

# The Catholic Community of The Good Shepherd on Martha's Vineyard

Our Lady Star of the Sea-OB St. Elizabeth's- EDG St. Augustine's -VH  
A Parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Fall River  
Most Rev. George Coleman, Bishop

## November 14/15, 2009 - Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

### Weekend Mass Times

Our Lady Star of the Sea  
Saturday 4pm and (7pm-Portuguese)  
Sunday 8am, 11am and 5pm

Daily Mass 8am Monday thru Thursday Parish Center Chapel  
1st Friday and 1st Saturday 8am PC Chapel

Reconciliation: Saturday 3pm-Our Lady Star of the Sea  
or by appointment with Fr. Nagle 508-878-0331

**New Webpage: [goodshepherdmv.com](http://goodshepherdmv.com)**

### ADDRESSES

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church  
22 Massasoit Ave, Oak Bluffs  
(Open year round for Weekend Masses only)  
St. Augustine's Church: 56 Franklin Street, Vineyard Haven  
(Chapel open 24/7-no heat in winter)  
St. Elizabeth's Church: 86 Main Street, Edgartown  
(Church open 24/7-no heat in winter)  
Rectory: 86 Main Street, Edgartown  
Parish Office: 55 School Street, Oak Bluffs  
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### Parish Office Hours

Mon, Tue, Wed & Friday (10am to 1pm)

### PHONE NUMBERS

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Submit Bulletin Information to  
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**Deadline is Friday Night 5pm for the following weekend**

### PARISH STAFF

Martha Rheaume,  
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd  
Beth Mello, Parish Secretary  
Bernice Lopes, Office Assistant

### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission: Knowing that all things in this world are gifts of God, presented to us so that we can know God more easily and make a return of love more readily; recognizing God as the Origin of Life, the giver of freedom and the source of all that we have and are and will be; knowing ourselves to be recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts; grateful for all that we have received; eager to cultivate our gifts out of love for God and one another. The Mission of the Good Shepherd Parish is to give witness and to celebrate the Risen Christ's Presence in the life of each person.

To accomplish this goal we ask our parishioners and visitors to recommit themselves to being disciples of Jesus and in so doing we will strengthen our community and help one another to live our faith in the fullest possible way.

**"in necessary things, unity; in doubtful things, freedom; and in all things, charity." Augustine**

### PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

God, our Father, bless our Parish of the Good Shepherd. Help us to welcome all who come to worship, adore and praise You, the One true God and Father of us all. Jesus, be with us, as we celebrate your life, death and resurrection in Word and Sacrament. Holy Spirit, fill our parish family with your love. Help us to love one another in our parish and in our family. Guide us in your holy will for the present and the future of our Parish of the Good Shepherd. AMEN.

# Mass Intentions

## Our Lady Star of the Sea Church

Sat Nov 14	4pm	Daniel McCarthy Pegi & Bill Nicholson
Sun Nov 15	8am 11am 5pm	Vincent Finneran-2nd Ann. Joanne Coutinho Alexander Buder-8th Ann.
Sat Nov 21	4pm	William Norton
Sun Nov 22	8am 11am 5pm	Dowley & Kirwan Families Wilfred Lawrence Florence B. Coaplen

## Daily Mass Intentions (Monday-Thursday)

### 8am Parish Center Chapel

Mon	Nov	16	Rupert Billingham
Tue	Nov	17	Audria B. Tankard
Wed	Nov	18	Wilson Thomas, Jr.
Thu	Nov	19	Irene Valenti-Month's Mind

The Sanctuary Light is burning in  
Loving Memory of  
John E. Santos  
Our Lady Star of the Sea (Nov 15-21)

## **Special Diocesan Collection (Nov 21/22)**

### Campaign For Human Development

For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD funds community projects led by low-income individuals. As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis, CCHD needs your support in next week's Collection more than ever. Thank you for your generosity

## **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3**

Daniel discusses the end of the world, a time when the dead shall rise and everyone will be judged. He warns that some shall "be an everlasting horror and disgrace." But he promises that some will live forever, and the wise will shine brightly to lead others to justice.

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18**

Priests repeatedly offered sacrifices that were unable to take away sin. But through Jesus' one sacrifice, our sins were forgiven, leaving no need for other offerings.

### **Gospel: Mark 13:24-32**

Jesus told his disciples that many signs would be seen before the end of the world. He explained that the earth would pass away but his words would not. He also told them that neither the angels nor himself, but only his Father knew when this would take place.

### **Daily Readings For the Week:**

Monday 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57,  
62-63; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31;  
Lk 19: 11-28

Thursday 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

Friday 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59;  
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

### **Daily Prayer This Week**

We can easily spend this week asking for the grace to use the gifts we've been given. We want to recognize that we have gifts, and that they are, in fact, gifts. We didn't "earn" them; we were entrusted with them. We can reflect upon the potential each gift has and how we might develop and use each gift we have more completely - in loving, in making a difference on behalf of the poor in the world.

**Comunidade Católica Brasileira Martha's Vineyard**

Trigéssimo Terceiro Domingo do Tempo Comum

O ano litúrgico é formado por Advento (cor roxa ou azul), Natal (cor branca), Quaresma (cor roxa) Páscoa (cor branca), Pentecostes (cor vermelha) e Tempo Comum (cor verde). O Tempo Comum é formado por trinta e quatro semanas. Nós estamos na trigéssima terceira semana do tempo comum, estamos na penúltima semana que nos prepara para concluir o tempo com uma grande festa - domingo em homenagem e celebração a Cristo Rei do Universo. O calendário litúrgico católico é uma sequência cíclica, talvez muito parecido com a nossa vida que nos surpreende com experiências que temos no decorrer da caminhada. Quando pensamos que é o fim: grande engano! não é o fim, mas um começo de uma nova realidade ou outra situação. Olhando a dinâmica da vida de “começar e terminar”, podemos verificar/avaliar os acontecimentos de uma maneira mais otimista e concluir que o que parece ser o trágico, dramático, absurdo e horroroso, no fim de tudo, não passou de apenas mais uma experiência na história do livro de nossas vidas, e como história para contar aos outros, essas experiências fazem parte de nossa maturidade seja ela humana ou espiritual. Tudo nesta realidade é passageira, TUDO MESMO! O que você considera absurdo, longo e difícil de acreditar na realidade do fim, ou quando um sonho parece quase que impossível de se realizar devido ao longo processo que se tem de percorrer com tantos obstáculos que muitas vezes desanimam, ACREDITE! Tudo é passageiro e dinâmico, e um dia você “chega”, “conclui” ou termina a sua “jornada”. Ser cristão é observar esta realidade da vida com fé, otimismo e esperança, não existe sofrimento longo que não tenha fim, ou até mesmo felicidade que não precisa de passar por alguns conflitos para enriquecer o momento; Ou um sonho que pode demorar algum tempo para começar ver os horizontes de possibilidade de realização no dia-a-dia de nossa existência! Um bom católico, como qualquer um de nós somos chamados a ser e dar testemunho, não podemos ficar abalar com os ciclos da vida: altos e baixos, quedas e reequilíbrios, alegrias e tristezas, pessoas que vão e vem, situações agradáveis ou não; TUDO no olhar da Fé em Deus se torna oportunidade para se fortalecer, aprender e testemunhar as experiências com as pessoas que Deus coloca em nossos caminhos. Acredite que tudo está caminhando para o melhor! Que Deus está a frente de nossas iniciativas e sua providência está preparando o início de novas e inesquecíveis histórias para vivermos e contarmos uns aos outros. Seja um bom Cristão, um bom católico, e acredite sempre com um pensamento positivo, na certeza que o melhor está para a contecer. E verificar que o parece longo, interminável ou necessita de um pouco de paciência para se concretizar, se torna mais leve, suportável e possível. Não podemos desistir jamais e aprender a driblar com “jeitinho brasileiro” as adversidades e acontecimentos que ocorrem em nossa caminhada! ACREDITE EM DEUS:ELE ESTÁ NO COMANDO DA SUA VIDA!

Padre Messias e Comunidade! Missas: Sabado-7pm

**Retreat For Men:** A retreat for men will be held at Glastonbury Abbey, Hingham, on the weekend of December 4-6. Father Timothy Joyce, OSB, STL will lead prayer, talks, and discussions on a man's spiritual journey. To sign up for the weekend phone the Retreat Secretary on weekdays, 781-749-2155, ext. 200.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter:** “But of that day or hour, no one knows”. Today's Gospel challenges us to be prepared. None of us knows our last day, so don't wait - take time now with your spouse. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are Dec 4-6 and Jan 8-10. For more info call 1-800-710-WWME or visit [www.wwmeMA.org](http://www.wwmeMA.org)

**Retreat Day for Parish Ministers:** Lectors, RCIA Teams, Eucharistic Ministers, Hospitality, Bereavement/Caregivers, Youth Ministers, Ministers of Music, Pastoral Associates, DRE/CRE/Catechists. A Retreat Day Directed by: Fr. Stanley J. Kolasa, SS.CC. Director of the Sacred Heart Retreat Center on Saturday, November 28 at Cathedral Camp, 9am-2pm. If interested you must register by Nov. 18 to the Office of Faith Formation. Forms are available at the Parish Office.



**The Good Shepherd Parish  
Religious Gift Shop  
is located at the Parish Center  
55 School Street, Oak Bluffs**

*Items for sale include: rosaries, jewelry, plaques, cards, books, advent calendars, nativity sets, baptism gifts, crucifixes and lots more.*

**“Curious Corner”:**

**Questions, concerns, what you have heard on the street - Insert in the Curious Corner Box - Answers will be forthcoming.**

**Consecration of The Parish to Mary:** In 2004 when we were three separate parishes, we consecrated them to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We would like to consecrate our one new parish, Good Shepherd to Mary and Jesus. You may join in the process by praying for the parish and joining in the Consecration on December 8 the feast of the Immaculate Conception. You may also follow the prayers in the book "Consecration to Mary" by Fr. Helmut Libietis - this book is available on amazon.com.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Our next gathering is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 7pm at the Parish Center. *Loving God, we give you thanks for the gift of our hands. Give us grace to see our hands as you see them. As instruments of grace and life. May the knitting of our hands be the knitting of your heart. Use our hands, O God, to carry out your works of mercy and love. May the shawls our hands create bring blessing to those they wrap and healing to those upon whom they rest.* Our brochures and nomination forms are in the back of the church.

**Parish Registration Forms:** Good Shepherd Parish is in the process of setting up a brand new data base (Parish Soft). We are asking that you fill out a registration form (*one form per person in family*) and get it back to the office as soon as possible. Forms are available at church or at the office.

**Many Hands Makes Light Work:** Please call Beth at the office if you can come and help put our theme baskets together for the Holiday Happening on Friday, November 20 and/or Friday, December 4 at 7pm at the Parish Center. **Deadline for all items being donated is Wednesday, December 2nd. Please drop off items at the Parish Center during office hours. Event Date is Sunday, December 13th (1pm to 4pm).**

**November is National Adoption Month:** In order to help spread the positive message of creating families through adoption, Catholic Social Services of Fall River, Inc. will hold an information session for individuals and families interested in domestic newborn or international adoption. This session will be held on Sunday, November 22, 2009 from 1:00-3:00pm at the Catholic Social Services Office, 1600 Bay St., Fall River, MA. Please call Catholic Social Services at 508-674-4681 for information and directions. Handouts and refreshments will be available. There is no charge for this session.

**In The Example of Jesus:** In the early ministry of Jesus ... his teaching and preaching were not done in isolation but were accompanied by frequent manifestations of his healing power. Members of the church follow the example of Jesus, therefore, when they carry out the work of healing - not only by providing care for the physically ill, but also by working to restore health and wholeness in all facets of the human person and the human community...**Support health care reform that respects the life and dignity of all people from conception to natural death. Get the long-standing teachings of the Church and the latest updates on health care reform-visit [www.usccb.org/healthcare](http://www.usccb.org/healthcare)** The United States Council of Catholic Bishops is asking all parishioners to express their pro-life values to elected senators and congress people in Washington DC. The Catholic bishops are asking that abortion should not be in the health care reform. **Next week a letter from the USCCB will be at the back of the church with information on how to take action.**

**Join the Good Shepherd Parish on Thanksgiving Day**



- Mass will be at St. Augustine's Church at 8am on Thursday, November 26.
- Breakfast will be served immediately following the Mass downstairs in the Hall (8:30 - 11am)
- Thanksgiving Potluck Lunch Celebration - All are invited to participate. The Celebration will take place in St. Augustine's Hall on Thursday, November 26. Lunch is served from noon to 2:00pm. Afterwards we will have some interesting games and amusements. If you would like to attend the Potluck Lunch, please call Deacon Karl at 508-693-3333 to register your potluck entrée or dessert. Please come and bring your family!

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**This year's Marian Medal will be presented to Jill LaPiana**

We honor Jill for her time, treasure and talent offered in abundance to our Good Shepherd Parish. Each year the pastor of every Parish in the Diocese nominates a recipient for the Marian Medal. The medal is awarded in recognition for outstanding devotion and service to a parish. Bishop Coleman will present the Marian Medals at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Fall River, on Sunday, November 22, 2009 at 3pm.



**Materials Making:** Parents, Parishioners and Friends of CGS are invited to help with materials making on Wednesdays, 9am-12Noon and 7-9pm \* downstairs in the workroom at the Parish Center. Sanding, laminating, painting, cutting, something for all.

*\*(no 7-9pm materials making on the third Wednesday of each month as this is when the Prayer Shawl Ministry meets)*

**No Atrium Tues., Nov. 24, Weds., Nov. 25, and Sun. Nov. 29th - Thanksgiving Break**

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**PARISH LIFE**

**Baptism Preparation Classes** Are you expecting a baby this year? Call the office to sign up for our Baptism Prep classes which consist of 3 consecutive one-hour discussions based on the book "Raising Faith-filled Children". Book and workbook are available at the Parish Center.

**Baptismal Garments:** Please lend your sewing hands to prepare simple Baptismal Garments. You can pick up a kit at church and return it to the church or the parish center office when you've completed sewing the two garments. Thank you for helping out! Any questions, call Doris Mercier 508-627-8604

**Adult Catechism Class** Every Monday at 6:00pm at the Parish Center conducted by Deacon Karl Buder.

**Wednesday Morning Book Group** Meets every Wednesday from 10:15am to 11:15 am at the Parish Center. **New Book: Henri Nouwen's HERE AND NOW: Living In The Spirit-** Anyone interested in joining call Diane Emin at (508) 693-3698. You are welcome to join at anytime as the books are read and discussed at each gathering.

**Fall Bible Program:** Fall Bible Program is studying the *Book of James: Pearls for Wise Living* by Jeff Cavins They meet on Tuesdays at 9am in the Parish Center.

**ADVENT PROGRAM ("Advent: Waiting in Expectation")**

**Monday, December 7 at 7pm - Good Shepherd Parish Center**  
**Speaker: Marjorie Milanese, Spiritual Director & Retreat Leader**  
**Social with Refreshments Afterwards**

**SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism and Marriage**

Please call the Parish Center Office to arrange. **Marriages are arranged at least 8 months in advance**

**Reconciliation**

**Saturdays Before Mass at 3pm-Our Lady Star of the Sea** or by appt. with Fr. Nagle.

**Anointing of the Sick**

Call Fr. Nagle if you, or a member of your family wishes to receive this sacrament in your home, at the hospital or nursing home

**Marriage Preparation**

In the Diocese of Fall River, Marriage Preparation includes 1) an initial meeting with the priest who is preparing you for Marriage, 2) the FOCCUS profile, 3) Pre-Cana and Natural Family Planning Classes (these are off island), 4) the FOCCUS evaluation, 5) Planning the Liturgy meeting, 6) Rehearsal and 7) Your Wedding. Since the Island is a very popular place for weddings, we need to schedule a date at least a year in advance to avoid being disappointed and then begin the preparation process 8 months in advance. Please contact Parish Office 508-693-0342

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**Sacred Heart Cemetery:** Please call the Parish office or contact our Cemetery Commissioners Deacon Fred Lapiana 774-563-0362 or Allan "Buddy" DeBettencourt 508-693-2283

**Hospital Admission:** If you wish to receive a pastoral visit while at the hospital, it is up to you as a patient or family member to contact the Parish and Father Nagle.

## Stewardship Report: Our Gift of Time~Talent~Treasure

	October 09	October 08	October 07	YTD 09	YTD 08	YTD 07
Income	37,043.50	37,399.69	42,397.70	515,840.02	489,228.68	492,484.63
Expense	58,496.29	60,415.55	45,986.77	575,149.71	686,580.64	456,445.81
Net Ordinary Income	-21,452.79	-23,015.86	-3,589.07	-59,309.69	-197,351.96	36,038.82
Interest/Savings	50,827.31	50,566.06	46,968.16	101,709.79	99,116.74	92,602.61
Rainy Day Fund	-5,000.00			10,000.00		
Net Income	24,374.52	27,550.20	43,379.09	52,400.10	-98,235.22	128,641.43

### October Highlights

Our weekly offering envelopes were down 5% from last year. Total income was almost identical to last year. Thanks to each of you for continuing your support of our Parish during these times.

Our expenses were affected by one time events at the Parish Center and the OB Rectory that totaled \$20,000 +/-.

- Parish Center - cupola and room vents were winterized.
- OB Rectory - carrying stick and floor joists were replaced and cement floor reconstructed with lally columns replaced where necessary.

Our Net Ordinary Income was -\$21,452, which leaves us -\$59,309 YTD.

### **PRAYER GROUPS OF GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH**

\*The Grace of God Charismatic Prayer Group prays on Wednesdays at 10am Parish Center Chapel beginning Oct.

\*The Novena to Our Lady of Fatima - prayed on Wednesdays at 3pm at Parish Center Chapel

\*The Morning Cenacle is prayed on Saturdays at 7:30am Parish Center Chapel

\*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament –First Friday of the month 8:30am - 6pm in Parish Chapel

\*Holy Rosary before and/or after Daily Mass

\*Scripture Reflection Group (Bilingual – Portuguese/English) Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm at parishioner's homes  
(Call Valerio Destefani at 508-250-3233 or Deacon Karl at 508-693-3333 for location this week.)

*Grupo de Reflexão – quarta-feira, sete horas, nos lares*

\*Charismatic Prayer Group (Portuguese) Every Monday at 7:00 pm Parish Center Chapel

*Grupo de Oração, Carismático (portugues) segunda-feira, sete horas na capela do centro paroquial*

\*Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction (Portuguese) on the third Wednesday of each month at 7pm Parish Center Chapel  
*Adoracao e Bencao do Santissimo Sacramento, toda terceira quarta-feira de cada mes, sete horas na capela do cenro paroquial*

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Liturgy of the Hours -Deacon Karl Buder will give private instruction on the Church's official daily prayers, using the Book of Christian Prayer. Call 508-693-3333.