Welcome To
GOOD SHEPHERD
Catholic Church
Menomonee Falls, WI
(A Member of the Menomonee Falls Cluster Parishes)
~ Good Shepherd, St. James & St. Mary ~
Sixth Sunday of Easter— May 25, 2014

Parish Life This Week †

Monday, May 26
Offices Closed

Tuesday, May 27
8:30am Liturgy - Bob Steffes †

Wednesday, May 28
9:00am Centering Prayer
6:21pm 21 Group @ St. James
7:00pm Men’s Group

Thursday, May 29
7:00pm Cluster Mission 2015

Friday, May 30
8:30am Liturgy - Bernarda Boyboy †

Saturday, May 31
4:30pm Liturgy - Martha Manthey †
5:45pm Bread for the World

Sunday, Jun 1
8:30am Liturgy - For the Parish †
9:45am Bread for the World
11:00am Liturgy - James L. Brown †
12:15pm Bread for the World

Upcoming Events:
June 2 Pastoral Council
June 3 Grief Support Group
June 4 Centering Prayer
June 5 Ellacuria Committee
June 6 Word Without End
June 7 Word Without End

Our Mission Statement:
Good Shepherd is a Christian, caring community, nourished by a joyful spirit-filled liturgy that inspires our daily lives.
We strive to welcome, accept and love all people as they are, and through our ministries reach out with active concern to those in need.

6th Sunday of Easter

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.
And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world
cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him.
But you know him, because he remains with you,
and will be in you.”  Jn 14:15-17.

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A Recipe for Success

Sometimes we need to remember that, at the time of Christ, there was no Christian tradition  ·  for there were no Christians! When Christ gathered with his disciples at the Last Supper, they did so according to Jewish tradition as they observed the Passover meal.

When we gather at Mass, in order to follow the instruction of Christ to “do this in memory of me,” we use words and elements very similar to the words and elements used by Christ Himself. The words Jesus spoke make up the core of the Eucharistic Prayer. The elements Christ used were bread and wine.

It was, (and still is), Jewish tradition to observer Passover using unleavened bread. This is why the Catholic Church instructs that only unleavened bread be used for consecration. At Good Shepherd, it has been our tradition, similar to Jewish tradition at the time of Christ, to have members of the community bake the bread.

We recently had a series of events that caused a review of our tradition. The result was that the Archdiocese of Milwaukee confirmed that we may continue to use the physical form of bread. In order to honor the Passover tradition established by Christ, and out of respect for the permission affirmed by the archdiocese, our bread bakers will be making a minor modification to the recipe to assure we do in fact prepare unleavened bread.

Beginning with the return to Ordinary Time on the weekend of June 14/15, we will be consecrating and distributing Eucharist prepared with the new recipe. The appearance should be similar  –  the taste may not be the same.

As we make this transition, let us more consciously and fully enter into Eucharist  –  which is literally a thanksgiving.

Continued Easter blessings!
~ Deacon Sandy
Help us Welcome all People

Part of the mission statement for Good Shepherd reads, “We strive to welcome ...all people.”

One of the ways this is accomplished is with greeters at the main entrance before each funeral service at our parish. Presently we have a list of about 10 people who have been doing this for many years. We would like to add a few more names to this list. If this is something that you would be interested in doing and have an hour to spare once every few months please contact: Carol Weber at 262-670-0448 or Sister Joann at 262-255-2035.

Is the Spirit Calling You?

Are you feeling a spiritual ‘nudge’ to learn more about your faith? Would you like to explore the art of spiritual companionship? Is investing some of your time and energy in a course in Sacred Scripture or some other area of our faith something that’s calling to you now?

You might want to consider 1) signing up for a course or program with Cardinal Stritch University’s St. Clare Center in the Fall … or 2) participating in the Spiritual Mentoring Program offered through Casa Romero Renewal Center (gathering once a month starting in September.) And… if you are a Good Shepherd parishioner, there’s some financial support available for you with these great opportunities in faith formation.

Contact Jane Clare – ishiguroj@archmil.org 262 255 2035, ext. 30, for more information.

Summertime Team Sports at St. Mary’s

For 4th through 7th grade CF students.

Compete in your favorite sport this summer! Sign up now for the St. Mary’s Volleyball, Basketball and Track summer teams!

For more information, or to sign-up call St. Mary’s School @ 262.251.1050 or contact Bryan Ramsey in the CF office.

Opening Mass for the Synod

The opening Mass will be held at The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist 812 N. Jackson St., Milwaukee Friday, June 6, at 7 pm

This Mass will also celebrate the canonization of Blessed John XXIII and Blessed John Paul II.

BREAD for the WORLD

12th ANNUAL Offering of Letters

NATIONAL FOCUS: Reforming US Food Aid

The US is the world’s largest provider of life-saving food aid. It is time to update the government’s 1950’s practices to enable it to respond more flexibly and faster in a 21st century globalized world.

Congress has proposed reforms that would invest in local agriculture which would cut down on transportation costs and get food moved to where it is needed more quickly.

We have sent 80 to over 200 handwritten letters each year from Good Shepherd parishioners participating in Bread for the World. Please join us after Mass on Sat. May 31 and Sun. June 1

We will provide pens, paper, envelopes and sample letters. Tables will be set up in the hall and the south entrance and hospitality will be provided.

Join our Liturgical Ministers

The worshipping community welcomes new ministers in all areas of liturgical ministry, but needs communion ministers at the 4:30 and 11:00 Masses and acolytes.

Call S. Joann at 262-255-2035 ext.15 or e-mail, julkaj@archmil.org

Good Shepherd

This year’s Lenten Collection for Catholic Relief Services’ Operation Rice Bowl totaled $1,327! Thank you to all who participated. Your generosity is making a difference to many who are served by CRS. To stay in touch with CRS and the wonderful work they are doing globally, especially in areas of greatest need, go to www.crs.org

Saint Mary’s WARRIORS

For 4th through 7th grade CF students.

WEDNESDAYS 6:21-7:49pm

May 28th @ St. James, June 11th @ St. Mary’s, June 25th @ Good Shepherd

For more information contact Bryan Ramsey:
Call: 262-255-2035 or Email: ramseyb@archmil.org
Word Without End

Celebrating the end of the Easter Season

Word Without End, Good Shepherd’s annual daylong - 24 hour reading of Sacred Scripture will take place on Pentecost weekend - 24 hours: from 4 pm on Friday, June 6th until 4 pm on Saturday, June 7th – in the Mary of Magdala Chapel (south entrance.) Please join us again this year - either by signing up to read for a one-hour session (alternating with another reader) or simply come to listen- any time during the 24 hours - to the Word of God being read aloud. You can sign up now for Word Without End in either lobby.

For more information, please contact Chuck Murphy - cbmurph@sbcglobal.net.

Are you aware of these valuable ministers?

Did you know that each week a volunteer from our parish comes in to change the candles, wash the altar cloths, prepare the wine, clean up the candle holders and a few other helpful jobs? We are in need of 2 more people to join them. Each month you would be responsible for tending to these duties for our parish on just one day.

You can choose the day and time that works best for your schedule.

It just takes about 45 minutes. Please contact Margaret Jung if you would like to help with this important job; 262-251-6267

St. Ben’s Meal Program

Each month we deliver a meal to the St. Ben’s Meal Program in Milwaukee. We are in need of a driver to help deliver that food twice per year. We would ask you to arrive at Good Shepherd at 3:30 on a Wednesday, fill your car with food, drive it to St. Ben’s, stay and serve the food if you wish and then return the containers to Good Shepherd. We will gladly help you fill your car and go with you for your first time. This is a needed position to fill and a very rewarding one!

Please contact Corinna in the office if you are interested; 262-255-2035 or ramseyc@archmil.org

News from the Food Pantry:

Good Shepherd will be working the food pantry on Tues, July 15 and Thurs, July 17 from 11:45-2 pm and 4:45-7 pm. We need 6 volunteers per shift.

Call Monica Schultz at: 262-250-3489 or cell: 414-870-0826

Readings for the Week of May 25, 2014

Sun: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21
Mon: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a
Tues: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
Sat: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56


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Questions to Ponder - Sixth Sunday of Easter:

Adult: The Holy Spirit gives us inner wisdom and strength. When have you experienced this?

Child: The Holy Spirit makes you strong inside. When do you need to be strong?
**Immigration Corner**

(The SSND community in Douglas, Ariz., is offering a special discernment retreat for women (ages 20-40) June 23-30. The week will be an experience of living in community and practicing the art of discernment, using the reality of our international border in considering the life decision points one is facing. Registration is limited and due June 1.

Download the flyer at: [http://www.ssndcentralpacific.org/Pray/Retreat-Opportunities](http://www.ssndcentralpacific.org/Pray/Retreat-Opportunities) and contact Sister Lucy at 414-510-1998 for more details.)

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**Notes from Gay and Straight**

Everyone – the homosexual and the heterosexual person – is called to personal maturity and responsibility. With the help of God’s grace, everyone is called to practice the virtue of chastity in relationships. Chastity means integrating one’s thoughts, feelings, and actions, in the area of human sexuality in a way that values and respects one’s own dignity and that of others. From *The Truth and Meaning of Human Sexuality*, Pontifical Council for the Family, 1996.

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**Capuchins Run/Walk For The Hungry**

It is time to dust off your sneakers and get in shape. The Capuchins Run/Walk For The Hungry. The run/walk will take place on Friday, July 25th at 7pm at the Summerfest grounds. Our team had 22 great members last year. I would love to see all of you return and hope we can recruit a few new members.

As a team member you will enjoy free admission to German Fest for yourself and guests, as well as other valuable coupons and giveaways.

Please contact team captain, Cindy Larkin at ckolarkin@gmail.com for more information or register online at: [https://www.capuchinsrunwalkforthehungry.org/register.php?purl=team_good_shepherd](https://www.capuchinsrunwalkforthehungry.org/register.php?purl=team_good_shepherd)

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**Wheeling 4 Healing**

Mark your Calendar! August 9, 2014.

You may have been sent a card or e-mail message from the CMH foundation regarding the “Wheeling for Healing Family Bike Ride” for Community Memorial’s Cancer Care Center.

Yes, we plan to have a Good Shepherd team, so please do not register on-line. When I receive details, I will let you know. Thanks to all who have been part of the team these last several years.

~ S. Joann Julka

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**Flower Sale**

It’s not too late to support our youth. Thank you for supporting our work camp youth by purchasing flowers and gift certificates. If you forgot to pick up your flowers, contact Bryan or Corinna in the CF office. You still have the opportunity to support the youth by buying gift certificates for Shady Lane Greenhouses where you can do your spring and summer garden shopping.

Contact Corinna with orders; 262-255-2035; ramseyc@archmil.org

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**News from the Food Pantry:**

This year at the Menomonee Falls MS Walk...

We had 294 and we raised $27,794 for a great cause.

A big thank you for all who walked and all who donated!

Also, the Menomonee Falls Memorial Day Parade is going to be May 26th starting at 10am. Please remember to bring a donation of non-perishable food because volunteers will be walking the parade route collecting those items.

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The Spirit of truth is within you. You are not alone. Reflect on how God is calling you at this time in your life. (John 14: 15-21)