



Good Shepherd Church

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 29 & 30, 2017



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Saturday July 29
4:00PM Jean Mayton ~ Trish & Bria Kringe

Sunday July 30
8:00AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd
10:00AM Patrick Fay ~ The Fay Family

Monday July 31
8:00AM Thomas McKeone ~ Donna & Ron Gantz

Tuesday August 1
8:00AM Joseph A. Doyle ~ Wife, Emma & Children
 & M/M John Harris – Daughter, Emma

Wednesday August 2
8:00AM John Williams ~ Wife, MaryAnn & Family

Thursday August 3
8:00AM In Honor of Miriam Heverline (Retirement from the Missions Office) ~ Elaine Beltrami

Friday August 4
8:00AM Marian Matusick Chavez ~ Leo & Lucy Drasher

Saturday August 5
4:00PM Emmett & Margaret McGuire ~ Jim & Barb McGuire

Sunday August 6
8:00AM Wesley Deaton ~ St. Leo's Class of 1959
10:00AM Parishioners of Good Shepherd

First Friday: Friday, August 4, is the first Friday of the month. Following the 8:00AM Mass, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Morning Prayer, Divine Mercy Devotion and closing Benediction.

FROM THE PASTOR... Fr. McHugh.

The July issue of *Columbia*, the magazine of the Knights of Columbus, had a very interesting article entitled "Caseys at the Bat." The article was written by Jim Leeke, a member of the Society of American Baseball Research, popularly known as SABR, and dealt with Major League players going overseas to visit troops and run baseball programs. The player most in the spotlight in the article was Johnny Evers, the Hall of Fame shortstop who was part of the famous Tinker to Evers to Chance double play combination for the Cubs for many years. Evers was from Troy, New York, and was a member of K of C Council #176. After spending time with the Cubs, Evers finished his career with the Boston Braves and the Red Sox and was Babe Ruth's roommate. Evers volunteered to go overseas to both visit troops and serve as an athletic director. Evers started his day by visiting the wounded. He risked his life visiting troops on the front line. Another Hall of Famer from Pittston who died in Scranton who was a star with Baltimore and managed the Cobb-led Detroit Tigers to several pennants and also volunteered to go overseas was Hughie Jennings. The war ended before he got his chance. After his baseball career concluded, Jennings was a trial lawyer in Scranton. My great uncle, Monsignor Connell A. McHugh, anointed and spent a good deal of time with Jennings during his final illness. Another Scrantonian, Bill Coughlin, a member of Scranton Council #280, was very active in baseball overseas during the War Years. The Major League ballplayers who were members of the Knights of Columbus who represented the organization during World War I overseas were called "Caseys." Johnny Evers remarked that he was never more enthusiastic about anything more than his role as a Casey.

Stewardship

695 families received envelopes.
 Offertory Envelopes for the weekend 7/22:

MASS TIME	NUMBER OF FAMILIES OFFERING	AMOUNT OF OFFERING	ATTENDANCE AT MASS
8:00PM	78	\$1,021.00	229
8:00AM	76	\$1,290.00	164
10:00AM	59	\$1,024.00	186
	Loose	\$ 224.00	
	Total	\$3,559.00	579

Worship

The Tabernacle Candle burns this week for **Special Intentions**.

The Rose for Life this week is in memory of **Josephine Gundry** by the William Kringe family.



Breakfast: Sunday, August 6, is breakfast Sunday. Please try to support the breakfast. There will not be a breakfast in September due to the Labor Day weekend.

Catholic Relief Collection: The second collection this weekend is for Catholic Relief. Envelopes are in your packet.

The Solemnity of the Assumption: This occurs on Tuesday, August 15, and is a holy day of obligation. The Vigil Mass will be offered at 5:30PM on Monday, and on Tuesday, Masses will be celebrated at 12 Noon and 5:00PM. Try to make a sacrifice to attend. There will not be an 8:00AM Mass on Tuesday, but there will be an 8:00AM Mass on Monday, August 14th.

St. Ann's Novena: We had about 25 to 30 people attend the St. Ann's Novena each morning. With the sudden storm last Saturday evening, about 70 people stayed for the Novena until the storm died down.

Word

Theme – Where Your Treasure Is, There Is Your

Heart: The first reading from 1st Kings and the Gospel from Matthew encourage us to examine our priorities in life. In the first reading, God asks Solomon what he would like God to give him. Solomon asks for the gift of wisdom, and God is pleased with Solomon's choice. For many centuries, we have identified Solomon with wisdom. Today's Gospel is from Chapter 13 of Matthew, who presents us with three more parables. The first two, The Treasure, and The Pearl of Great Price, are companion, or twin, parables. Both stress the need for obtaining what is most important to us. The first parable of The Treasure relates that a man finds a treasure in a field and goes and sells all he has to purchase the field. Legally, the treasure belonged to the person who owned the field. Jesus is not condoning dishonesty, but simply employing a story to show how important the Kingdom of God is. The Pearl of Great Price is about the joy of discovery and the willingness to give up everything for something of great value, which in this case, refers to the Kingdom of God. The third parable of The Dragnet is a parable of separation, much like The Wheat and The Weeds. It refers to final judgment. Alfred Hitchcock fans likely remember his cameo appearances in many of his films. Matthew speaks of a scribe instructed in the kingdom, which could refer to himself.

Praying With Scripture:

1. Think of the people and things which are the pearls of great price in your life.
2. What sacrifices are you making to further God's kingdom?
3. Pray for the gift of wisdom to be able to discern what is valuable in life.

We welcome Amelia Mae Murray, Michael Jeffrey Brioc, Jace Ryan Pienkowski, and Konnor Raymond Lindsey who were recently baptized at Good Shepherd Parish.

Call for Altar Servers: Any boy or girl who has received Holy Communion and wishes to become an altar server is asked to fill out the coupon below. We will run the appeal for servers throughout July and hopefully begin practicing in August if there is a response.

ALTAR SERVER REGISTRATION

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Grade _____

Community

Bingo at Good Shepherd Church Hall is held every Tuesday evening.

Doors open at 5:00 PM; games start at 6:00 PM. Food and refreshments are available.



Start saving your books, children's games, CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, and records that you don't need anymore for the **Book Sale** being held on **October 14 & 15**. More details will appear in future bulletins.

FR. CONNELL'S TRIVIA

1. LaSalle won the NCAA basketball tournament in 1954 and lost in the final in 1955. Which player led LaSalle to victory in 1954 and to the final game in 1955?
2. What team and what famous player defeated LaSalle in the 1955 NCAA final?

Last Week's Answers:

1. The Giant outfield of Monte Irvin, Willie Mays and Hank Thompson comprised the first all-black Major League outfield in 1951.
2. Hank Thompson was the first black player for both the St. Louis Browns and New York Giants. He also was the first black Major League player to face Don Newcombe, a black pitcher.

The Women of Good Shepherd

It's time to get crafty... Roseanne Ervin from Custom Design Wreaths will be our guest speaker at our **August 14th** meeting beginning at **6:30PM**. She will show us how to make mesh wreaths. The wreaths will be a neutral color and you will have the opportunity to customize your wreath. Please bring with you any decorative ribbon or holiday add-ons (Fall, Halloween, Christmas, etc.) that you would like to attach to your wreath. Roseanne asks that we pre-register for the event so she can bring enough supplies. The cost of the event will be \$5.00, payable that evening. To pre-register, please call 570-401-5092 by August 9th. We hope to see you there! Membership is open to all women of Good Shepherd Church.

The Shepherd's Hands

100th-Year Anniversary of the Apparitions at

Fatima: Anyone interested in planning a parish celebration this October to close the 100th-year anniversary of the Fatima apparitions is invited to attend a planning meeting on **Thursday, August 3, at 6:00PM** in the St. Joseph Room. See you there!

The Shepherd's Hands meeting will not be held on Thursday, August 3rd. We hope you will attend the Fatima Anniversary meeting.

The Good Shepherd Pro-Lifers

The Rosary prayed during the month of July is for all aspects of the military. The final decade of the Rosary is for world leaders in hopes that they will find peaceful solutions to world conflicts and that God may bless America. Please pray for these intentions this week.

We would like some feedback on whether this is something the parishioners would like to do from time to time. Call Mary at 570-788-3271.

~ Respectfully submitted by Mary Cressman