

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

## October 26 & 27, 2024



### Mass Schedule:

Wednesday 9 am

Friday 9 am

Saturday 4 pm

Sunday 11 am

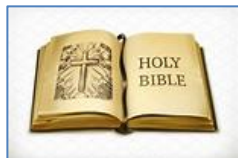
Confession 8:15 – 8:45 am

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Confession 3:00 – 3:45 pm

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

### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Glory & Praise Book # 941



First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 7-9

Responsorial: Psalm 126: 1-6

Second Reading: Hebrews 5: 1-6

Gospel: Mark 10 : 46-52

### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, Oct 26<sup>th</sup> 4 pm** + Laurie Chemelewski requested by Ken Chemelewski, Tom Fortunato requested by Mike & Debby Dill, Daniel Currie requested by Hilda Currie & Nina & Doug Lilly

Lector: Jackie Novak

EM of HC : Dave Lorenzatti

Ushers: Barb Zust & Carol Holben

**Sunday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> 11 am** + Kris Adden requested by Don & Michele Raaen, Alfred Leszczynski & Jimmy Wilcox requested by Mark & Teresa Leszczynski

Lector: Elizabeth Ficocelli

EM of HC : Mark Ficocelli

Ushers: Lee & Pat Stickdorn

**Wednesday Oct.30<sup>th</sup> 9 am** + Delicia McEvilly, requested by Pete & Chris Benedetto

**Thursday Octo 31<sup>st</sup> 4 pm** Vigil Mass for All Soul's

Lector: Linda DeShano

EM of HC : Ginny Vose

Ushers:

**Friday Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 9 am All Saints Day** + Julia Marguerite Hansen requested by Ted & Linda Hansen

Lector: Ruth Obermeyer

EM of HC : Dick Obermeyer

Ushers: William & Gretchen Keneson

**Saturday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> 10 am** + All Soul's Day Mass

Lector: Mary James

EM of HC: Pat Stickdorn

Ushers:

**Saturday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> 4 pm** .+ Deceased members of Popejoy/Dreslinski Families requested by Tom & Deb Popejoy

Lector: Tom Popejoy

EM of HC :Pat Kuech

Ushers: Jerry & Barb Wishall

**Sunday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> 11 am** + Mercedes Vega requested by Mary James & Nita Loper

Lector :Rick Ring

EM of HC : Marie Ring

Ushers: Pat Ouelette & William Keneson

### 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

### UPCOMING EVENT

Oct 31	Vigil Mass for All Saints 4 pm
Nov 01	All Saints Day – First Friday 9 am
Nov 02	All Souls Day 10 am
Nov 07	Special Mass for all souls in Columbarium 9 am
Nov 11	Joyful Journey 3 pm
Nov 14	Healing Mass 9 am
Nov. 16	Roadside pickup Men's club



### Pray for our Military Members

Sophie Augustine	Sean Avery
Brianna & Stephen Balogh	Christopher R. Balogh
Sarah Balogh	Aaron T. Bird
David Bobier	Chris Brandon
Eric Brandon	Drew Chadwick
Ryan Chemelewski	Paul Cross
Nate Dreslinski	Jake Ivey
Connor Joyce	Ian Leszczynski
Cassie Newkirk	Noah Neuman
Kaylin Neuman	Stockton Obermeyer
Savanna Obermeyer	Aspen Quam
Daniel O'Donnell	Daniel & Brandi Stricker
Jonathon Taylor	Cody Tiller
Ashley Wulforst	Thomas Wulforst



### Pray for our Sick & Home Bound

Matthew Dill, Lana Kittenbrink, Bobby Passafaro, Paul Ruelle, John & Diane Scardace, Skip Tortorello, and 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 October 19 & 20, 2024

<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
\$3435.00	<u>\$5,319.00</u>	<b>-\$1,884.00</b>

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

### 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"



SECOND COLLECTION ON OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup> & 27<sup>TH</sup> FOR DIOCESAN DISASTER

RELIEF FUND TO HELP THOSE IN NEED FROM BOTH HURRICANES.

### Welcome New Parishioner

Mr. John McCann & Mrs. Lauren Walter from Our Lady of Good Council in Plymouth, Michigan.



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.

## *Special All Soul’s Mass*

*Saturday, Nov. 2, 10:00 a.m.*

*Father Jacob will celebrate a special All Soul’s Mass on Saturday Nov. 2 at 10:00 a.m. to honor Good Shepherd parishioner’s deceased family members. There will be a candle procession for those who have lost family members since last November 2, or who are having a ‘special’ memorial anniversary, i.e. ,5, 10, 15, 20 years etc.*



*If you wish to participate, please email Linda DeShano*  
[ldeshano@yahoo.com](mailto:ldeshano@yahoo.com)

*with the following information by Oct. 28:*

<i>Parishioner’s Name</i>	<i>Relationship to deceased</i>
<i>A photo of the deceased</i>	<i>Deceased’s Name</i>
<i>Date of Death</i>	

*All parishioners are welcome to come and pray for their deceased loved ones whether you are in the candle procession or not. It is a perfect opportunity to remember them in a special way, as well as support our recently grieving parishioners and friends.*



Volunteers are still needed to lead the Rosary prior to Saturday and Sunday Mass. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please consider offering your time to pray to the Blessed Mother for our community and our Nation.



## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

QUESTIONS about your faith??? **Join OCIA**

Now would be a great time to get answers to all those questions that bug you about the Catholic Faith. All are welcome to attend these classes - not just those who are considering joining the Catholic Faith. The sessions are informal with ample time for questions and discussion. We will tackle the difficult issues: "Real Presence", Holy Trinity, marriage, annulments, confession, etc. On October 31st our class will tour the church building and hear what all the "stuff" is and why we and the celebrant do what we do at Mass. All are welcome to join us for this tour on Thursday, October 31 at 7:00pm.

please contact Dick Obermeyer at [864-391-3321](tel:864-391-3321) or email [obob@wctel.net](mailto:obob@wctel.net).



## LECTOR AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

Training for ALL EXISTING AND INCOMING (those desiring to become Lectors and/or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion) will be held on

Wednesday, October 30th at 4:00pm. Please consider joining one or both Ministries.



A big thank you to all who helped with food preparation, set up, serving and cleaning up for Helen Balogh's funeral reception. Without all of you none of this would be possible. The food was delicious, and the family was very thankful. Please keep Dick and his family in your prayers.

Team #3-Ginny Vose & Carol LaPonte

## **The History of All Saints Day**

All Saints Day is a surprisingly old feast. It arose out of the Christian tradition of celebrating the martyrdom of saints on the anniversary of their martyrdom. When martyrdoms increased during the persecutions of the late Roman Empire, local dioceses instituted a common feast day to ensure that all martyrs, known and unknown, were properly honored.

By the late fourth century, this common feast was celebrated in Antioch, and Saint Ephrem the Syrian mentioned it in a sermon in 373. In the early centuries, this feast was celebrated in the Easter season, and the Eastern Churches, both Catholic, and Orthodox, still celebrate it then, tying the celebration of the lives of the saints in with Christ's Resurrection.

### **Why November 1?**

The current date of November 1 was instituted by Pope Gregory III (731-741), when he consecrated a chapel to all the martyrs in Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome. Gregory ordered his priests to celebrate the Feast of All Saints annually. This celebration was originally confined to the diocese of Rome, but Pope Gregory IV (827-844) extended the feast to the entire Church and ordered it to be celebrated on November 1.

### **Halloween, All Saints Day, and All Souls Day**

In English, the traditional name for All Saints Day was All Hallows Day. (A *hallow* was a saint or holy person.) The vigil or eve of the feast, October 31, is still commonly known as All Hallows Eve, or Halloween. Despite concerns among some Christians (including some Catholics) in recent years about the "pagan origins" of Halloween the vigil was celebrated from the beginning — long before Irish practices, stripped of their pagan origins (just as the Christmas tree was stripped of similar connotations), were incorporated into popular celebrations of the feast.

In fact, in post-Reformation England, the celebration of Halloween and All Saints Day were outlawed not because they were considered pagan but because they were Catholic. Later, in the Puritan areas of the Northeastern United States, Halloween was outlawed for the same reason, before Irish Catholic immigrants revived the practice as a way of celebrating the vigil of All Saints Day.

All Saints Day is followed by All Souls Day (November 2), the day on which Catholics commemorate all those Holy Souls who have died and are in Purgatory, being cleansed of their sins so that they can enter into the presence of God in Heaven.

By Scott P. Richert

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle B

Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem where he has to undergo great suffering and die at the hands of the leaders of his people. Jerusalem was the center of religious, economic and political power. As Jesus, his disciples and the crowd are leaving Jericho they encounter the blind man and Jesus opened his eyes. Jesus cures the blind man in fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophecy that in the day of the Messiah the blind would once more see. The point is not what Jesus did for Bartimaeus, but what He can do for us because there are many kinds of blindness. This miracle may bring many kinds of blindness to our minds. There is of course, physical blindness, the absence of vision. Physical sight is vital to all of us. Apart from not being able to see trees and sunsets, the blind person cannot see a car coming, the stranger lurking, the symptoms of a disease the expression on the face of a person speaking to him or her. Physical blindness is dangerous. So, we can understand the thrill of Bartimaeus' cure. We are blessed to have it with sight.

There is another kind of blindness, even more dangerous than physical blindness, and that is moral blindness. Moral sight or vision is called conscience. Consider the tragedy of moral blindness, people who harm others and could not feel anything or do not care; to explain this with some examples let me say ... a pathological liar, a person who slander another, a person who steals, a person unfaithful to spouse and goes on as though nothing happened. The gift of conscience, a kind of moral eyesight, is a magnificent gift that helps us know right from wrong. Following it is another step. It is a gift to know when we have failed, betrayed another, when we have rebelled, when our life is on the wrong track, when we are headed for destruction. It is healthy to feel shame, regret and guilt because those are the warning signs of a working conscience, our moral radar that helps to get back on track. There is a third type of blindness which is the blindness of unbelief. Faith enables us that we are more than our body, our feelings and emotions and more than our IQ. We have an immortal soul who has the destiny to live with God forever, a soul with great human dignity. By opening the eyes of Bartimaeus, Jesus is acknowledging the dignity and the immense value every person has in His sight. Physical sight comes through our eyes, moral sight comes through our conscience and spiritual sight comes through our faith.

If these three visions are not working together it may cause a distorted vision. Jesus says in his sermon on the mount, "The light of the body is the eye. If your eye is sound, your whole body will be filled with light; but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be in darkness. And if the light in you is darkness, how great will the darkness be." (Matt 6:22-23). The light which gets into our heart, soul and being, depends on the spiritual state of the eye, which is supported by the other two visions, has to pass through the eye which is the window of the whole body. The vision can be distorted by many things like pride, jealousy, self-conceit, greed and many things depending on each person.

The healing in the Gospel takes place as a result of lamentation, a prayer made out of the hope that things can change. Bartimaeus cried out, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." That prayer expresses the pain and the faith of Bartimaeus; he believed in a God who pays attention. He focused on Jesus, ignoring all other advice. He gave his unmixed attention to Jesus. The spiritual sight was so strong in him so that Jesus returned to him the full sight.

As Christians and believers in Jesus Christ our light is the Christ who dwells in our heart through our faith and by the grace of God. Then what is said in the Book of Revelation is fulfilled here on earth in our life. "Nothing accursed will be found within us. Night will be no more, nor will they need lamp or Sun, for the Lord God shall give them light, and they shall reign forever.





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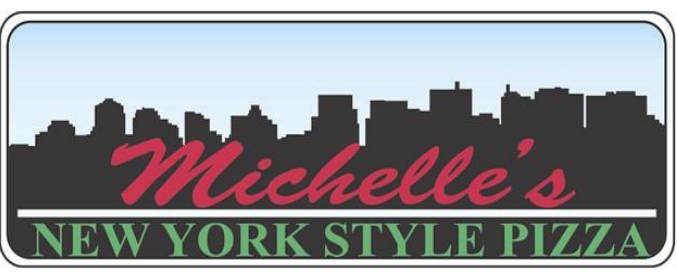
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