

Collection October 27 & 28	Collections Required Per Week	Weekly Collection + / -	Year to Date Collections + / -
\$ 3,599.25	\$ 3,860.00	- \$ 260.75	- \$ 12,538.75

Sharing God's Gifts

2018 Target Amount	Collected As of October 28	Year to Date + / -
\$ 19,210.00	\$ 15,114.50	- \$ 4,095.50



*Walking Together
In God's Embrace*

*Walking with Christ is a spiritual
journey fed by prayer, scripture
reading and the Eucharist.*



**An Evening of Hope and Light
Good Shepherd Parish**

Many people are struggling with what's happening in the Catholic Church globally. The Ministry of Hope invites you to an evening of sharing & discussion with facilitator, Helena Fitzgerald, titled "Finding Hope in Challenging Times for the Church". Please bring your concerns and thoughts, and join us for a time of sharing and fellowship on **November 15th at 7:00 p.m.** in our parish hall. Everyone is most welcome!

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM (CLP) - Couples for Christ (CFC) community is a movement with a goal to renew and strengthen Christian family values. CFC will conduct CLP on **Nov 18, 25 and Dec 2**, at 1:30 pm at Good Shepherd Parish. The program is open all adult individuals - single, couples, married, separated, divorced, widowed/widower. Let's journey together and rekindle the gifts God has given us. Come and be blessed! For more information, please contact the parish office at (204) 857-5172 or Bro Kris (204) 872-0246."

PRAIRIE WELCOME HOUSE - is in need of the following supplies: ICED TEA, SUGAR, COFFEE WHITENER, TOILET PAPER, and PAPER TOWELS, SNACK CRACKERS/BRETON. Items can be placed in the bin on the way to the hall. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by all our guests. Michel and Joe



BUILDING CONSTRUCTION - As the construction has begun for the parish offices and meeting spaces, we trust in your patience throughout the duration of the project and any inconveniences we may face. Please take note that the fences have been installed for our safety and protection. Let us pray for the success of this project and the benefits it will provide our parish and community.

*Kindness is like snow,
It beautifies everything it covers.
No snowflake ever falls in the wrong place.*



SHARING GOD'S GIFTS - will be the second collection on **November 3 & 4**

NOVEMBER

- 4 Children's Liturgy - during Mass
- 7 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm
- 8 **Douglas Campbell Lodge Mass** 2:00 pm
Note - date change
- 10 El Shaddai 3:00 pm
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 11 Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes Due
- 13 Lion's Prairie Manor Mass 2:00 pm
- 13 Catholic Women's League Meeting after Mass
- 15 Ministry of Hope 7:00 pm



All are welcome to come to the parish hall after Sunday Mass to enjoy a cup of coffee, the fellowship of other parishioners and a visit.



We Joyfully Welcomed Into The Family Of God **Faith & Hope Straight** who were baptized in our parish community on Saturday, October 28th. May God grant them, their parents, family and godparents many blessings!

"Think of the love that God has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's own children; and that is what we are." —1 John 3:1



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS -

Our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Anita Ducharme. Please remember her in your prayers. May she rest in the peace of Christ.



THANK YOU - to everyone who sold and bought tickets for our Thanksgiving Meal Draw.



WORD AMONG US REFLECTION

BOOKLETS - for the month of **November** booklets are available in the gathering area. If you choose to pick up a booklet for yourself, the cost of these books are \$2.50 each. Please give as it help to cover our costs.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION - With the anticipation of Advent around the corner, **we will be offering weekly sessions, starting Wednesday, November 21st at 1:00 pm at Good Shepherd Parish.** Please note that people are not always free to attend the weekly sessions, therefore you do not need to commit to being at every session. Each person will have the opportunity to speak as they are comfortable to participate. All are welcome.



LITURGY MINISTRIES WORKSHOPS - There will be training workshops following the masses on **Saturday, November 17th and November 18th.** Please sign up for one of the following ministries...communion minister, lector/reader, hospitality (greeters, ushers-collection and gift bearers). In addition to these ministries, I would like to meet with the sacristans for each mass.

Please note that these meeting times will immediately follow the mass. For those who are participating in the Christian Life Program please note that it is scheduled on Sunday afternoon following coffee.



CONFIRMATION 2019 - Please note that we will be having confirmation in the spring of 2019 for those youth that will be turning 14 by summer 2019. If you have someone in your family or know of someone who falls in this category, please pick up a registration form from Stan Lambert after mass or from the counter on the way to the hall. You can also email Stan at prairielamberts@gmail.com and he will send one to you. Also note that one of the requirements of Confirmation is to perform 10 hours of community service within the church. This would include helping with church functions, catechism classes, youth group, music ministry or any other ministries within the church. The sooner we have all those interested in Confirmation then we can setup a meeting to discuss class dates & times.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (SHOE BOXES) - Once again we have been asked to help out with this program. We have been very generous in the past and donation of shoe boxes is usually around 65 from our parish each year. The Catechism classes will be organizing the collection of the shoe boxes. **There are boxes and information pamphlets in the greeting area for you to pick up.** Please ensure that you read what is

acceptable for donations. They request a donation of \$10.00 per box to cover the shipping of the box overseas. Shoe boxes will be collected each week but are due by **November 11th** after mass. If you have any questions please contact Stan.

The 2018 National Collection Week is Nov. 12-18.

- Shoebox gifts can also be packed online at PackaBox.ca,
- 615,120 gift-filled shoeboxes were collected in Canada in 2017.
- Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts are also collected in Australia, New Zealand, Germany, Austria, Finland, Spain, the United Kingdom, Japan, and the United States.
- Shoebox gifts are distributed in more than 100 countries, on six continents (all but Antarctica).
- In 2017, almost 11 million gift-filled shoeboxes were collected worldwide.
- Since 1993, more than 157 million shoeboxes have been collected and distributed around the world.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION - As Christian stewards we are called to devote a regular portion of our time to God in prayer. Perhaps we find it intimidating to find the right words when approaching our perfect and all-holy God. The Gospel shows us we need to have our "act together" before we can spend time with Him in prayer. In this passage from Mark, we see that Bartimaeus received a powerful answer to prayer at a very low point in his life. There, he sat, begging at the side of the road in a very undignified manner. His posture wasn't exactly reverent, and his prayer wasn't eloquent, just a desperate, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." But it was a sincere cry from his heart. And Jesus, though surrounded by a sizable crowd, heard it, and called for Bartimaeus to come to Him. Folks from the crowd called to Bartimaeus, "Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you." And right there on the spot, Bartimaeus experienced a profound moment of personal encounter with our Lord and the healing of his vision he desired. How simple it is to encounter Jesus! All we must do is reach out to Him in prayer and we can be assured that He will hear us and call us to Himself. So let's all take courage this week knowing that Jesus is calling us right now to spend time with Him just as we are, in all our weakness and brokenness. Tell Him, the great High Priest, what your needs are and then, like Bartimaeus, follow Him, and keep on keeping on in this stewardship way of life. It's a life with the ultimate happy ending.

Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile. Mother Teresa

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 3rd & 4th, 2018

"I am the Good Shepherd. I know my own and my own know me." John 10.14

The rosary is recited before every Saturday evening mass starting at 6:20 pm

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, November 3rd Sunday, November 4th	7:00 pm 10:30 am 1:00 pm	Good Shepherd Good Shepherd St. Ambroise	†Felix Lambert by the Family †Yvonne Bouchard by Tony & Family Health of George Flamand by the Family
Wednesday, November 7th	9:00 am	Good Shepherd	†Doug Mazurat by the Bullock Family
Thursday, November 8th	2:00 pm	Douglas Campbell Lodge	†Germain Dondo by Friends
Friday, November 9th	9:00 am	Good Shepherd	Deacon Darin & Carlene Douglas & Family by Friends
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, November 10th Sunday, November 11th	7:00 pm 10:30 am	Good Shepherd Good Shepherd	†Pauline Dionne by Laura Ratte Deceased Members of the Soos & Le Lievre Families

Friendly Reminders
Saturday, November 10th

Greeters - Mary Bolton
Ushers - Ron O'Neil, Bob Dionne
 Karl & Jo-ann Voesenek
Gift Bearers -
Lectors - Jim Ross, Terry Giercke
Eucharist Ministers - Bob Dionne, Denise Payment,
 Rosemary & Dave Barney

Friendly Reminders
Sunday, November 11th

Greeters - Mary Hordeski, Brenda Franke
Ushers - Irene Souque Hewitt, Paulyne Appah
 Liz Kelly, Joan McCallister
Gift Bearers -
Lectors - Rosa Rawlings, Ruth Deegan
Ministers - Joe & Marie Wermie, Suzanne Borisenko,
 Arthur Rey, Sinto Sebastian, Elaine Harder



MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE - In our Catholic tradition, November is the month of Remembrance. We remember, honor and pray for our deceased family members, friends and loved ones who have influenced and shaped our lives by their love and presence. You are invited to write the name of your loved one in the Book of Remembrance located in our gathering area. At each Mass for the month of November, we will be praying for all those written in our book. Eternal rest grant unto them

O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

NEVER FORGOTTEN - You'll never be forgotten, that simply cannot be. As long as I am living I'll carry you with me. Safely tucked within my heart your light will always shine; a glowing ember never stilled, throughout the end of time. No matter what the future brings, or what may lie ahead, I know that you will walk with me along the path I tread. So rest my angel, be at peace and let your soul fly free. One day I'll join your glorious flight for all eternity.

DEAR PADRE - How do our prayers actually help people who are deceased? I keep thinking it should be the other way around: The deceased should pray for us! After all, they have it made— and we don't. From the early days of the Church, there has been a tradition of remembering those who have died. In the fourth century, Bishop Cyril of Jerusalem noted in his catechetical instructions how, in the Eucharistic prayer, we remember those who have died in two different ways. First, we remember those special ones who have fallen asleep, the fathers and mothers of our faith, the prophets, the apostles, and the martyrs. And we ask that God enable us to share in their inheritance, thanks to their prayers and intercessions for us. This is still the case. At every Mass, we remind God that we rely on Mary and the saints to intercede for us. But also at every Eucharist, since the early days of the Church, when we pray for those who have died, we are reminded that love lasts more than a lifetime. It reaches out across time and space, and even across the divide of death. When we have loved, we yearn for the beloved to live on, not just in memory but in a place that is beyond suffering and tears. And we yearn to see that loved one again. This is one of the most telling reasons why we pray for the dead. It tells us something about ourselves as men and women made in the image of God, God's children who wish what God wishes: that no one be lost, that all be redeemed.

"From the Eucharist, this sacrament of love, flows every authentic journey of faith, of communion, and of witness." (Pope Francis)