



*Good Shepherd
Catholic Community
P.O. Box 296, Aurora, NY 13026*

May 17, 2020

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Welcome!

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Parish Office Hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

GSCC WEBSITE www.thegoodshepherd.cc

Take a look! Mass schedules, latest news and bulletins. Thanks to Paul Nelson for his expertise!

BAPTISM - Please call the Parish Office for an appointment

MARRIAGE - Couples must contact the Parish Office six months prior to the celebration.

RECONCILIATION - Confessions will be held on First Fridays from 8:00am—8:45am at Our Lady of the Lake before First Friday Mass & Benediction; at St. Michael Church on the first Saturday of each month from 3:00pm—3:45pm and at St. Patrick's, Moravia, before the 8:30am Sunday Mass beginning at 8:00am.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND/ SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK - If a loved one is seriously ill or would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the Parish Office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - Non-Catholics interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith are invited to speak to any staff member or call the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS - Welcome! Please introduce yourselves to the Parish Staff. We want to get to know you.

REGISTRATION - Every family within the Parish should be registered. Please contact the office for a registration form. If you move to another parish, change your address or have additions or deletions to your family, please notify the Parish



Sixth Sunday of Easter



Peter tells his readers that they should "always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope." (1 Peter 3:15) Can I explain to others, "gently and reverently," why I hope?

All public Masses in the Diocese of Rochester are suspended until further notice. Sunday Mass can be viewed on our parish website. www.thegoodshepherd.cc and Facebook page. When you watch the Mass on TV or on your computers or I Pads you are encouraged to recite the following:

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

ST. PATRICK'S
Aurora

ST. MICHAEL'S
Union Springs

ST. PATRICK'S
Moravia



OUR LADY OF THE LAKE
King Ferry



Readings for the week of May 17, 2020

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: 7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 [13]/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

Mass Schedule for May 16– May 24, 2020

Saturday: 5/16 + Nancy Tanner by M/M Edward Hope

Sat.Vigil Mass +For Living & Deceased Members of GSCC

Sun. 5/17 + Philip Morse by the Tibbits & Horner families

Mon. 5/18 + Mary Beth Page Hass

Tues. 5/19 + Mary Picchi King

Wed. 5/20 + Francis “Babe” D’Amico

Ascension Vigil +For Living & Deceased Members of GSCC

Thurs. 5/21 + Feast of the Ascension—Edward Tanner by M/M Edward Hope

Fri. 5/22 + Angie Liberatore

Saturday: 5/23+ Irene Hope by M/M Edward Hope

Sat.Vigil Mass +For Living & Deceased Members of GSCC

A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic

Most merciful and Triune God,
We come to you in our weakness.
We come to you in our fear.
We come to you with trust.
For you alone are our hope.

We place before you the disease present in our world.
We turn to you in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors.
Give understanding to scientists.
Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity.
Bring healing to those who are ill.
Protect those who are most at risk.
Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one.
Welcome those who have died into your eternal home.

Stabilize our communities.
Unite us in our compassion.
Remove all fear from our hearts.
Fill us with confidence in your care.

Jesus, I trust in you.
Jesus, I trust in you.
Jesus, I trust in you.

Amen - Author unknown. Posted on AscensionPress.com".

VITAL STATISTICS

Fiscal Year July 1, 2019—June 30, 2020
May 10, 2020 (Week 45)

Thank you for your generosity each week !

Weekly Budgeted Offering	\$ 5,268.60
Weekly Envelope Offering.	\$ 4,286.50
Electronic giving	\$ 430.00
Total weekly offering.	\$ 4,716.50
YTD Actual Offering	\$ 233,400.00
YTD Budgeted Offering.	\$ 237,087.00

I thank you for your generous support of you parish and ask you to please continue your financial support of the parish either by mailing your contribution envelope to the parish office or giving electronically through *We Share*, that can be accessed on our parish website.

www.thegoodshepherd.cc

“Our generous God blesses us all with gifts and asks of us only this: to accept them, live them out fully, and to bless other with them in turn.”

Ongoing Events

Nominations are being taken for GSCC Pastoral Council

Please nominate a parishioner or yourself to serve on the GSCC Pastoral Council. Nomination forms on the next page.

St. Albert the Great Academy, Auburn's new Catholic Elementary School, is continuing the plan for opening our doors to Pre K - 5th grade students in September 2020. Student registration is underway and the hiring process for teachers has begun. The following is a link to St. Albert the Great Academy's website.

<https://www.stalbertthegreatacademy.com/>

Please consider sending your children to St. Albert the Great Academy for a Catholic education in the faith. Student registration materials and job descriptions for staffing positions can be found on the website.

This week remember the following in your Masses and prayers on the Anniversary of their Deaths of those who died on the dates of May 17—May 23

Rev. Robert Egan 2005, Kenneth Quinn 1973, Joseph Ryan 1975, LAWRENCE Collins 1984, John Abbott 1999, Thomas Brady 1992, Charles Heffernan 1992, Alberta O’Connell 1996, William Byrne 1997, Lee Poso 2010, Raymond Teeter 1982, James McGowan 1990, James Hess 1993, Infant David Shaw 1998, Maureen May 2019, Marg Kane 1993, Julia Hart 1997, Joseph McGuiire 2000. Catherine Slivinsky 2000, Agnes Emperor 1994, Paul Pine 2010, Rachael Becker 1990. Maureen Conboy-Roy 2002, Walter “Jim” Rejman 2009, Lucie Isabelle Gentlecore 1999, Clarence Becker 1984, Alexxis Hertel 1984, Rev. Robert J. Downs 2006, Estelle Perkins 1986, Ora DeForest 1987, Carlene Mackey 1991, Martin J. Haplin, Sr. 2008.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

This coming Thursday, May 21st, is the **Feast of the Ascension of the Lord**. Assuming that public Masses will still be suspended we will be recording the Mass for the Feast of the Ascension and it will be posted on the parish website: www.thegoodshepherd.cc and on the parish Facebook page on Thursday, May 21st as we have done with the Sunday Masses in recent weeks. A special thanks to John and Mariann Fessenden for making this available to our parishioners and others who have been following the Sunday Masses online.

The **Novena to the Holy Spirit** is the oldest Novena in the church. It derives from Jesus' instructions to his disciples to go to Jerusalem and pray for the Holy Spirit. The traditional days to pray the Novena to the Holy Spirit are the days between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost Sunday. The daily prayers of the Novena are available as an app for your phone at <https://catholicnovenaapp.com/novenas/holy-spirit-novena/#> Below are some additional prayers to the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for the Help of the Holy Spirit

O God, send forth your Holy Spirit into my heart that I may perceive, into my mind that I may remember, and into my soul that I may meditate. Inspire me to speak with piety, holiness, tenderness and mercy. Teach, guide and direct my thoughts and senses from beginning to end. May your grace ever help and correct me, and may I be strengthened now with wisdom from on high, for the sake of your infinite mercy. Amen. Saint Anthony of Padua

NOVENA PRAYER FOR PENTECOST

Come, Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with your love.

Set our lives aflame with your gifts.

Grant us wisdom to choose what is good and true;

understanding to embrace your plan of salvation;

right judgment to act according to your will;

courage to share our faith with others;

knowledge to live as disciples of Jesus Christ;

reverence to respond faithfully to your grace each day;

and wonder and awe in your presence.

Inspire us with enthusiasm for our Catholic faith.

Grant us boldness to proclaim the good news of salvation

in Jesus Christ, and help us to bring

the transforming power of the gospel to our world.

We make this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit

Replace the tension within us
with holy relaxation.

Replace the turbulence within us
with a quiet confidence

Replace the anxiety within us
with a quiet confidence.

Replace the fear within us
with a strong faith.

Replace the bitterness within us
with the sweetness of grace.

Replace the darkness within us with
with a gentile light.

Replace the coldness within us
with a loving warmth..

Replace the night within us
with your light.

Replace the winter within us
with your spring.

Straighten our crookedness.

Fill our emptiness.

Dull the edge of our pride.

Sharpen the edge of our humility.

Light the fires of our love.

Quench the flames of our lust.

Let us see ourselves as you see us that

we may see you as you have promised and be fortunate
according to your word.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Catholic Ministry Appeal Update as of April 30, 2020

GSCC :	# of Donors	\$ Pledged	Amount Paid to date	% of goal pledged	Parish Goal
	138	\$37,068	\$36,073	98.36%	\$37,686

The 2019/2020 Catholic Ministry Appeal is coming to a close. We are less than 2% of reaching our parish goals. If you are still paying on your pledge please try to pay off the balance by May 30th. If payments come in at a later date they will be credited to next year's appeal goal. I thank all of you who have made a gift to this year's appeal in support of the Diocesan ministries. Gifts can still be made at the diocesan website; dor.org. Again, I thank everyone for their generosity. God's blessings and peace, *Father Bill*

Nomination Form for Good Shepherd Catholic Community Pastoral Council

I nominate myself ___ Name: _____ Phone #: _____
My Worship Site is: _____

Or

I nominate _____ Phone #: _____
Nominee's Worship Site is: _____

**Please place this nomination form in the collection basket or mail it in to the
Main Office, P.O. Box 296, Aurora, NY 13026 by Monday, May 25, 2020.**