



Good Shepherd Catholic Church

November 9 & 10, 2024

Mass Schedule:

Wednesday 9 am

Friday 9 am

Saturday 4 pm

Sunday 11 am

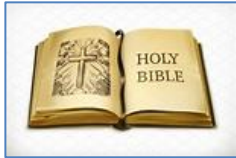
Confession 8:15 – 8:45 am

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Confession 3:00 – 3:45 pm

Livestream Mass on YouTube or Facebook at Good Shepherd Catholic Church McCormick

THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Glory & Praise Book # 947



First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16
Responsorial: Psalm 146:7,8-9,9-10
Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

MASS SCHEDULE

Welcome

We welcome all visitors and invite you to join us again for worship. Please sign our guest book and feel free to write your prayer intentions in our Community Book of Prayer. If you would like to help us with the support of our Church campus, please place an offering in the "Welcome" envelopes located on the back of the pews and drop it in the offertory basket.

Mission Statement

Good Shepherd Catholic Church is passionately committed to service, in accordance with the pastoral vision of the Diocese of Charleston, to being servants of God and good stewards of the Sacred Mysteries. We strive to be a holy and God-centered community growing in joyful righteousness and living without fear by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Empowered by the Spirit, we will help inspire, educate, and support our community and work for unity among the Churches.

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Parish Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9 am-Noon

Saturday, Nov 9th 4 pm + Deceased members of Hetler & Stirtzinger families requested by Mary Stirtzinger

Lector: Dave Lorenzatti

EM of HC :Karen Boerner

Ushers: Karen Faaborg & Linda Bumber

Sunday, Nov 10th 11 am + Tom Morgan requested by Joan Morgan

Lector: Dick Balogh

EM of HC : Pat Tortorello

Ushers: Mark Boerner

Wednesday Nov 13th 9 am CANCELLED

Thursday, Nov. 14th 9 am – Healing Mass

Friday Nov 15th 9 am + Dee Stoops requested by Vince & Dorothy Ficocelli

Saturday, Nov. 16th 4 pm +Virginia Castle requested by Joylene Castle

Lector: Jackie Novak

EM of HC : Fabio Espinosa

Ushers: Ray DeShano & Chris Benedetto

Sunday, Nov. 17th 11 am + Kris Adden requested by Don & Michele Raaen

Lector :Steve LaPonte

EM of HC : Carol LaPonte

Ushers: Pat Ouellette & Mark Leszczynski

UPCOMING EVENT

Nov 11	Joyful Journey 3 pm
Nov 13	Women's Club Meeting noon
Nov 13	Men's Club meeting 5:30 pm
Nov 14	Healing Mass 9 am
Nov 16	Roadside pickup Men's club



Pray for our Military Members

Sophie Augustine
Brianna & Stephen Balogh
Sarah Balogh
David Bobier
Eric Brandon
Ryan Chemelewski
Nate Dreslinski
Connor Joyce
Cassie Newkirk
Kaylin Neuman
Savanna Obermeyer
Aspen Quam
Daniel & Brandi Stricker
Cody Tiller
Thomas Wulforst

Sean Avery
Christopher R. Balogh
Aaron T. Bird
Chris Brandon
Drew Chadwick
Paul Cross
Jake Ivey
Ian Leszczynski
Noah Neuman
Stockton Obermeyer
Declan Pemberton
Daniel O'Donnell
Jonathon Taylor
Ashley Wulforst



Pray for our Sick & Home Bound

Matthew Dill, Lana Kittenbrink, Bobby Passafaro,
Paul Ruelle, John & Diane Scardace, Skip Tortorello,
Bud Webster, Linda Wyland.

....and those intentions written in our Community Book of
Prayer. All requests must be cleared by the recipient or
family if possible.

Collection Report

Weekend of November 2 & 3, 2024

<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
\$6610.00	\$5,319.00	+\$1,291.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS.
You can mail your contributions to Good Shepherd
Church, P. O. Box 1468, McCormick, SC 2983

Feast Days: November 9th St. John Lateran
November 10th St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor
of the Church

GRANDMOTHER MINISTRY

The following items are needed for this ministry:
fruit cups, canned or microwave spaghetti, mac



& cheese, cereal, soup, regular
grits, peanut butter and jelly or
any other non-perishable items
that kids will eat or drink.

Please also consider toilet
paper, cleaning products, cash
and gift cards from Food Lion or
the Dollar stores. Please drop
off your items in the Life Center marked "Billie".
Thank you for your generosity

FOOD PANTRY



Items for this month are canned
vegetables and canned fruit.
Please drop off items in the Life
Center marked Food Pantry"

**Reminder: Please return all Helping Hand
Thanksgiving grocery bags before
November 17th.**

PUBLIC RELATIONS VOLUNTEER POSITION FOR GOOD SHEPHERD

The Parish Council would like to add a Public
Relations position as an ad-hoc to the Parish
Council. This position would manage
communications between Good Shepherd Church
and the public to increase and shape the public's
perception of our Church. It would require you to
publicize all the good works and events conducted
by the Church or its ministries. If you would like to
volunteer for this position, please email your
name to the parish office at gschurch@wctel.net



For those with an intolerance to wheat products, we are using Vatican approved “low gluten” hosts (70 ppm of gluten) deemed safe for use for most people with Celiac intolerance. During the reception of Communion, please come forward on the priest’s side of the church and request “low gluten”.

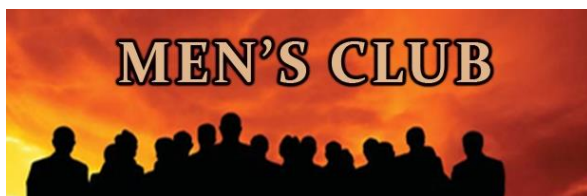
BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In the Catholic Church, November is traditionally a time to remember, and pray for, the dead. During the month of November, we will have a Book of Remembrance, located at the back of the church. Parishioners and visitors are invited to write the names of *departed loved ones they would like to be remembered during this month*. The Book of Remembrance will be carried to the altar with the offertory gifts at all weekend masses. The book will be available through the month of November.



WOMEN’S CLUB MEETING

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 13TH STARTING AT NOON. Our guest speaker is Craig Pierre from MAVA (McCormick Area Veterans Association). Luncheon is a “thanksgiving feast “



Next Men’s Club meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13th at 5:30 pm

FYI – November 16th is the Church roadside clean up. Please volunteer your time to remove garbage from the area around the Church. More details to follow.



Hearing assistance devices are available for use during Mass. **The devices are on the ledge by the choir area in a basket.** Please return after using.



GOOD SHEPHERD BENEVOLENT BAKE SALE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH NOON 7 pm
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH NOON 7 pm

BAKERS AND WORKERS ARE NEEDED!

Funds raised will benefit the following charitable organizations:

McCormick Brownie Troop #6318
Luther Church Prime Time Ministry
Meg's House
Hospice Care of the Piedmont

Backpack Ministry
McCormick County First Steps
Crossroads Pregnancy Center
Good Shepherd Angel Tree

Baked goods MUST be packaged by the baker ready for sale and clearly labeled with the contents. See-through boxes, plastic containers or bags, and plastic wrap tightly are acceptable packaging. Please use only containers that have a window for the customer to see the product. Please no refrigerated items either. We suggest that cookies be packaged by the dozen, ½ dozen or individually.

BAKED GOODS CAN DELIVERED TO THE PARISH LIFE CENTER FOR PRICING ON THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 5TH FROM 9:00 AM – 4 PM
WORKERS ARE NEEDED ON THURSDAY TO HELP PRICE ITEMS

Volunteers are also needed to sell our baked goods during the festival on
Friday, December 6th and Saturday, December 7th in two-hour shifts.

Contact Debby Dill at debby.dill@yahoo.com or 612-387-9804

In lieu of baking you can make a monetary donation.

Father Jacob's Homily for the Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Times.

Whenever we read today's gospel there is a tendency to make a judgment about people who are donating to the church. St. Mark may not have any such intentions in his mind when he introduced this episode into his gospel. This brief episode carries some important truths to us.

First, God looks into the hearts of the people. God always judges a person. We look at the actions of the people and judge them by giving rewards or punishments depending on the actions of a person. We have a few very good examples from the Bible. The Lord, when he selected David as the King of Israel said this clearly. David was the last among the sons of Jesse. In the book of I Samuel we read, when the prophet Samuel saw Eliab, the eldest son of Jesse, he said to himself, "Surely the Lord's anointed is here before him." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not judge from his appearance... I have rejected him... man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart." The appointment of Peter as the head of the Church and the call of St. Paul are against the judgment of others.

Secondly the story of the widow's generosity is well placed at this stage in Mark's gospel. The poor woman typifies what Jesus will do himself – give everything as an offering to God. When Jesus is finished giving there will be nothing left for him to give. The two small coins make up the total of her resources. She could have kept one. She doesn't. Her reckless generosity cannot be bettered. For Jesus, true generosity is measured not by what people give but by what they have left after they give. When Jesus gave himself to his Father as a sacrifice on the cross, He left nothing for himself.

The offering of the poor woman is not only a mere giving to the Lord but the total emptying of herself also, for which every Christian is called. Every day demands are made on us. We are called to be generous with our love, our forgiveness, our patience and our resources. The Lord asks of us for total commitment to our family, to the job, to the church and to the nation. At the end we must be totally empty.

The few coins she placed in the poor box expressed a level of sacrifice and generosity others were unprepared to give. It is always tempting for us to substitute external gestures for inner conversion. The opposite extreme, of course, is to claim an inner conversion that never sees the light of day in how we live. These are both temptations we face today. The first seeks external conformity to the practices of faith with a heart to which the faith is a stranger. The other, Jesus is in our heart but not in our daily life.

There is another way of giving ourselves that we may not think of as fulfilling the great commandment of love. It's doing our job. Most jobs have an element of service that challenges the idealism and integrity of the worker. Some of our day-to-day problems come from lack of integrity. Jobs are poorly done. Promises are not kept. These things happen because people don't take pride in their work.

Finally, in the middle of the nation of Israel, which was so frequently unfaithful, there was a small group of people called the “holy remnant” who kept the faith vital and alive. Widows and orphans often symbolize them. These are people who had been cleansed by the difficulties of life and knew their dependence was ultimately on God. They were the spiritual heart of the nation.

We can be like that widow and rest of the holy remnant for our church and our nation. For our church and nation can be a place where the truth of Jesus Christ and His grace are alive and well. Let us be part of that holy remnant, giving the word of God to for all, living our faith, uniting with both the head and the body of the church.

We can be that remnant, as the place of that light burns so that people can turn to us to rediscover their soul and to redefine their life.

Father Joseph Jacob

The Rosary is said prior to Mass on Saturday at 3: 30 pm and Sunday at 10:30 am. Please join us as we pray to Mary for our parish, community and nation.





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