

"Good Shepherd Sunday"

**Entrance Antiphon:** "The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia." Cf. Ps 33(32): 5-6

**Communion Antiphon:** "The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for the sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia."

**Reflection for the Sunday:** On this Good Shepherd Sunday, the Gospel reading reveals Jesus Christ as the Good Shepherd who knows His sheep intimately and is willing to sacrifice everything for their well-being. Unlike a hired hand, Jesus stands firm, ready to lay down His life out of boundless love. His voluntary sacrifice underscores His unique role in God's plan. In the first reading, Peter's powerful testimony emphasizes Jesus as the cornerstone of our faith and salvation. The second reading highlights our identity as God's beloved children, called to live out this truth and invite others into the fold. These readings challenge us to deeper faith and commitment, becoming beacons of hope and salvation in a world that often misses recognizing Jesus' love and sacrifice. (Courtesy: <https://young-catholics.com/>)

"Confirmation Day"

Dear Parishioners,

We are delighted to announce that Bishop LaValley will be administering the Sacrament of Confirmation to our Candidates on May 5th, 2024, during the 11am Mass at St. Edmund's Church in Ellensburg Center. This is a significant milestone in the spiritual journey of our Confirmandi, and we invite you all to join us in celebrating this joyous occasion.

Following the Confirmation Mass, we will be hosting a reception at the Church Hall. There will be a variety of delicious food including hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, cake, and refreshments available for all to enjoy. It will be a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community and extend our congratulations to the newly confirmed members of our parish.

We warmly welcome all parishioners, families, and friends to join us for the Mass and the reception as we celebrate this special day. Your presence and support mean a great deal to our Confirmandi as they embark on this next chapter of their faith journey.

Let us come together in prayer and celebration as we witness the confirmation of our candidates. May God's blessings be upon them now and always. All are welcome!

**Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Tojo Chacko**

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** On Good Shepherd Sunday, April 21, 2024, the Church celebrates the 61st Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of this Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Pope Francis offered the following summary of our Christian vocation in his message for the Vocations Day of Prayer by saying "Our life finds fulfillment when we discover who we are, what our gifts are, where we can make them bear fruit, and what path we can follow in order to become signs and instruments of love, generous acceptance, beauty, and peace, wherever we find ourselves." Please Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call. We are especially grateful for our Bishop Terry LaValley, priests, deacons and consecrated men and women who are serving in the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

**SUMMER CAMP GUGGENHEIM REGISTRATION:** Don't Wait - Sign Up Today! Pick your week and sign up today for Summer Camp Guggenheim! THE BEST WEEK OF SUMMER! Returning and new campers are always welcome! Bring a friend. Registration Deadline: June 1st. Go to [rcdony.org/youth/camp](http://rcdony.org/youth/camp) today! Questions: contact the Youth Office at (315) 393-2920

**The Altar Rosary** will not have a meeting in April. The next meeting will be by May 6 @6:30pm at Parish Center.

**MATER DEI COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS:** The Mater Dei College Foundation is pleased to offer a scholarship opportunity to Catholics who are currently in their senior year of high school and who currently reside in the Diocese of Ogdensburg and are planning to attend a Catholic college or university in the fall. To request an application form, please email Valerie Mathews, Mater Dei Foundation Scholarship Chair at [vmathews@rcdony.org](mailto:vmathews@rcdony.org). Application deadline is June 1, 2024.

Mass & Envelope Schedule

Saturday 4/27	Sunday 4/28
4:00pm (SB) (L) Mona Siskavich (EM) Mona Siskavich (EM) Karen Oehler	8:00am (SE) (L) Ronald Tomo (EM) Deryl Gregory (EM) Sharlene Stanley
6:00pm (SE) (L) Judy Bombard (EM) Delbert Hart (EM) Gale Tourville	10:30am (SB) (L) Mike Chase (EM) Mike Chase (EM) Bonny Relation
<b>Counters (Week 4)</b>	Sherryl McCreless Nancy Miller
April 20-21	April 27-28
Regular Collection Maintenance Collection	Regular Collection

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**CDA #1548 Court Our Lady Of Snows** will have a meeting on **April 23rd @ 6pm** in the Rectory.

**Pray for the Sick:** Trevor Blondo, Betty Gregory, Shirley Guerin, Sally Shusda, June Dufrane, Baby Walter, Claireta Cram, Frieda Whitfield, Bill LePage, Barbara McDonald  
(If you want to add any names to pray for Please call the office.)

**Offertory Collections for Weekend of 4/14/24**  
Regular Collection: \$4,385.00  
Fuel Collection: \$ 233.00  
*Thank You*

Schedule of Holy Mass & Devotions

"Fourth Sunday of Easter: Good Shepherd Sunday"

Saturday, April 20th, 2024

4: 00pm (SB) Bernard Grogan by Paul & Linda Seymore

6: 00pm (SE) Mona LaBombard by Shar & Jessy Stanley

Sunday, April 21st, 2024

8:00am (SE) For the People of the Parish

10:30am (SB) Joe Varin (Birthday) by Family

Monday, April 22nd, 2024: (Followed by Adoration)

5:30pm (SE) Nichole King Miller by Sandra King

Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024:

9: 00am (SB) Todd Golovach by Anita Golovach

Wednesday, April 24th, 2024:

No Mass

Thursday, April 25th, 2024:

9: 00am (SE) Greg LaBarre by Martin & Betty Gregory

Friday, April 26th, 2024:

9: 00am (SB) Rita & Farley Chase by Patti & Jim Golovach

Next Weekend

"Fifth Sunday of Easter"

Saturday, April 27th, 2024

4: 00pm (SB) Theresa Wilson by Mary & Richard Seymour

6: 00pm (SE) Eunice Silver by Family

Sunday, April 28th, 2024

8:00am (SE) Betty Morrow by CDA#1300

10:30am (SB) Bernard Grogan by K of C #7215

*In addition to mass dedications, sanctuary candles which remain lit on the altar for a full week can be dedicated for your prayer intentions.*

SANCTUARY CANDLE

(Week of April 21, 2023)

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## Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday	Sunday
4:00pm (SB) 6:00pm (SE)	8:00am (SE) 10:30am (SB)

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**Office Hours:**  
Monday, Tuesday,  
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**"Good Shepherd Sunday"**  
"Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd. You know each of us and call us by name. Help us to respond generously to your voice by opening our hearts to discern your holy will. We pray especially for those whom you are calling to serve the church as priests, deacons, sisters, and brothers. Give courage and guidance to all, so that we may respond to your call and serve you devoutly".