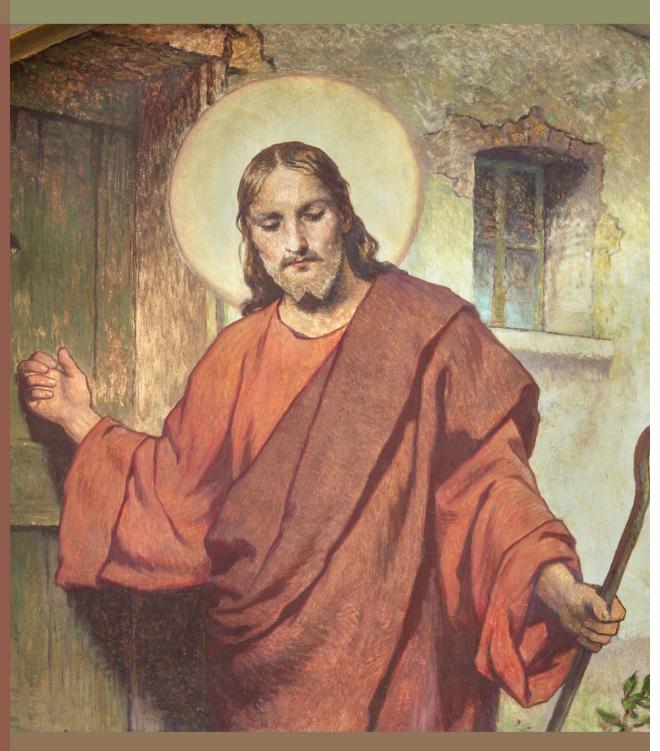
Welcome to Good Shepherd Parish August 10, 2025

9th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." Luke 12:40

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH VISION STATEMENT

Good Shepherd Parish strives to be a vibrant, welcoming community where every person can experience the Father's love. Through the Gospel proclamation, prayer, and joyous sacramental celebration, Good Shepherd Parish will inspire parishioners to discern and live out their vocations and to actively evangelize the world. As we bear witness to the Risen Christ, Our Lord and Savior, we aspire to serve our parish community. We will seek to welcome home the new, the lost, and the disheartened by using the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit...

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Roman Catholic community of Good Shepherd Parish, strive to be a living sign of Christ's love in and for the world.

In response to our Baptismal call, nourished by the Eucharist and guided by the values of the Second Vatican Council, we seek to continue the mission of Jesus Christ by welcoming, supporting and guiding all through prayer, sacramental celebration, service and education.

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ST. ANN CHURCH, 134 COCHITUATE RD, WAYLAND, MA



ST. ZEPHERIN CHURCH, 99 MAIN ST, WAYLAND, MA

Mass Times

Saturday, 4:00 PM St. Ann Sunday, 8:30 AM St. Zepherin Sunday, 10:30 AM St. Ann

Confession

Saturday, 3:00 –3:45 PM St. Ann (or by appointment)

Weekday Masses

Monday—Tuesday 9:00 AM St. Ann Wednesday—Friday 9:00 AM St. Zepherin

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

4:00 PM

CHERYL KANE & RICHARD KANE, JR.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10 8:30 AM

PEOPLE OF

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

10:30 AM

WILLIAM J. MEEK

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

9:00 AM

GRETTA ROZARIO

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

9:00 AM

MILLIE CHOINSKI &

RUTH (CHOINSKI) FORNES THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

9:00 AM

MAUREEN O'HARA

Parish Calendar

MONDAY, AUGUST 11 10 AM—2 PM NURSE JEAN PARISH CENTER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14 10 AM—2 PM

NURSE JEAN

PARISH CENTER

1 PM: WALK WITH HER!

7—8 PM

7-6 PIVI

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ST. ZEPHERIN CHURCH

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION!
9 AM MASS—ST. ZEPHERIN

7 PM MASS—ST. ANN

PARISH OFFICE: (508) 650—3545

Four Loves (Part One) . . .

St. Augustine once wrote "Love, and then do as you will." Sounds simple, don't it? But Augustine's entire life demonstrates that love was far from a simple matter of frolicking in the clover. There's a lot of courage, a lot of determination, a lot of fierce defense of the truth that goes into love.

The Greek language that the Apostle Paul spoke actually has four distinctive words to capture the many levels of feelings that English-speakers today lump under the umbrella term "love." The great Christian writer and philosopher C.S. Lewis put out a wonderful book reflecting on some of these varieties, called *The Four Loves*, in which he looked at each type of love indicated by these different words: *eros*, *agape*, *philia*, and *storge*. It was one of the first books I read after returning to the Faith some twenty-five years ago, and it helped clarify a lot of confusion in my approach to life.

Storge (pronounced "store-ghay") is the most basic kind of love. Lewis chooses to translate it into English as "affection," and he describes it as a humble form of love, by which he means it's homey, familiar, cozy and comfortable. It's the image of a mother cradling her infant. It's the natural or instinctual feelings between people placed together, like those between family members, classmates, or neighbors.

Beyond the bonds of family, we can feel affection for the household pet, for a favorite pair of jeans, or even the characters of a TV show. (I'm reminded of my cousin Pam, who was fascinated by the romance between Luke and Laura on the soap opera *General Hospital* in the '80s. This was *storge* on steroids!)

blankets" that we don't want to part with.

This is why sentimental affection needs to be braced and balanced with the other degrees of love, particularly the love that seeks the highest good of the beloved, regardless of the

None of this, of course, is meant to disparage this sort of comfortable affection. It's a good thing, and quite necessary. We should be drawn to what's familiar; it's part of what roots us to our surroundings, to our history and heritage, and it's part of what ties us to our society. It places us within our life, and attaches us to those people and things that are part of our life. Without affection of this sort we'd be aliens in our own environment, not feeling any emotional connection to those very real people and things that go into making up our own lives. *Storge* is the solace of a long-married couple sitting across the restaurant table from each other without saying a word to each other.

But there are at least two things to be on watch against when it comes to *storge*. First, it's an instinctive sort of emotion, not easily subject to critical analysis or reflective thought. It grows out of what is familiar, and so attaches itself to that familiarity, without ever stopping to consider whether this is really good for us or not. *Storge* can lead people to stay in abusive or even

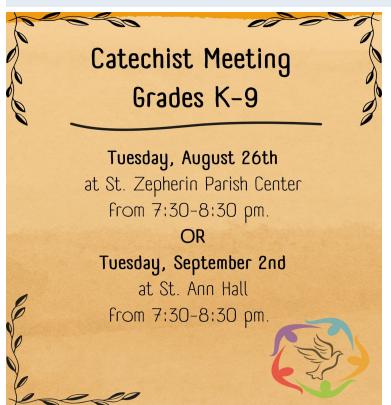
dead relationships, or to re-visit unhealthy patterns simply because they're recognizable.

A second pitfall of this sentimental brand of love is that it keeps us tethered to our own feelings, Lewis calls *storge* "need -love"—meaning that it has a certain self-referential quality to it. There's something of a boomerang effect to affection: "I love you, and it makes me feel good to love you, so I need to show you my love for you." The "I need" can become a great importance in the relationship—either subtly or not-so-subtly. An infant loves his/her mother because "Mom feeds me, showers me with kisses, coos over me and makes me feel good." But a mother can also love her infant in part because she needs to dote on her infant. And this can become a trap. Such affection can prompt us to stifle the growth of the one whom we love. Parents so often have difficulty allowing their children to grow up; *storge* can make them want to keep them as little children forever.

Affection overlooks faults, which is a fine and wonderful thing when it means true long-suffering patience. But sometimes it can lead us to excuse these faults rather than forgive them. In these cases, no growth happens; the person we feel tenderly towards is never challenged to overcome the fault, and the relationship doesn't mature. We can come to cling to these familiar patterns of relating to each other and cripple genuine progress or personal growth. Linus refusing to get rid of his blue blanket comes to mind—and we all have our "blue blankets" that we don't want to part with.

This is why sentimental affection needs to be braced and balanced with the other degrees of love, particularly the love that comes from a sense of duty toward another or the love that seeks the highest good of the beloved, regardless of the consequences for oneself. While we should never automatically trust the kneejerk emotional reactions of blind affection neither should we disdain this love of the most natural level. It can lay alongside the other kinds of love quite comfortably, and add a dimension of quiet peace to these varieties, allowing us to rest in the company of those we cherish. *Storge* makes it refreshing and relaxing to come home at the end of a long day, which can also provide the incentive to venture out into the world knowing what we'll come back to. And once we've incorporated the discipline of prayer-time into our daily routine, our love for God can settle comfortably into a familiar rest in His presence.







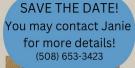
Readings To-Go!

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 10, 2025

> Scan QR code to see this week's readings!



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COOKIE DECORATING, etc.
DONATIONS OF ITEMS WELCOME!







KNITTERS' CRAFT FAIR

October 18, 2025

St. Zepherin Parish Center

10 AM - 2 PM

Saturday!

Proceeds will benefit our graduates as they further their studies in either college or trade school!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2025-2026



GRADES K-9
TO REGISTER SCAN QR CODE



Parent Meeting

Thursday, Aug. 28th On Zoom From 7:00–8:00pm







Please email your prayer requests to:

GSPPRAYERS@GMAIL.COM

OR CALL: (508) 650 - 3545 EXT. 11

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH PRAYER LINE:

As a faith community, we're here to share in each others' experiences and to lift each other in prayer. Whatever you're facing – whether it's a cause for joy, a challenge weighing you down, or a particular intention you're holding close to your heart – we want to join you in prayer.

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

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10 AM - 2 PM
Thursday, August 14
10 AM - 2 PM
1 PM walk! meet on the plaza
Monday, August 18
10 AM - 2 PM
Thursday, August 21

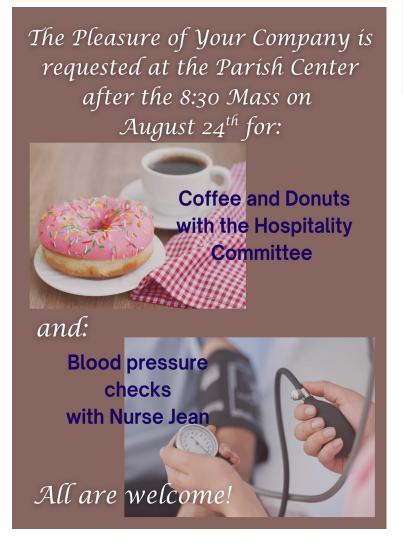
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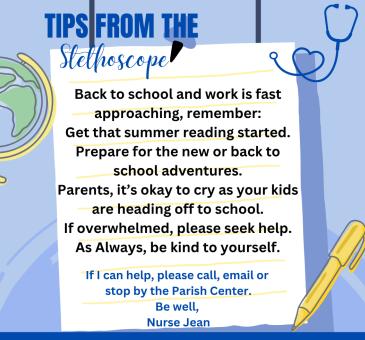
Blood Pressure Clinic Sunday, August 24 Parish Center 9:30 AM COMPLIMENTARY SERVICE FOR YOU, OUR PARISH, & OUR COMMUNITY



- Blood Pressure checks
- Prescription medication review
- Monthly medical presentations
- Referrals
- · Remembrance ministry
- Walk with her!



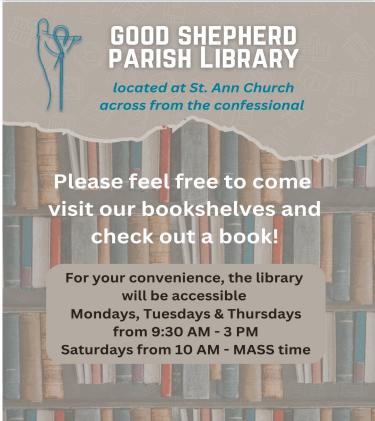




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Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Fa - ther. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, with the Ho - ly Je - sus Christ, Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry to God in the Glo-ry! and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. Α high-est, men.

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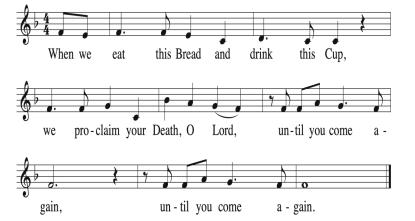
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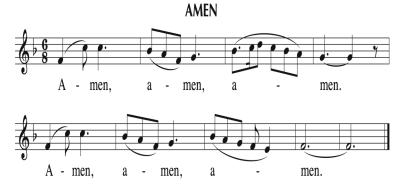
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION B



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Verses:

- Exult, you just, in the Lord,
 For praise is the song of the righteous!
 How happy the people of God,
 The ones whom God has chosen!
- See how the eye of God is watching, Ever guarding all who wait in hope, To deliver them from death and sustain them in time of famine.
- Our soul is waiting for God, For God is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O God, be upon us Who place our hope in you.



Find Us Ready

Verses

- 1. We must wait for the Lord for we know not the time. So here and today we gather and pray, discovering love in our midst.
- We must make straight the path, God's love revealed. With sin cast aside, God's mercy alive, fear not for here is your God.
- 3. Lifting up those bowed down, we prepare for our God. Rejoice in the Lord, for hope has been born in hearts where our God finds a home.

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Annual Missionary Co-Operative Appeal August 16 & 17

As part of the annual Missionary Co-Operative Program, Father Patrick Tabot of Benedict XVI Institute for Africa will speak at all our Masses next weekend (August 16 & 17) about The Society of St. Peter Apostle, one of the four **Pontifical Mission Societies** represented here in the Archdiocese of Boston. Father Patrick will share stories of his experiences of the mission Church, where seminaries are sometimes turning away young men who want to say "Yes!" to a call from God but cannot because of their own poverty and that of their diocese. Father Maurice will help us build a spiritual connection to others . whose daily lives may be very different from our own.





The Society of St. Peter Apostle is the official mission agency of the Catholic Church supporting seminarians with annual scholarships, support for their teachers, and help for the crumbling infrastructure of mission seminaries. To learn more, in advance, about the needs of seminarians in the missions and how you can make a difference through The Society of Saint Peter Apostle, visit our website:

https://www.propfaithboston.org/ forming-church-leader

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE

Wednesday, August 27th St. Ann's 7:00 PM

Join us for a beautiful evening of prayer and devotion as we honor Our Lady of Guadalupe through the Knights of Collumbus Silver Rose program.

Each year, Silver Roses are carried by Knights across North America, from Canada to Mexico, to reaffirm our commitment to the sanctity of life and to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, This pilgrimage symbolizes unity, devotion to life, and international brotherhood among Knights and parish communities.

Come pray with us for the protection of life, the promotion of peace, and the intercession of Our Lady.

THE MEANING OF THE SILVER ROSE

The Silver Rose honors Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and Protectress of the Unborn.

DEVOTION TO MARY
COMMITMENT TO LIFE
INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY OF THE KNIGHTS

All parishioners and guests are warmly invited.

SECURE FUTURE

News programs constantly seek experts to decipher the significance of whatever newly released economic numbers predict for our future well being as individuals, a nation, or globally. Caveats about the possibility of accurate indications typically follow. Jesus would challenge that entire mindset. Today's gospel opens with, "...sell belongings, give alms ... money bags that do not wear out, treasure in heaven... Where your treasure is, there also your heart will be." (Lk 12:35-40). We won't see numbers from God's Bureau of Labor Statistics until the final judgment. So, Jesus continues with parables about servants and absent masters to reinforce the "always be ready" message.

That analysis should not provoke anxiety. Jesus began by reminding his "little flock" that God is on their team, "...your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom," (v. 35). To reinforce that perspective, the first parable has a master pull a surprising role swap. Upon returning very, very late from a wedding banquet to a household of alert servants, the master becomes their servant. They get to "recline at table" – banqueting posture for the (male) elite – and the master waits on them. Jesus, himself, will do that at the Last Supper (Lk 22:27; Jn 13:1-17). How would that go over in those PBS classics, "Upstairs, Downstairs" or "Downton Abbey"?

Spokesman Peter comes up with a different question: "...meant for us or for everyone," (v. 41)? Rather than answer, Jesus presents another parable that reflects the harsh aspects of life in richer households with "managers" typically slaves or former slaves who must run operations when masters are away for long periods. Those who abuse their position will suffer vicious punishment when master returns. (Literally, "cut in half", but translated "punish severely"). Those who perform as expected can anticipate promotion and more responsibility (v. 48). Luke does not indicate how the parable answers the "us or everyone" question. Luke's Acts of the Apostles will show Peter's move from wavering uncertainty to a future that Jesus predicted, "...turn and strengthen your brothers," (Lk 22:32).

Pheme Perkins, Ph.D. Joseph Professor Of Catholic Spirituality Boston College

FY2025 Financial Reports as of June 2025

We are pleased to report a Net Income of \$75,534 from the fiscal year 2025. Both, the operating & non-operating financial accounts reflected a positive performance, including My Brother's Table Food Pantry.

In the last fiscal year, the offertory reached near 99% of the its budget (\$820,000). We are immensely grateful to all of you for sharing with our parish your God-given time, talent and treasure.

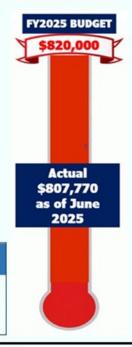
PARISH: FY2025 (July 2024 - June 2025) Actual vs. Budget Performance										
Account		Actuals	Bu	dget 2025	Variance \$					
Income	\$	998,603	\$	967,900	\$	30,703				
Expense	\$	929,344	\$	937,900	\$	(8,556)				
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$	69,259	\$	30,000	\$	39,259				
Non-Operating Income	\$	23,897	\$	-	\$	23,897				
Non-Operating Expense	\$	17,622	\$	30,000	\$	(12,378)				
Net Non-Operating Income (Loss)	\$	6,275	\$	(30,000)	\$	36,275				
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	75,534	\$	-	\$	75,534				

My Brother's Table
June 2025 Performance
\$3,597 \$5,861
\$2,265 NET

ALL Financial Activities thru June 2025
INCOME EXPENSE YTD NET
\$198,984 \$143,337 \$55,647

Note: A complete end of FY2025 report will be published in the fall.

CEMETERY: FY2025 Actual vs. Bu	5)	FY2026 BUDGET					
Account	Actuals	Budget 2025		Variance \$			
Income	\$ 11,614	\$	23,000	\$	(11,386)	\$	17,000
Expense	\$ 16,450	\$	23,000	\$	6,549	\$	17,000
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (4,836)	\$	-	\$	(4,837)	\$	-
Non-Operating Income	\$ 2,458	\$	-	\$	2,458	\$	_
Non-Operating Expense	\$ -	\$	-	\$		\$	-
Net Non-Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 2,458	\$	-	\$	2,458	\$	-
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	\$ (2,378)	\$	-	\$	(2,378)	\$	-





Thanks to 116 parish families, as of August 4th, we have raised 50% (\$46,016) of our 2025 Catholic Appeal Goal of \$92,100.

We are confident that with your kind financial support, our parish can reach and surpass our goal as we have done in past years.

To support the Catholic Appeal, please take a pledge from the entrance of the church, fill it out and return it to the church or mail it to the Parish Office, 99 Main St., Wayland MA 01778 at your earliest convenience.

To make a gift online scan the QR code. Thank you for your support!



The FY2026 parish budget shown					
here includes an Offertory budget of					
\$815,000. We kindly ask you to					
help us build upon the positive					
trend of generosity observed in the					
past years. Your support is much					
appreciated and needed to serve the					

Please receive our enormous gratitude for your faithful and

families of Good Shepherd Parish.

ongoing financial support. Thank You... Thank You So Much!!

Giving

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Parish Budget: FY2026 (July 2025 - June 2026)

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Actual

Offertory

394,405

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