

Welcome to
Good Shepherd Parish
November 9, 2025

FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE
LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME

Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and
that the Spirit of God dwells in you? 1 Corinthians 3:16

Parish Office: (508) 650—3545

99 Main Street, Wayland, MA

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
Sunday, 5:30 PM St. Zepherin

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, NOVEMBER 8
4:00 PM

VARKEY VATTAPPARA
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

8:30 AM
PEOPLE OF
GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH
10:30 AM

MARJORIE RUFO

5:30 PM

DWIGHT O'HARA

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

9:00 AM

BRIDGET McHALE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

9:00 AM

MARY ELLEN JOHNSON
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

9:00 AM

GRETTA ROZARIO
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

9:00 AM

MILLIE CHOINSKI &
RUTH (CHOINSKI) FORNES

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

9:00 AM

MARGUERITE THERESA BURNS

Parish Calendar

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
VETERANS DAY
ST. ZEPHERIN CAMPUS
AND PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13
7 –8 PM
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
ST. ZEPHERIN CHURCH

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14
STAFF RETREAT
ST. ZEPHERIN CAMPUS
AND PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Parish Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday
9 AM—3 PM

Friday 9 AM—12 PM

(CHECK WEBSITE & BULLETIN FOR HOLIDAY CLOSURES)

The Church on Cochituate Road, the Church on Main Street, and the Church in Homes . . .

Coming from a family of construction workers, today's feast is a strange one for me. To be honest, I'm not one hundred percent comfortable with setting aside a day in the Church calendar to celebrate buildings, but we'll do it twice in the next couple of weeks: next Tuesday is the memorial of the dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, and today the Church gives us the Dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran. My childhood on the jobsite makes me nod in distinguished approval of our acknowledgement of buildings. But at the same time, the fact that I was the one member of the family to turn his back on the construction industry gives me a vantage point to be critical of these days.

I guess in our current age of online shopping and social media it's kinda nice to reflect on brick-and-mortar edifices—maybe even all the more so now when AI is blurring the line between distinguishing real people and places from ones and zeroes.

However, I think the real value of today's feast (and next Tuesday's) is to remind us that the Church is not a private or idiosyncratic matter, but a people gathered, united in the common identity of a social group bonded together by our worship of God. And not by personal convenience or each one's individual timetable, but purposefully as a people actually and deliberately joined. Joined in body as well as thought and spirit. The opening prayer for today's Mass clarifies this: *O God, who from living and chosen stones prepare an eternal dwelling for Your majesty . . .*

The Church is not about places, no matter how beautiful the architecture and décor is. It's about the people who make up the Body of the Faithful: those who strive to live ever holier lives, to continue to struggle to conquer sin and vanity in our own hearts so we can fit together more seamlessly in the Master Builder's design, like rows of bricks fit together to form one tightly sealed wall. (Always remembering, of course, that the wall must have a door for gaining access; and that this door, too, must be fitted into the construction.) (But maybe I'm carrying the metaphor too far now—an occupational hazard of a former laborer turned playwright . . .)

And then there are those who are part of our blueprint but can't be with us physically. Compromised health, be it temporary or permanent, diminishing eyesight,

and other conditions can prevent them from gathering with us in this space—whether the space is St. Ann or St. Zepherin. They are still part of our Church, but sadly they oftentimes can feel like they're cut off entirely from us by the fact of their physical limitation. This is a shame and a tragedy, one that's been on my heart since I got here a year and a half ago.

I'm pleased to say we're now in a place to remedy this! Kathleen Scherer, a newly arrived parishioner who jumped into Good Shepherd with both feet—along with her husband Horace—has agreed to take the reins as head of the Ministry of Communion to the Homebound. Kathy brings great experience with this from her home parish in Pennsylvania and generously has agreed to share this with us.

If you know anyone in our parish—a neighbor, a friend, a family member, anyone—who needs to have communion brought to them at home, please reach out to Kathy at parish@goodshepherdwayland.org (put homebound in the subject line) and we'll see to it that they're taken care of.

And we could always use ministers to step forward and join this ministry. The commitment is flexible, and can work on your own availability. Or if you'd like to serve as a “second-string” minister, substituting for someone who might not be able to make his/her visits on a particular week for some reason, we could always use those folks too! Contact me at frren@goodshepherdwayland.org and we can begin the process. No previous experience is necessary; we'll train you and provide you with some guidelines. This is a wonderful way to give back to our parish community, to reach out to those who can't come to us, and to remind us all that we are the one Body of the Church.

~ Fr. Ren



Communion
for the
Homebound

*Honoring All Who Served:
Thank you!*



★★★
**VETERANS
DAY**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

**PARISH OFFICE & ST. ZEPHERIN
CAMPUS CLOSED**



9 AM Mass @ St. Ann Church

*Prayer
Requests*



+St. Martin
de Porres,
pray for us!+



GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

PRAYER LINE:

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COME HEAR OUR CHOIR!

11/9 - No choir

11/16 - 8:30 Mass

11/23 - 10:30 Mass

READINGS, SAINTS, OBSERVANCES 2025

SUNDAY Nov 9	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
MONDAY Nov 10	Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6
TUESDAY Nov 11	Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop Veterans Day Wis 2:23—3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Lk 17:7-10
WEDNESDAY Nov 12	Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19
THURSDAY Nov 13	Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25
FRIDAY Nov 14	Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab Lk 17:26-37
SATURDAY Nov 15	Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8
SUNDAY Nov 16	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Pilot Bulletins

Adult Festival Choir

For those who would like to sing for Christmas but can't make a regular commitment during the year.

Rehearsal Schedule: Ministry Schedule:

Monday 12/1 @ 7:00 Saturday 12/6 @ 4:00
Saturday 12/6 @ 1:15 Friday 12/12 @ 7:00
Monday 12/15 @ 7:00 Sunday 12/21 @ 8:30
Monday 12/22 @ 7:00 Thursday 12/24 @ 5:30

All rehearsals are in the Parish Center next to St. Zepherin Church.

To register, please email Donna McIntyre,
the interim music director, at
musicdirector@goodshepherdwayland.org

Children's Christmas Choir

Rehearsals on Mondays

in the Parish Center next to St. Zepherin

12/1 . 12/8 . 12/15 . 12/22 from 5:30-6:15pm



Open to students in grades 1-5

who want to sing at the 4:00 Mass on Christmas Eve



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St. Martin De Porres, Pray For Us

(communication originally sent on November 3, 2025)

At the beginning of John's Gospel, when Philip tells Nathaniel that he has found the one that Moses had written about, that it's Jesus from Nazareth, Nathaniel snorts out the reply: "Can anything good come from Nazareth?"

Bigotry has been a terrible scar on the human soul since time immemorial. The repugnant impulse to dehumanize a person due to bloodline, ethnicity, or race too often rears its ugly head. Jesus Himself had to shock this out of His followers and listeners with the parable of the Good Samaritan: the one who proved to be a neighbor to the beaten man was precisely the one of mixed bloodline who belonged to an ethnic group considered third-class by the Judeans.

I'm deeply saddened to say that this has once again cropped up here in Wayland. A chilling demonstration of racism afflicted the town high school last Thursday. I find myself needing to renew Father Dave's message from a few years ago, reminding our parish of what should be self-evident: that racism is a sin. Father Dave's conclusion that racial bigotry breaks the eighth commandment, *Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor, holds true. Racism is indeed an assault on the truth that all people are created in God's image & likeness, and therefore enjoy a sovereign dignity never to be violated.*

But it also shatters a more important commandment, namely the fourth: *Thou shalt not kill. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus unearths the deeper significance of that commandment when He points out that any slur against the dignity of a brother/sister (meaning any person) goes against the prohibition of murder.*

The antidote to this is respect. Each of us has the duty, both as a citizen of a civilized society and more essentially as a person who shares the image of God with all other human beings, to uphold the dignity of every person. We do this in simple, ordinary ways, by respecting the person in front of us in each situation we find ourselves in. We treat each person with honor, with decency, with courtesy. In this way, we re-shape

the world, in small ways, but those small seeds, sown consistently and with honesty, blossom into mighty trees with time.

The way the Good Samaritan became the neighbor to the victim in the parable was by approaching him, rather than crossing over to the other side of the road as did the Levite and the Sadducee. Nathaniel came to recognize Jesus as the Son of God and the King of Israel when he approached the Nazarene and entered into conversation with Him. This basic exchange of good will and respect begins the healing of division, prejudice, and the superficial distortion of personal dignity into bigotry. When we realize that respect is something that each person is owed as his/her inviolable right simply because (s)he is a person, and that it's not our privilege to pick and choose whom we want to respect, then inter-personal peace starts. And from there, real social change follows. But it requires eternal vigilance in order to pass these virtues on from one generation to the next.

Today is the feast day of St. Martin de Porres: the first person of the Americas to be canonized; a man of inter-racial bloodline who happens to be the patron saint both of people of mixed race and of social justice. What more appropriate day to begin to remind ourselves that in Christ we are all one.

~ Fr. Ren



GLORIA

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 - ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al - might-y Fa - ther. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be - got - ten Son, 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, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. 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. A - men.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION B

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un-til you come a - gain, un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN



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LAMB OF GOD

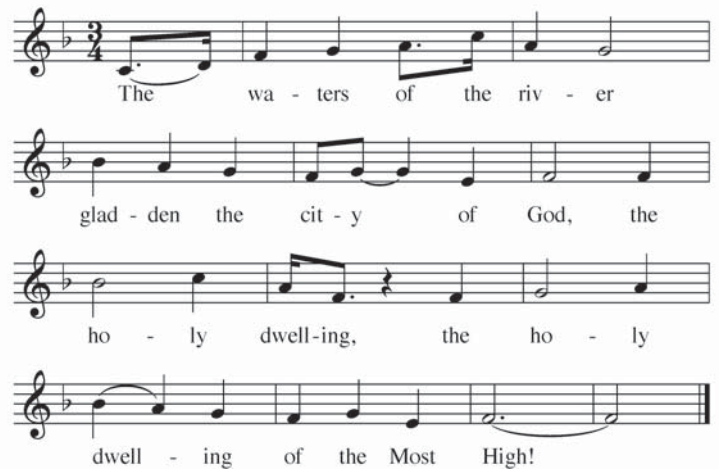


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THE WATERS OF THE RIVER

Psalm 46

Marty Haugen



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Verses:

1. **God is for us a refuge and strength,
An everpresent help in time of distress:
So we shall not fear though the earth should rock,
Though the mountains quake to the heart of the sea.**
2. **The waters of a river give joy to God's city,
The holy place, the dwelling of the Most High.
God is within, it cannot be shaken;
God will help it at the dawning of the day.**
3. **The Lord of hosts is with us:
The God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come and behold the works of the Lord,
The awesome deeds he has done on the earth.**

Meet your interim Director of Music Ministry

It is a pleasure to introduce myself as your interim Director of Music. My name is Donna McIntyre. Some of you already know me as I was here with you several times as a substitute accompanist during Jay's time off. I enjoyed accompanying here, so when Fr. Ren asked me to consider filling in, it was an easy decision to accept the request. I served in the ministry of music for many years as an organist and choir director at several parishes in the Boston and Worcester area. I began my career in my home parish in Hopkinton. Most recently, I was the director of music at St. Michael's Parish in Hudson where Fr. Ren served as Administrator. Coincidentally, Jay helped me out a few times at St. Michael's as a cantor. In addition to my work in parishes, I was a music teacher and piano instructor. Now retired, I happily join you in the ministry of music at Good Shepherd Parish, while the search for a permanent Director of Music Ministry is sought. My sincere appreciation and thanks go to Jay for planning all of the music and schedules to create a seamless transition. I am grateful for his attention to detail so the ministry of music can run uninterrupted during the search for a permanent director. I am excited to become part of the music tradition at GSP and look forward to serving the parish in ministry as we grow in faith through the gift of music.

"Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord;
cry out to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before him with a song of praise,
joyfully sing out our psalms." – Psalm 95:1-2



FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS

Join us for this service of Scripture and song recounting the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

7:00PM @ ST. ANN CHURCH

Reception to follow, hosted by our Youth Ministry



**Readings
To-Go!**

*Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
November 9, 2025*

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



TO PRAISE,
BLESS,
PREACH



Monthly meetings normally take place on the 3rd Sunday of the month in St. Ann's Hall and are open to visitors at any time.
Next meeting: November 16th

It is helpful if you do notify the group in advance if you will be attending.
Direct inquiries to:
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Mrs. Mikayla Dalton, O.P.
(fraternity president) at
mikayla.v.dalton@gmail.com.

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OF
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NOV. 7 - 13, 2025
AND
RICHARD KANE, JR.
NOV. 14 - 20, 2025



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JOHN 8:12



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THE EUCHARISTIC CHRIST,
WE BECOME HOLY"**

ST. CARLO ACUTIS



NEXT DATE: November 13th at St. Zepherin
COME SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00—8:00 PM
2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS AT GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

TEMPLE BUILDING

Emperor Constantine did not demolish Rome's popular temples to ancient gods when he ordered construction of a basilica for the city's Christian bishop in 315 CE. Instead, he used land from an old estate, childhood home of emperor Marcus Aurelius, and from quarters of the imperial horse guard. Only bits of recycled materials from 1st to 3rd century CE can be detected in St. John Lateran today. No one in 4th century Rome would have confused a basilica, the standard public building, with temples honoring gods. The Greek word, *ekklesia*, translated "church" has no building connections. It refers to an "assembly of people".

St. Paul instructs Christians to consider themselves God's temple (1 Cor 3:16-17). In calling together an assembly of believers in Corinth, he laid the foundation for a temple, Jesus Christ. God's Spirit lives in the people, not stones. Our oldest church building (ca. 235 CE) is a converted mud house from the Syrian caravan town, Dura, on the west bank of the Euphrates. From the earliest days, Christians had met in houses or workshops. The Baptistry is across the courtyard from the room used for the worshipping assembly. Its frescoes are much humbler than Ezekiel's vision (Ezek 47:1-12) or shining gold in Herod's temple.

Overhead, the blue dome with shining stars could represent eternal life given in baptism. Adam, Eve and the serpent are there, so is David, ready to slay Goliath. Christ promises victory over our ancient enemies. Familiar gospel scenes include Jesus as the good shepherd, Jesus healing the paralytic, Jesus walking on water with Peter, and women disciples like the Samaritan woman at the well, and a group with lamps and oil ready, perhaps approaching Jesus' tomb on Easter morning. The baptized symbolically walk out of their former life stories into that of God's people. Temple building with human stones is not managed by construction managers with imperial wealth. It depends on God's Spirit working in that temple of believers that gathers in the larger room across the courtyard.

PHEME PERKINS, Ph.D.
Joseph Professor
Of Catholic Spirituality
Boston College





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Good Shepherd Council

Our 2025 Goal

300 Coats

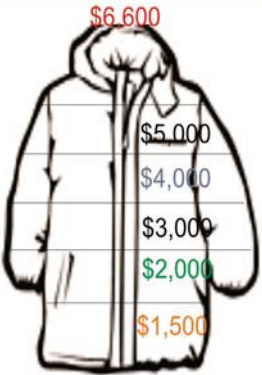
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MY BROTHER'S TABLE THANKSGIVING

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Hojlo at happyhojlos@verizon.net. Thank you.



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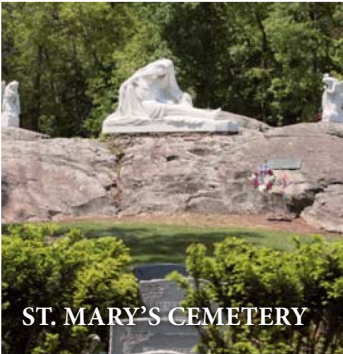


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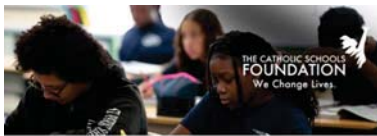
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