

GOOD SHEPHERD

Catholic Church

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Parish Office

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Website

www.gscmo.org

Office Hours

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Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5pm; Sunday - 7:30am and 10:30am

Wednesday - 9am; (No Masses on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)

Confessions

Saturday - 4:30-4:45pm, or by appointment with Fr. Terrell

Baptism

Please call the office as soon as possible at 816-532-4344. Baptismal prep for the parents is required for first child.

First Penance/First Eucharist

Contact Tessa Rielley in the parish office.

* Children who are to prepare for the sacraments of Penance, Eucharist, or Confirmation must have completed the prior year of religious education.

High School Confirmation

Contact Tessa Rielley in the parish office.

Marriage

Please consult with pastor at least nine months before anticipated marriage. Must be registered for one year prior to initial contact with pastor.

RCIA (Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact Ron Sondag in the parish office.

Parish Council

President - Teresa Fantasma

Vice President - Connie Hill

Secretary - Sharmila McCauley

Members-at-large - Renee Johnson, Joe Albers, Charlotte Albers, Barb Pruett, Mary Ann Armstrong, Shane Alexander, Glenn Harmon, Erin & Alex Yendrek, Roxanne & Tony Ratzloff

Finance Council

Chairperson - Lee Ann Fadler

Mario Fantasma, Scott Ready, Mike Thompson

Altar Society

President - Polly Harter

Vice President - Helen Smith

Social time 6:30 to 7pm

Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

Knights of Columbus

Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7pm. Call John Wise (816-532-0703) or go to www.kofc9272.com for more info.

Mass Intentions

For the week of August 2

Saturday, August 1 5:00pm	+Francis "Buzz" Schneller
Sunday, August 2 7:30am 10:30am	+Deceased Members of Ramsey & Lawson Families +David Stodden
Monday, August 3 (No Mass)	
Tuesday, August 4 (No Mass)	
Wednesday, August 5 9:00am	+Jack Pruett
Thursday, August 6 (No Mass)	
Friday, August 7 (No Mass)	
Saturday, August 8 5:00pm	Intentions of the Parish
Sunday, August 9 7:30am 10:30am	+Tim Tomilson + Deceased members K of C

Grateful Stewardship to God

July 19th Offertory

Envelope.....	\$4961.00
Plate	\$195.00
Online Giving	\$4549.00
Children's Collection	\$00.00
Debt Reduction	\$258.00

**Thank you for your continued support
of Good Shepherd Parish.**

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankesj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chas-tain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Ministry Schedules

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 1/2

LECTORS

5:00 pm	Jackie Benn
7:30 am	Bob Webb
10:30 am	Erica Wilson

USHERS

5:00 pm	Richard Boyle, Greg nelson, (volunteer)
7:30 am	Frank Kram, Tony Ratzloff, Mike Schockey
10:30 am	Shane Alexander, Quinton Wilson, Jeremy Wilson

MUSICIANS

5:00 pm	Kathleen Renczarski, Carol Noecker
7:30 am	Jeff Seba, Caroline Ramsey
10:30 am	Jeff Seba, Laura Alexander

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 8/9

LECTORS

5:00 pm	Pam Castor
7:30 am	Kim Krueger
10:30 am	Genevieve Mehan

USHERS

5:00 pm	Richard Boyle, (volunteer), (volunteer)
7:30 am	Frank Kram, Tony Ratzloff, Mike Schockey
10:30 am	Shane Alexander, Mario Fantasma, Glenn Harmon

MUSICIANS

5:00 pm	Kathleen Renczarski, Tom Quade
7:30 am	Chaz Walgren
10:30 am	Chaz Walgren

GOSPEL MEDITATION

August 2, 2020

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Many people in our world are hungry and thirsty. This hunger and thirst go well beyond physical needs for food, security, and shelter. Many are emotionally and spiritually parched, too. Behind every act of violence is a soul who hungers. People live with relationships that actually starve them. They are abused, exploited, disrespected, laughed at, and marginalized. There is a lot of confusion and inner pain that needs to be acknowledged and expressed. We all long to be understood and loved, even when our inner demons or who I am make it difficult to be. Do you live with inner confusion and pain? Folks often wander through life without any real direction or purpose and take their cues from what seems satisfying or popular at the moment. The deeper dots of our lives can easily remain unconnected, and we can find ourselves without grounding, purpose, or real happiness. Life becomes shallow and without real purpose as we hunger and thirst for an ultimate love.

It's easier to see the physical hungers and thirsts. We try to respond to these as best we can. Much more needs to be done. With all that God's earth can provide, nobody ought to face sleep at night with a belly that's empty. It's sinful. It's unjust. But isn't all hunger unjust? It doesn't need to be, and it should not be. Just as no one ought to be physically hungry and thirsty, there is really no need to be emotionally or spiritually deficient either. If we have more privileges at our fingertips, it is easier to try to satisfy our emotional and spiritual hungers and thirst by acting on . (Continued on next page)

Good Shepherd Calendar

SATURDAY, August 1

- Mass, 5pm

SUNDAY, August 2

- Masses, 7:30am and 10:30am
- Exposition/Adoration following 10:30 Mass until Midnight

MONDAY, August 3

- (No Mass)

TUESDAY, August 4

- (No Mass)

WEDNESDAY, August 5

- Mass, 9am
- Virtual Bible Study, 3pm

THURSDAY, August 6

- (No Mass)

FRIDAY, August 7

- (No Mass)

SATURDAY, August 8

- Mass, 5pm

SUNDAY, August 9

- Masses, 7:30am and 10:30am

MONDAY, August 10

- (No Mass)

TUESDAY, August 11

- (No Mass)

WEDNESDAY, August 12

- Mass, 9am
- Virtual Bible Study, 3pm

THURSDAY, August 13

- (No Mass)

FRIDAY, August 14

- (No Mass)

SATURDAY, August 15

- Mass, 5pm

SUNDAY, August 16

- Masses, 7:30am and 10:30am
- Exposition/Adoration following 10:30 Mass until Midnight

For the monthly calendar, please visit the parish website: www.gscemo.org



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Folks need to know where to look for nourishment and need the right friends to help them find it. We may not think that we have enough to respond to and to satisfy all of the needs, but we do. It doesn't take much. Five loaves and two fish provided for a huge crowd. With God, all things are possible. Our faith provides the direction for where God's children must go to find the nourishment they seek. It also tells us how to structure life so that justice and equity can be a reality for all. It also tells us how to respond to pain, sinfulness, and confusion. Come to the water and then help another get there.

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The Power of a Simple Action

I remember seeing a story on a morning news program about a little girl who wanted to give an elderly man in a grocery store a hug. She had no way of knowing that this man had just lost his wife of many years and now felt so very alone and depressed. Her reaching out to the man seemed odd to her mom at first, but the girl was so insistent about giving a hug she moved the shopping carts close together so the exchange could take place. No one knew that from that moment on the little girl would ask to visit her new friend at least once a week for the next four years until he passed away. In an interview soon after the initial encounter, the man said, "I haven't been this happy in some time." Imagine the joy that relationship brought to them both over the years!

It was just a moment. It was a simple gesture. Yet, it had a large impact that no one could have predicted. You never know what will result when we give just a little of ourselves. That uncertainty too often leads us to hold back or refrain from the simple actions of love or gestures of generosity that could come so easily for us if we wanted. We should never doubt the power of a simple random act of kindness. Generosity does not need to be grand to make a big difference. The time is now, and the opportunity presents itself often to plant a small seed that God can water and nourish so that something beautiful can grow.

– Tracy Earl Welliver

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