

Collection September 22 & 23	Collections Required Per Week	Weekly Collection + / -	Year to Date Collections + / -
\$ 3,515.45	\$ 3,860.00	- \$ 344.55	- \$ 11,242.15

Sharing God's Gifts

2018 Target Amount	Collected As of September 23	Year to Date + / -
\$ 19,210.00	\$ 13,326.50	- \$ 5,883.50

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



SHARING GOD'S GIFTS - will be the second collection on **October 6th & 7th**

SEPTEMBER

30 Blessing of Pets 2:00 pm

OCTOBER

3 Parish Pastoral Meeting 7:00 pm
 4 Douglas Campbell Lodge Mass 2:00 pm
 7 Children's Liturgy - during Mass
 8 Happy Thanksgiving
 9 Lions Prairie Manor Mass 2:00 pm
 12 Central Manitoba Youth Choir 7:30 pm
 17 M.D.C. Mass 10:00 am

New Schedules are ready for pickup.



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



I would like to thank you for the gifts of prayer and support for the last four plus years in formation for the diaconate. Many thanks. Deacon Rick



We Joyfully Welcomed Into The Family Of God **Ricci Dy** who was baptized in our parish community. May God grant him, his 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 James Bolton & Gilles Boudreau. Please remember them in your prayers. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

**Walking Together
In God's Embrace**



Don't walk behind me; I may not lead. Don't walk in front of me; I may not follow. Just walk beside me and be my friend, by Albert Camus.



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.

**HAYWOOD ST DENIS CHURCH AND HALL
FUNDRAISING CONCERT**

October 21 - 2:00 PM

Haywood St. Denis Church

Featuring : Father Armand Legal & Jeannine Guyot

Entrance fee - Free will Offering

Refreshments after concert at the hall



WORD AMONG US REFLECTION

BOOKLETS - for the month of October

are available in the gathering area. If you choose to pick up a booklet for yourself, these books are now \$2.50. This is to help cover the cost of the booklet. Thank You.



Good liturgy that is well organized and planned strengthens faith. However, poor liturgy with no organization or planning can weaken

faith. A reverent celebration is one of noble simplicity, we don't have to be spectacular, we just have to do what we do well. Liturgy is always a communal action, never an individual one. At the same time, it is never passive. Vatican II calls for "full, conscious and active participation" of all the faithful in the celebration of the Eucharist. The Liturgy Committee ensures that our celebrations of the liturgical seasons and the Eucharist are reverent, joyful, and full of hope for our worshipping community.



THE BLESSING OF PETS - Pets and their owners are invited to the Blessing of the Pets at **2:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 30th** — rain or shine — at Good Shepherd Catholic Church. This service celebrates the important place that pets hold in our lives, reminding us of the wonder of God's creation and our role as stewards of the earth and all of its creatures. The Blessing of the Pets is celebrated each year in conjunction with the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals. The service will consist of prayers, scripture reading, and the blessing of the pets and their owners. We are requesting that all pets are to be on leashes, in carriers, or held by the owners. All children with pets must be accompanied by an adult. Following the service, treats will be available for the pets.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD - is an opportunity for children to gather during the celebration of Mass to hear God's word proclaimed at their level of understanding and reflect on the Word in their own way. This is not catechesis (religious instruction) or babysitting. This is liturgy and prayer for the children. It is an experience of prayer, of dialogue with God at their level. This is for children between the ages of 4-12 (approx.). This opportunity for the children will begin on **Sunday, October 7th** during Mass and continue for the first Sunday of each month. We are blessed to have Amy Lambert lead the children during their time together.

THE CENTRAL MANITOBA YOUTH CHOIR - is an auditioned choir of fifty voices representing many communities from throughout Central Manitoba. They sing a wide variety of music, both sacred and secular and this year are under the direction of Dorothy Dyck. Their accompanist is Loren Hiebert. The choir will be on tour, throughout Central Manitoba. They will be performing at our Parish on **Friday, October 12th at 7:30 pm**. All are welcome!!!!



THE KITTEN - A family was out for a ride one warm and pleasant Sunday morning. Suddenly the two children in the back seat of the car began to beat their father on the shoulder. "Daddy, Daddy, stop the car! Stop the car! There's a kitten back there on the side of the road!" The father replied, "So there's a kitten on the side of the road. We're out for a drive." "But, Daddy you must stop and pick it up." "I don't have to pick it up." "But, Daddy, if you don't it will die." "We don't have enough room for another animal; we already have a zoo at our house. No more animals!" "But, Daddy, are you just going to let it die?" "Be quiet children, we are just trying to have a pleasant drive." "We never thought that our Daddy would be so cruel and mean to let a tiny little defenceless kitten die on the side of the road." Finally the mother turns to the father and says, "Dear, you'll have to stop." He turns the car around, returns to the spot, and pulls off to the side of the road. He gets out to pick up the kitten. The poor creature is just skin and bones has sore eyes and is full of fleas. But when Dad reaches down to pick it up the kitten, it summonsed its last bit of energy... bristled and, baring tooth and claw struck out at the man. "Ssssst!" He picked up the kitten by the loose skin at the neck, brought it over to the car, and said, "Don't touch it; it's probably got leprosy." When they got home the children gave the kitten several baths, about a gallon of milk, a dousing with flea powder, and then interceded, "Can we let it stay in the house just for tonight? Tomorrow we'll fix a place in the garage." "Sure, take my bedroom; the whole house is a zoo." The children fixed a bed, fit for a Pharaoh....Several weeks pass. Then one day the father walked into the kitchen, felt something rub against his leg. He looked down, and there was the cat. He reached down toward the cat, carefully checking to see that no one is watching. When the cat sees his hand, it does not bare its claws and hiss. Instead it arches its back to receive a caress. Is that the same cat? No. It's not the same as that frightened, hurt, hissing kitten they had found on the road. Of course not! And you know, as well as I know, what made the difference. Love makes the difference in the kitten's life. Without the experience of a loving environment the kitten of our story would have perhaps died on the side of the road. Unloved and unwanted by anyone...rejected and left to fend for itself the kitten had little hope.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 29th & 30th, 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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, September 29th Sunday, September 30th	7:00 pm	Good Shepherd	†Geronimo & †Juanita Rodriguez by the Family For Tony Bouchard & Family by Sally Martin
	10:30 am	Good Shepherd	
Wednesday, October 3rd	9:00 am	Good Shepherd	Deacon Rick Ryzner by the Bullock Family
Thursday, October 4th	2:00 pm	Good Shepherd	†Cecile Maloney by Dave & Rosemary Barney
Friday, October 5th	9:00 am	Good Shepherd	†Dympna McGarry by Enda & Rachael Murray
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, October 6th Sunday, October 7th	7:00 pm	Good Shepherd	Special Intentions by a Parishioner Deceased Members of the Verwey Family by Donald & Shirley Verwey †Lionel Ducharme by the Family
	10:30 am	Good Shepherd	
	1:00 pm	St. Ambroise	

Friendly Reminders

Saturday, October 6th

Greeters - Pauline Puff
Ushers - Norbert & Donna Rey,
 Cecile Scott, Zennia Semchyshyn
Gift Bearers -
Lectors - Denise & Dana Payment
Eucharist Ministers - Ron O'Neil, Jo-ann Voesenek,
 Rosemary & Dave Barney

Friendly Reminders

Sunday, October 7th

Greeters - Armand Tanguay, Richard Pasterhank
Ushers - Michel Dufault, Dawson Lernowicz
 Evaristo Garcia, Arthur Rey
Gift Bearers -
Lectors - Ruth Deegan, Irv Wegleitner
Ministers - Arthur Rey, Sinto Sebastian, Neenu Shibu,
 Elaine Harder, Gary van der Zweep, Carol Lupkowski

While Pope Francis visited a parish in Rome, a young boy named Emanuele asked if his late father, an atheist, was in heaven. When he began to cry, the pope invited the boy to whisper into the pope's ear. With permission, Francis shared their conversation: "A boy that inherited the strength of his father also had the courage to cry in front of all of us. If this man was able to create children like this, it's true that he is a good man ... That man did not have the gift of faith. He wasn't a believer, but he had his children baptized. He had a good heart." The pope asked the group if they thought God would abandon a good man. The children of the parish shouted "No." Then the pope said: "There, Emanuele, that is the answer."

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION - St. James warns us about accepting the standards of the world and assuming that what is normative in society needs no countercultural challenge. The temptation to hoard riches and make sharp bargains at the expense of the powerless is pervasive because these things are generally done and look respectable enough. St. James points to God's judgment on these attitudes and actions of amassing wealth and comfort at the expense of others. How might we be better stewards of the material blessings we have been given? How might we use our wealth with compassion toward others?

Raffle Tickets!

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - will be having their annual Raffle for really good prizes again this year. The Money raised from the draw will go towards purchasing furnishings for the new offices and vestments for our Parish. **Tickets will be available after mass on September 29/30.** Please pick up a couple of books after mass to sell to your friends and family. **Tickets need to be back by October 29th.** Sold Tickets can be placed at the back of the church in a box marked "tickets". **The Draw will be made at the Parish Coffee Party after mass on November 4th.** Thank you for your support of this very worthwhile project. Sincerely, Bernadette Le Lievre - Council President, Irene Souque Hewitt - Raffle Chair

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