishioners are invited to remember their loved ones in a special way through prayers. If you would like to have a Mass celebrated in memory of a loved one or a special intention, please contact the parish office. **Stipends may be turned in with the collection or mailed to the office. Checks should be made out to *Church of the Good Shepherd*. Please write "mass intention" on the memo line of your check. Thank you.**



Church open for personal prayer:
Tuesday—Friday 10AM to 2PM



We invite you to check out our On-Line Giving Program.

Visit our parish website: www.cgsparish.org
click on 'Give' then 'On-Line Giving'



If you are new to our parish, you can find the registration form on our website www.cgsparish.org or contact the parish office.

The AED is located in the Commons by the fire extinguisher outside the office.



Parish Life This Week

Monday, January 22

6:30 PM Cub Scouts

Tuesday, January 23

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
6:30 PM Boy Scouts

Wednesday, January 24

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
12:30 PM Salt & Light

5:30 PM Shadow Stations Practice
6:30 PM OCIA

6:45 PM Works of Mary

7:00 PM PCL Mtg.

7:00 PM Youth Group

Thursday, January 25

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
7:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, January 26

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
6:00 PM Game Night

Saturday, January 27

4:30 PM Rosary

Sunday, January 28

8:30 AM Rosary

10:15 AM Religious Education

Catholic School Visit from PCHS representative Jan. 27 & 28



Weekly Offering for:

January 13 & 14, 2024

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,250.00

(The following totals include E-Giving)

OFFERTORY:

Regular Offertory \$ 12,946.16

ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:

Mortgage	\$ 470.00
Haiti	\$ 810.00
Barron Dempsey	\$ 210.00
Men's Club	\$ 233.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 50.00

Mortgage Balance \$ 17,377.50

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 110
Sunday 235

Thank you for your continued support of the Church of the Good Shepherd!

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Upcoming Special Collections

January 28—Altar Flowers

February 4—Mortgage

