

## From the Pastor

### *The Eighth Deadly Sin: part 1*

Our discussion of the seven deadly sins has ended. Lust, gluttony, greed, sloth, wrath, envy, and pride have been our study through the winter months, and this is appropriate, because they bring a wintry death to the soul who lets them in. I think, though, that they are incomplete. There is really an eighth deadly sin: gossip. It is important to add this one to our list because it is so common, so addictive, and deadly. It is deadly both to the soul that engages in it, and to the souls it damages or even ruins when it is directed against them. Gossip kills the soul of the gossipier and damages the good name of its victim.



**10:00am Mass Ad Orientem  
Good Shepherd  
Saint Stanislaus**

**GS**  
5/6  
6/3

**SS**  
4/8  
5/13

### *Saint of the Week*

**6 April Saint Peter of Verona**

Peter was born in Verona, Italy, to a Cathar mother and father. The Cathars believed that all spiritual beings and realities came from God the Father, but that all things in the material universe sprang from an evil lesser god. They sought a purely spiritual purity and taught that human sexuality was evil. In fact, they rejected everything to do with the human body. However, as a boy, Peter was sent to a Catholic school, where he learned that God was One, the Creator of all things, both material and spiritual, and that it was all good. When he met the Dominicans while studying at Bologna, he decided to join them. Saint Dominic himself clothed him in the habit. Peter immediately became a leader in the new Order. Thousands flocked to hear his open-air sermons. Eventually, he was given the charge of expunging heresy by the Pope himself. His zeal in preaching sprang from his upbringing. Peter knew well the lure of Catharism and its dangers. Yet he approached every person with love and the desire to win him or her for Christ. Peter was able to convert many Cathar leaders and died as a direct result of his preaching. He was travelling north of Milan when a Cathar assassin killed him with an axe blow to the head. He died reciting the Creed. In art, he is shown with an axe in his skull and tracing the words "I believe in One God" on the ground in his own blood. It was 6 April 1252. His murderer eventually repented and became a Dominican himself.

*Saint Peter of Verona, pray for us!*

### *Bible Study*

There will be NO Bible Study in the Parish Hall on the 31st of March at 6:30pm

## *From the Pastor Cont..*

### *Respect Life Ministry*

*“Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.”*

*~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2017-18 Respect Life Reflection,  
[www.usccb.org/be-not-afraid](http://www.usccb.org/be-not-afraid)*

#### ***Respect Life Prayer Intention:***

May the Risen Christ grant us joy as we follow Him, embracing God's gift of life.

**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+)**

3/29 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

#### **South End Neighborhood Association:**

The neighborhood meeting will be held on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Good Shepherd Parish hall. The guest speaker will be Jo-Anne Sbraga, Executive Director of the Children's Museum of Greater Fall River. She will present a brief overview of the current programs and outreach by the children's museum and discuss the next big endeavor which is an outer-space exhibit. An update on the King Phillip Mill will be presented by the developer, Robert Kfoury. A representative from the Police Department will give a monthly report on crime in the neighborhood. Light refreshments will be served. For further information, please call Alan Silvia at (774) 526-1122