



You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God." 2 Corinthians 9:8-11

Number of Parishioners Contributing to Sharing God's Gifts	Percentage of Parishioners Contributing to Sharing God's Gifts	Sharing God's Gifts Target
125/345	36%	\$ 18,910.00
Target Amount	Collected As of October 15th	Year to Date + / -
\$ 18,910.00	\$ 20,596.27	+ \$ 1,686.27



SHARING GOD'S GIFTS - will be the second collection on **November 4th & 5th.**

Collection October 21 & 22	Collections Required Per Week	Weekly Collection + / -	Year to Date Collections + / -
\$ 4,087.95	\$ 3,465.00	+ \$ 622.95	+ \$ 313.36

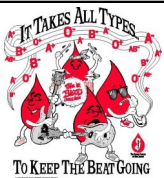
OCTOBER

30 Blood Donor Clinic 3:00 - 8:00 pm
 @ Canad Inn - Ball Room

NOVEMBER

2 Douglas Campbell Lodge Mass 2:00 pm
 4/5 Eucharist Ministers Workshop after Mass
 5 Children's Liturgy - during Mass
 9 Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm
 9 Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30 pm
 11 Remembrance Day
 11/12 Hospitality Workshop after Mass
 14 Lions Prairie Manor Mass 2:00 pm
 14 Catholic Women's League Meeting 7:30 pm
 15 M.D.C. Mass 10:00 am
 16 Ministry of Hope 7:00 pm
 18/19 Lectors Workshop after Mass

NEW SCHEDULES - are ready



YOU HAVE THE POWER TO GIVE

LIFE - There will be a blood donor clinic on **Monday, October 30th from 3:00 - 8:00 pm.** Thanks to all of you for saving lives with your donation of blood. Your efforts have

helped us to make a huge difference in the lives of patients in area hospitals. Appointments preferred or Walk-Ins (If Available) please call 1-888-236-6283.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

November 5th, at 2:00 am, you will be setting your clock back one hour, following the adage of "spring forward, fall back." The "extra" hour gives you a chance to catch up on the sleep you lost in March when the clocks moved forward and Daylight Saving Time began.

Don't watch the clock; do what it does. Keep going.

Good Shepherd Ministry of Hope

invites you to a one day retreat titled

"Walk a New and Hopeful Path"

with guest speaker Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie

Saturday, November 25, 2017

Good Shepherd Parish Hall

Topics:

Spirituality, Grieving, Forgiveness, Addictions Awareness, Wellness and Healing

email at goodshepherdministryofhope@gmail.com

Phone – Denise - 204-267-2755

Rosey - 204-239-1346

Registration deadline November 21

Doors open 9:00 a.m.

Presentations: 9:30 a.m. – 12:00

Lunch: chili lunch provided (no cost)

Presentations: 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Dinner break

Healing Eucharist – 7:00 p.m.

Free will offering

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.

Consult not your fears but your hopes and your dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do.

Problems are not stop signs, they are guidelines.

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HAPPENINGS IN OUR PARISH



MINISTRIES WORKSHOP - we are holding a workshop for everyone involved in the following ministries: lectors, Eucharist ministers, greeters, ushers/collection and gift bearers, after Mass. We would appreciate everyone involved to attend, your knowledge in each ministry is very important to the new parishioners who have joined these teams. We have had parishioners retire and are in need of some new faces. These are the following dates for each ministry: **Eucharist Ministers** will be November 4 & 5, **Hospitality** (greeters, ushers/collection and gift bearers) - November 11 & 12, **Lectors** - November 18 & 19. These are the only weekends that we have available before Christmas. **Please make every effort to attend.** If you would like to become involved please come and join us. If you have any questions please contact Terry Giercke at 204-857-3358 or the Parish Office.



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 100 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 19th after mass. If you have any questions, please contact Stan.



COMMUNITY PARISH BREAKFAST - will be Sunday, **November 19th after mass**, in the parish hall. Menu will be scrambled eggs , hash brown casserole, baked beans, baked ham and buns. Suggested donation of \$7.00 per person or \$25.00 for family of 4 or more. Funds raised will go towards the building project. Everyone is invited! Please come and join us.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - the pastoral council is an advisory or consultative body that is representative of, and speaks for the faithful (e.g. men, women, youth, adults, seniors, etc.) A parish pastoral council is not a body of representative (of organizations) but a representative body (of the whole Community). As such it does not exist to represent organizations and ministries but to articulate the parish's mission, identify the goals that flow from it and define the objectives for reaching the goals. In other words, parish organizations and committees exist to further the pastoral plan as developed by the council. Therefore, good communication between the council and the organizations is essential to allow the council to evaluate the work of the organizations, and to keep the organizations aware of their recommendations. The Council discerns the needs of the parish community and offers the pastor its insights and wisdom. The council is responsible for all the pastoral issues of the parish. In addition to long range planning, council members deal with any pastoral matters the pastor brings before them at the monthly meetings. Members of the Good Shepherd Pastoral Council are: Michele Touchette, Denise Payment, Tracy Maloney-Bullock, Monique Lubkiwski, Troy Lernowicz, Shawn Rawling, Pauly Appah, and Manny Tunacao.

HOSPITAL VISITS - In addition to the masses and prayer services we offer at the Church, I am grateful for the occasions to come to pray with parishioners at the hospital and offer them the Sacrament of the Sick. I am also thankful to our communion ministers who offer their services to visit both at the hospitals and at the care homes, or assisted living facilities here in Portage. They are good to let me know if someone has requested a visit. The staff at the hospital and the care homes are also very good to give us a call if you ask them or have a family member, with your permission, request a visit. In addition, with permission, I stay in contact with my brother priests when I have visited their parishioners to make sure that they are aware that I have seen them and if they require their presence. The list at the hospital may not always acknowledge your presence at the hospital. Privacy and Confidentiality are always of utmost importance. The PHIA (Personal Health Information Act) is always to be followed. If I have not been to visit you, the quickest way is to have someone contact the parish office.

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

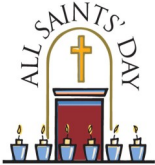
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, October 28th Sunday, October 29th	7:00 pm 10:30 am 1:00 pm	Good Shepherd Good Shepherd St. Ambrose	✠Clara Lizardo by Joy Medallon ✠Gerald Pilon by Pauline Bradley ✠Marie Flamand by the Family
All Saints Day Wednesday, November 1st	7:00 pm	Good Shepherd	✠Monsignor Norman Chartrand by Ted Meseyton
All Souls Day Thursday, November 2nd	2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Douglas Campbell Good Shepherd	For the Health of Father Chris Soeterboek Commemoration of the Faithful Departed
Friday, November 3rd	9:00 am	Good Shepherd	✠Yolande Thomas by Dave & Rosemary Barney
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, November 4th Sunday, November 5th	7:00 pm 10:30 am 1:00 pm	Good Shepherd Good Shepherd St. Ambrose	✠Michelle Lalancette by Dolores Sareault ✠Yvonne Bouchard by Tony & Family ✠Eli Lambert by the Family

Friendly Reminders
Saturday, November 4th

Greeters - Helena Kot, Pauline Puff
Ushers - Norbert & Donna Rey,
 Raymond Smith, Carolyne Roberts
Gift Bearers - Lionel & Armandine Bernardin
Lectors - Rick Ryzner, Jim Ross
Eucharist Ministers - John & Doris Nichol,
 Bob Dionne, Denise Payment, Lynda Jones

Friendly Reminders
Sunday, November 5th

Greeters - Jeannette Houle, Joan Dufresne
Ushers - Bill & Elaine Vint,
 Francisco Gonzalez-Cortez, Candida C Martinez de Gonzalez
Gift Bearers - Alinsod Family
Lectors - Emma Gobin, Margaret Whiteley
Eucharist Ministers - Garth Bullock, Jacklyn Jackson,
 Guy & Sylvia Gauthier, Kerry McGowan, Arthur Rey,
 Kevin Le Lievre



FEAST OF ALL SAINTS - November 1 - when we remember in a special way our dearly departed brothers and sisters, who, with the help of our prayers will eventually be gathered in eternal happiness with all the saints at the heavenly banquet. On this day we light a candle in memory of our dearly departed.
"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them."

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION - There is one word or command that summarizes today's Gospel: Love. For Jesus there is no distinction between these two commands of loving God and neighbor. One naturally flows from the other. In fact, for Jesus, these commands constitute a way of life for Christian stewards; a unique approach to life and to their relationship with others. Our neighbors include everyone with whom we come into contact: family members, friends, people we don't like, strangers and particularly those most in need of our love and compassion. Love is always for doing well and helping others grow closer to the Lord. What are ways in which we might do better at following Christ's love command?

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.



Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence.

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