

Holy Week Schedule

Monday, March 26th:

7:00am Mass Saint Stanislaus

6:30-7:30pm Confessions at Good Shepherd in English

Tuesday, March 27th:

8:00am Mass at Good Shepherd

Wednesday, March 28th:

7:00am Mass at Saint Stanislaus

6:00-7:00 Confessions at Saint Stanislaus

6:00-7:00 Confessions at Good Shepherd in Portuguese and English

Holy Thursday, March 29th:

8:00-9:00am Confessions at Good Shepherd

7:00pm Mass at Saint Stanislaus

7:00pm Mass at Good Shepherd

Good Friday, March 30th:

8:00-9:00am Confessions at Saint Stanislaus

3:00pm Stations of the Cross at Saint Stanislaus

7:00pm Memorial of The Lord's Passion at Saint Stanislaus

7:00pm Memorial of The Lord's Passion at Good Shepherd

Holy Saturday, March 31st:

12:00pm Blessing of Food at Saint Stanislaus

7:00pm Easter Vigil at Saint Stanislaus

7:00pm Easter Vigil at Good Shepherd

Easter Sunday, April 1st:

6:45am Procession and Mass at Saint Stanislaus

10:00am Mass at Saint Stanislaus

8:15am; 10:00am; 11:30am Mass at Good Shepherd

From the Pastor

The Seven Deadly Sins:

Pride, part 2

When people are asked what is the opposite of pride, or what is the virtue that heals pride, they will usually say humility. There is real truth to that, but humility can sometimes be a sham, a pretense. I always think of the character Uriah Heep from Charles Dickens's *David Copperfield*. He is forever professing his and his mother's humility, but the other characters in the novel know that Uriah is, as we say nowadays, a creep. He is making a show of humility to get close to the beautiful Agnes and force her to marry him. The opposite of pride, really, is truth. When we know who we are, we cannot but be humble. We can and should take a healthy pride in what we accomplish, but we know that all our gifts are from God and the wisdom we show when we develop these gifts is the work of the Holy Spirit. Saint Paul asks the Corinthians, whom he knows to be spiritually proud, "What do you have that you have not received?" The answer is, "Not a thing." In his *Purgatorio*, Dante writes that the proud look down upon the rest of mankind with arrogant eyes, despising all they see. Their punishment is that they bear enormous rocks on their backs, so that they are totally bent over and can look only at the ground beneath their feet.



10:00am Mass Ad Orientem

Good Shepherd

Saint Stanislaus

GS

4/1

5/6

6/3

SS

4/8

5/13

Saint of the Week

30 March

Saint Irene of Rome

According to ancient tradition, sometime in the third century the Roman soldier Sebastian, having declared his Christian faith, was brought to a field on the orders of the commanding officer, shot full of arrows, and left for dead. The same accounts tell of a woman who came by night to recover the body of the slain soldier --- an act of great courage, since many Christians died for their part in attempting to reclaim the bodies of fallen martyrs. This woman, Irene, had extra reason to fear the retribution that might come if she was discovered, for she knew firsthand the sufferings of the martyrs, having lost her own husband to the Emperor's purges. But she went nonetheless. When Irene reached Sebastian's body, she discovered that he was still alive. She found a way to get him back to her home, where she gently removed the arrows and staunched his wounds. In time, Sebastian regained his strength and, Christ's true soldier that he was, once again publicly proclaimed his faith. This time he earned his martyr's crown. Sebastian and Irene were very frequently depicted in Christian art during the Middle Ages.

Saint Irene of Rome, pray for us!

Bible Study

There will be NO Bible Study in the Parish Hall on the 17th of March at 6:30pm

From the Pastor Cont..

Respect Life Ministry

“Respect for the human person proceeds by way of respect for the principle that ‘everyone should look upon his neighbor (without any exception) as “another self,” above all bearing in mind his life and the means necessary for living it with dignity.”

~Catechism of the Catholic Church (#1931)

Respect Life Prayer Intention:

May Christ give us the grace of loving self-sacrifice, as we cherish every person’s life.

40 Days For Life Pray Campaign ends this weekend on March 25.

Please join your prayers with those who are praying, fasting, and standing vigil at clinics around the country and around the world. Please visit www.usccb.org or 40daysforlife.com for more information. Sincere thanks to those who prayed at the clinic in Attleboro last weekend.

The next Respect Life Prayer Service will be Saturday, April 9, at 8:45am. All are invited!

Good Shepherd Parish Food Pantry

Donations of non-perishable food items are always welcome.

The food pantry is available to anyone in need on Thursday 10:00am -12:00pm or by appointment.

Junior Youth Group Schedule (ages 9-12)

5/6 11:00-12:30pm meeting

5/20 11:00-12:30pm meeting

Youth Group Schedule (ages 13+)

3/26 5:30-6:30pm adoration; 6:30-9:00pm movie night and meeting

3/29 7:00pm Mass at Good Shepherd followed by 7 churches then dinner (bring dinner money)

4/9 6:00-8:00pm meeting

4/23 5:30-6:30pm adoration; 6:30-9:00pm movie night and meeting

5/7 6:00-8:00pm meeting

5/21 5:30-6:30pm adoration; 6:30-9:00pm movie night and meeting

Movie Night with Father Leonard
Monday, March 26th 6:30pm
In the Parish hall.
“Son of God”

In the Holy Land, the Roman occupation has produced a cauldron of oppression, anxiety and excessive taxes levied upon the Jewish people. Fearing the wrath of Roman governor Pontius Pilate, Jewish high priest Caiaphas tries to keep control of his people. That control is threatened when Jesus arrives in Jerusalem, performing miracles and spreading messages of love and hope. Those who fear that Jesus will inspire a revolution decide that he must die.

Adoration before the movie from 5:30-6:30
All are welcome!

Service of Shadows, Wednesday, March 28, 2018, at 7:30pm: A special prayer service called Tenebrae which has its roots in monastic tradition is held each year on the Wednesday evening of Holy Week at the Cathedral of St. Mary in Fall River. This service of readings, psalms and hymns at which the sanctuary are gradually extinguished. Christians of all denominations and their ministers are especially invited to participate as a means of sharing in worship during these holy days when we are encouraged to join together to remember the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Please mark your calendars to experience the beauty of this special service and allow it to become an annual tradition during Holy Week.

Come and share your hopes and dreams for our Church! Bishop Edgar M. daCunha, S.D.V., is hosting a series of Listening Sessions at different parish locations as part of the strategic planning process here in the Fall River Diocese. Members of diocesan parishes are invited to attend one of them to offer their thoughts into that process. Listening Sessions are scheduled as follows: March 20, St. Mary's Parish, Norton; March 21, St. Anne Parish, Raynham; April 5, Christ the King Parish, Mashpee; April 12, St. Mary Cathedral; April 18, St. Joan of Arc Parish, Orleans; April 20, St. Julie Billiart Parish, Dartmouth; and April 23, Our Lady of Victory Parish, Centerville. All sessions will take place from 6:30-8:30pm with the exception of the final one in Centerville, which will begin at 7pm.

“Untie him and let him go.” Let the love of God free us from any fetters in our marriages by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are April 21-22, 2018 in Brewster, MA and May 19-20, 2018 in Warner, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O’Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.