

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church



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## MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Community of Good Shepherd strives to live Christ's word daily by our commitment to worship, stewardship, faith formation, Catholic schools, family, and social outreach.

**First Sunday of Advent  
November 27, 2011**

**"Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved!"**



*Pastor*  
**Rev. Zach Etienne**

*Other Clergy*  
**Deacon Cy Will**

*School Principal*  
**Mrs. Judy VanHoosier**

*Director of Worship*  
**Mr. Mark Schmitz**

*Director of Youth Ministry*  
**Mrs. Jonna O'Bryan**

*Parish Nurse*  
**Mrs. Kristi Wahl**

*Administrative Assistants*  
**Mrs. Pat Will**  
**Mrs. Jean Dollison**

*Accountant/Business Manager*  
**Mrs. Sarah Gahagen**

*Parish Council Members*  
Father Zach Etienne – 477-5405  
Judy VanHoosier – 476-4477  
Betty Betz – 602-5999  
Tom Bacurin — 455-1194  
Denise Lamberton — 867-5379  
Eric Lively – 925-6258  
Paula Logel – 476-8140  
Tim McGuire – 867-0637  
Jeff Mueller – 868-1074  
Janet Naas – 475-9007  
Chris Newkirk – 868-0797  
Tonya Puckett – 490-1669  
Tom Quick – 402-2452  
Karen Robertson – 491-0312  
Eric Schirmer – 204-9662  
Ken Smith – 483-1496

**MASS SCHEDULE:** Saturday - 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday – 7:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Home Communion Calls by Request  
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**MATRIMONY:** Call the Parish Office  
one year prior to the wedding.  
Guidelines must be read before scheduling  
a meeting with Father Zach.

**BAPTISM:** Contact Deacon Cy Will to  
Arrange Baptism Preparation Classes/Baptism  
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**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**  
Before surgery or anytime by request  
Communal Anointing scheduled during the year  
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**RECONCILIATION:** Tuesdays –4:30-5:15 p.m.,  
Thursdays & Fridays 7-7:30 a.m. or by appt.



**First Sunday of Advent  
November 27, 2011**

**SATURDAY – Nov 26th**

4:30 p.m. For the Parish

**SUNDAY – Nov 27th**

7:30 a.m. Steve Meth

10:30 a.m. Joseph C. Brown

**TUESDAY – Nov 29th**

5:30 p.m. Claire Sue Hertel

**WEDNESDAY – Nov 30th**

7:40 a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory

**THURSDAY – Dec 1st**

7:40 a.m. For the Parish

**FRIDAY – Dec 2nd**

7:40 a.m. Max Lingo, Sr.

**SATURDAY – Dec 3rd**

4:30 p.m. For the Parish

**SUNDAY – Dec 4th**

7:30 a.m. Don Schnepfer

10:30 a.m. Family in Peace and Thanksgiving

**STEWARDSHIP from November 19/20, 2011**

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|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Budget .....                   | \$16,430.00 |
| Weekly Collection.....         | 15896.96    |
| Electronic Fund Transfer ..... | \$510.00    |
| Envelopes/Cash .....           | \$15386.96  |
| Youth collection .....         | \$7.57      |

Total families that gave: 248

“Year to date” variance ( - \$15,293.61)

**Mass Attendance for Nov 19/20**

4:30 p.m. (317) 7:30 a.m. (265) 10:30 a.m. (499)

Total Mass attendance – 1081

51% of parishioners attended Mass at Good Shepherd

Total number of parish families – 763

Total number of parishioners – 2123

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

Please turn in your Christmas Flower envelopes no later than Friday, Dec. 16 so that the names of your loved ones can be included in the Christmas Day/ Sunday Bulletin.



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**HOLIDAY VOLUNTEER MINISTERS’ SCHEDULES** are on the table in the narthex. Please sign up as soon as possible.

New bingo schedules for 2012 available on the table in the narthex.

2012 Calendars are on the book stands in the narthex. Please take one per family.

December Ministers’ schedules are on the table in the narthex!

**Week of November 26-December 4**

**SUNDAY – November 26**

No RCIA -due to Holiday weekend

No Religious Education - due to Holiday weekend

Cluster Reconciliation Services - 3:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd

BINGO- Crew 1 (Matt Scheessele/Yvonne Wagner’s crew)

**MONDAY**

Zumba exercise (all levels) - 6:30 p.m. (Cafeteria)

**TUESDAY**

Quilting - 8:00 a.m. (Nursery)

Adoration & Reconciliation - 4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Benediction - Closing of Adoration - 5:15 p.m.

Mass - 5:30 p.m.

Bingo - Crew B (Jeff Pate’s crew)

**WEDNESDAY**

Exercise -8:30 a.m. (Parish Hall)

Zumba/Zumba Gold - (all levels/modified) 5:30 p.m. (Parish Hall)

Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m. (Church)

**THURSDAY**

K of C meeting - 6:00 p.m. (Cafeteria)

**Next SUNDAY – December 4**

RCIA - dismissed during 7:30 a.m. Mass (Rm. 100)

Religious Education - 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Scout Breakfast after both Masses

Cluster Reconciliation Services - 3:00 p.m. at St. Theresa

BINGO

**ADVENT SCHEDULE**

The Cluster Parishes will be hosting two Advent Reconciliation Services:

- This Sunday, Nov. 27, 3:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd
- Sunday, Dec. 4, 3:00 p.m. at St. Theresa

Please feel free to attend either of these opportunities



**THE WORD AMONG US-  
SPECIAL EDITION**

Copies of the Special Advent Edition of The Word Among Us Booklet are available on the book stands in the Narthex. These booklets provide opportunities for daily meditation helping to prepare our hearts and minds for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. We provide these at no charge! Please take one!!

**WHAT’S THE BIG DEAL?**

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH’S TEACHING ON CONTRA-CEPTION. Studies show the vast majority of Catholics do not follow the church’s teaching on contraception. Many may be unaware of the beauty of the teaching. All are invited to attend an hour long presentation on Catholic Church teaching of contraception and an introduction to Natural Family Planning with Dr. Bill Blanke on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011. The presentation will be in church following the 4:30 p.m. Mass. Please contact Dana Murrell at 812-760-7715 or [danamurrell@yahoo.com](mailto:danamurrell@yahoo.com) to RSVP or with questions.

**MEMORIAL & MATER DEI TRADITION LOTTERY**

It’s that time of year again, time to purchase your Memorial & Mater Dei tradition lottery tickets. There are 48 chances to win - first prize each month is \$10,000; second prize - \$1,500; third prize - \$1,000 and fourth prize - \$500. Forms to fill out to purchase the tickets on the desk in the narthex. Please contact Cindy Howard at 474-2943, x 300 if you have any questions.

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION - DEADLINE -  
DECEMBER 15, 2011**

For the current year for high school students, over \$270,000 in Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) tuition grants were awarded to Memorial High School families. The CEF is hoping to have in excess of \$450,000 to award to families for the 2012-2013 school year. It is very important though for families to realize that the deadline for submitting applications for the next school year has been moved up to December 15, 2011. In order to meet this deadline, tax information for 2011 will need to be estimated with a hard copy or electronic copy of your tax returns and W-2s will need to be submitted by March 15, 2012. Applications are available in the parish office or you may access them on line thru the Memorial website. For additional information, please contact the CEF office at 402-6700, ext. 302.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO OUR GOLDEN COUPLES**

(Married 50+ Years in November )

- Nov 8-** 53 years - Gary and Betty Wade
- Nov 24** - 56 years - Ron and Dorothy Joest
- Nov 30-** 65 years - John and Esther Medicis



**GSCS 6th grade service class needs YOUR help**

We are doing a clothing drive for the Evansville Christian Life Center. We are in need of clean, gently-used winter clothing (coats, sweats, gloves, scarves, hats, long-sleeved shirts, warm socks, etc.) especially kid sizes. Drop off items in the marked box by the school office now through Dec 12. Jesus loved children, and a simple way to follow in His footsteps is to participate in this simple service project. Thank you and God bless! -- 6th grade service class  
(Boxes are available in between the front doors of the church. Please place items there)

**ADVENT EVENING PRAYER AT THE CATHEDRAL**

Take some time this Advent to prepare for the celebration of Christmas with the evening prayer of the Church. Come to Saint Benedict Cathedral every Sunday in Advent (November 27, December 4, 11, and 18) at 5:30 pm CST for the celebration of Evening Prayer (vespers). Evening Prayer consists of the singing of psalms and canticles, the reading of Scripture, homily, and intercessions. This is a great opportunity for families, religious education groups, and anyone looking to give thanks to God this Advent season. If you have questions, please contact Matt Miller at the Catholic Center ([mmiller@evdio.org](mailto:mmiller@evdio.org) or 800-637-1731), or Jeremy Korba at Saint Benedict Cathedral ([jkorba@evdio.org](mailto:jkorba@evdio.org)).

**SCRIP FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON**

The Holiday season is fast approaching along with all the shopping and gift giving. Please plan ahead and order your scrip from Good Shepherd. You may go to [gsparish.org](http://gsparish.org) to print out the scrip form with the listing of all vendors we keep in stock. You may also go online to [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) for other vendors we can order for you. If you need more than \$200 in scrip from any one vendor listed on our form, it is best to order ahead. Any questions feel free to call the church office at 477-5405. Happy Shopping!!



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**Nov 27** - Tonya Buck, Stephanie Frasier, Catherine Groben, Devon Merimee, Meredith Stratman

**Nov 28** - Mike Belwood, Brenda Dorsey, Elizabeth Fallen, Laurie Hargis, Kenneth Loehr, Jennifer Martin, Rita Mattingly, Rebecca Moore, Mary Payne, Charles Simpson

**Nov 29** - Lisa Koch, Dustin Lehman, Tim McGuire, Emily O'Leary, Angie Rahman, leslie Riley

**Nov 30** - Joe Braker, Olivia Day, Jeannine Durchholz, Cooper Hamrick

**Dec 1** - Cindy Block, Cole Brinker, Emily Durchholz, Logan Puckett, Janelle Stratman, Mary Jane Williams

**Dec 2** - Jane Austin, Gloria Barclay, Devlyn Bowen, Rebecca Brown, Presley Elpers, Jim Fox, Jill Hurley, Timmie Lingo, Cleo Jr. Walker, Laci Winn, Frannie Witting

**Dec 3** - Jeffery Choate, Deon Rohner, Shankar Srinivasan, Jean Titzer



**YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS**



**GOOD SHEPHERD FUNDRAISER-** Time to pick up your orders! Cheese balls, pretzels and butter braids ready for pick up! If you missed the opportunity to pre order, we do have extra for sale.

You can purchase them after Mass on these designated week-ends!

**ADVENT ADVENTURE- DECEMBER 3** This is a special event to prepare us for this Advent season. Mary and Joseph trusted God on their journey; so you must trust as well. During this adventure, we ask you to participate instead of anticipate. Not "knowing" is a big part of this experience. We will meet at the Church for the 4:30 p.m. Mass and return at 9:00 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person and includes:



transportation, food, fun and entertainment. Adult help is a must to provide this opportunity. Parents may call Jonna to get the details in advance. Permission Slips are on the website.

**AROUND THE TOWN**

Boy Scout Troop 399 will begin their 57th annual Christmas Tree & Wreath Sale Friday, Nov. 25 at noon. They are located on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church. It is the largest tree lot in the area with over 1,000 trees available. The species of trees are Balsam, Frasier Fir, and Douglas Fir. Questions? Please call Roger Nurrenbern at 457-1051.

Eat, Pray, Learn- at Nativity Catholic Church/Cafeteria. On Wednesday Nov. 30, Mass will be held at 5:30 p.m. then a light supper is available with Fr. Noel Mueller OSB speaking on "The Greatest Gift." Please RSVP to 476-7186

Bring the family to the St. Nick Brunch on Dec. 4 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at St. Agnes Ryves Hall. Enjoy a breakfast of eggs, sausage links, all the biscuits and gravy you can eat, fruit, and a drink for only \$7 for adults and \$3 for children (kids under 3 are free.) Win an early Christmas present at the St. Nick Auction and let the kids buy gifts for the family at the Shop Stop. Take a chance on a beautiful Nativity Set. After breakfast there's a special guest expected too!