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Sat: 3:30 - 4:30pm

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### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Monday-Thursday\*: 9:00am - 9:00pm

\*Thursday Family Adoration: 5:30pm - 6:00pm

Friday & Saturday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Sunday: 5:00pm - 9:00pm

# ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (#1514-1515) teaches that this sacrament is not only for those at the point of death, but for anyone seriously ill or facing serious surgery. In fact, it is preferred that parishioners entering the hospital for surgery should ask the priest for this sacrament before being admitted. Parishioners should never wait until the last minute to call. We encourage parishioners facing surgery to let the parish priest know of their condition before entering the hospital so that they can be anointed before admission.

# SUNDAY'S READINGS

# First Reading

The Holy Spirit descends upon the Apostles gathered in Jerusalem. (Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11)

# Psalm

God's Spirit renews the earth. (Psalm 104:1,24,29-31,34)

# Second Reading

We are all one in Christ Jesus. (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13 or Romans 8:8-17)

# Gospel

Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)

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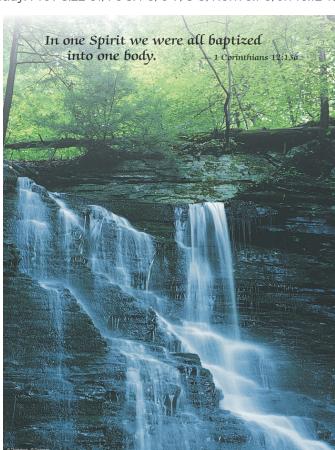
# W E E K L Y R E A D I N G S

Monday: Gen 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135; Mt 5:13-16 Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Mt 5:27-32 Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Mt 5:33-37 Sunday: Prov 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15





# Shepherd's Corner

# I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me

Well, school is out, and many school kids think that they have a few months off of not learning. But, as I say to the altar servers, "Remember, we can learn something new every day!" I recognize that does not make me popular with some of them. But, since we are celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples, I thought this would be a great time for us all to learn something (or refresh our memory) from the Catechism of the Catholic Church. I'm thinking about the Sacrament of Confirmation. A few weeks ago, the Bishop celebrated Confirmation with our high school students. At our Saturday 5:00pm Mass this weekend, we celebrated Confirmation for adults who, for one reason or another, missed the opportunity to receive this Sacrament.

Baptism, the Eucharist, and the sacrament of Confirmation together constitute the "sacraments of Christian initiation," whose unity must be safeguarded. It must be explained to the faithful that the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of baptismal grace. For "by the sacrament of Confirmation, [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence they are, as true witnesses of Christ, more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed."

(Catechism of the Catholic Church #1285)

In 2013, Pope Francis addressed a group of young people in Italy, who were preparing for their Confirmation. He said that it was sad that many people thought Confirmation meant an end of learning about their faith. He said Confirmation "is not a Sacrament of farewell." I have seen this same understanding in the United States as well. I also know people who look at Confirmation as a type of graduation ceremony; an end to any type of religious education. But, as the Pope said, it is not a "sacrament of farewell." Rather, we should look at it as a "sacrament of a new beginning." Confirmation strengthens the grace we received at baptism and enables us to be better Christians and to take the message of God's love into the world.

When we look at the Scripture readings we are given on Pentecost, we see how the gift of the Holy Spirit was a new beginning for the early church. Before the Holy Spirit was given to the disciples, we hear how they were huddled in the upper room in fear. Once the Holy Spirit was given to them, they understood God's love more fully and became confident to proclaim the wonders of God's love to the world.

So how can we apply this to our lives today? One way is to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives so that we can proclaim the Gospel as we're commissioned to at the end of every Mass. We're not all called to be preachers on street corners, but we are called to live out our faith in our homes, places of employment, and social settings. The Holy Spirit can also help us with things like not getting caught up in all the negativity on social media or the internet. Many of the things we listen to or watch can produce fear and anxiety in our lives. And then, before we know it, we react in unhealthy ways with anger, gossip or passing on false information. Fear and anxiety are not from God. Jesus says over and over again, "Peace be with you."

But did you know the Holy Spirit has a dual purpose? I have some Protestant friends (and some Catholic friends) who ask me why we do certain things because they are not specifically in the Scriptures. Saint John tells us that the Holy Spirit will continue to teach us and remind us of all that Jesus said (John 14:26). Not only will the Holy Spirit remind us of the teachings of Jesus, but the Spirit will also continue to teach us. He primarily does this through the Magisterium, the teaching authority of the Church, especially as exercised by the bishops and Pope.

So, are we open to the Holy Spirit teaching us? Will we listen to the promptings of the Holy Spirit? Or, are we like school children who think we know all the things we need to know?



# THIS WEEK

AT A GLANCE

#### MONDAY, JUNE 9

- Knights of Columbus | 6:15pm | GSCC Outreach Center
- OCIA | 7:00pm | Upper Room

# TUESDAY, JUNE 10

• Faith & Focus: That Man Is You | 5:30am | Upper Room

# WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

• Wednesday Morning Scripture Study | 10:00am | Upper Room

### THURSDAY, JUNE 12

· Vocations Rosary | 6:30pm | Church

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 13

• Baby Looms Ministry Meeting | 9:30am | GSCC Outreach Center

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 14**

- Men's Rosary & Discipleship | 7:00am | Daily Chapel
- Safe Environment Initial Training | 9:00am | gscc.net/set for registration & details
- Mission Speaker | At 5:00pm Mass | Church
- Blessing of Fathers | At 5:00pm Mass | Church
- Scan, Shop & Drop Collection Green Bag Pick-Up | After 5:00pm Mass | Narthex
  Samuel Ministry | 6:00pm | St. Maria Goretti

# SUNDAY, JUNE 15

- Mission Speaker | At All Masses | Church
- Blessing of Fathers | At All Masses | Church
- Scan, Shop & Drop Collection Green Bag Pick-Up | After All Masses | Narthex
  KofC Burritos & Donuts | After 7:00am, 9:00am, & 11:00am Masses | Parish Hall



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# **COMING UP AT GSCC**



# FAITH & FOCUS: THAT MAN IS YOU - SUMMER SESSIONS

Begins Tuesday, June 10 5:30am | Upper Room

Men's Faith & Focus: That Man is You (TMIY)



will have summer sessions on the following Tuesdays: June 10, 24, July 8, 22, August 12 & 26. Doors open at 5:30am for a light breakfast. Sessions begin at 6:00am with a current and topical faith video, followed by discussions and fellowship. For those who can attend, Mass follows the session at 7:00am. Register at **gscc.net/tmiy**.

Save the date for the regular fall semester, which will begin Tuesday, September 9.



# STEPHEN MINISTRY INFORMATION MEETING

Tuesday, June 17 & August 5 7:00pm | St. Maria Goretti

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- how to deepen your faith as the Holy Spirit fashions you into a Christ-centered caregiver.

Visit **gscc.net/stephenministry** to learn more.

14 & 15

# **BLESSING OF FATHERS**

Saturday, June 14 & Sunday, June 15

At All Masses | Church

On Father's Day Weekend, we will have a special blessing for all fathers at the end of all Masses. We will also be distributing prayer cards after Mass in the Narthex. Please to pick one up for yourself or to give to a special father in

be sure to pick one up for yourself or to give to a special father in your life.

A Prayer for Fathers

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.



BLESSING OF THE FATHERS

GRACE FEED OUR KIDS WEEK
Monday, June 16 - Friday, June 20

8:30am (Each Day) | Parish Hall
Each summer, Good Shepherd participates in the GRACE
Feed Our Kids program by preparing and delivering sack

lunches to kids in Grapevine who may not otherwise be eating lunch. We are in need of many volunteers each day to prepare lunches at Good Shepherd. There may also be an opportunity to visit the GRACE site to deliver the meals. This is a great volunteer opportunity for adults and children over 12 years old who need

service hours. All volunteers need to be up-to-date on their Safe Environment Training.
Visit gscc.net/feedourkids to register by June 11.



# NEW FACILITATOR TRAINING FOR SAFE ENVIRONMENT

JULY 18<sup>TH</sup> AND 19<sup>TH</sup> 2025

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A NEW FACILITATOR TRAINER FOR SAFE ENVIRONMENT? This training is crucial to all of our ministry volunteers, and we would love to have more facilitator trainers here at Good Shepherd.

The Diocese of Fort Worth is offering a two-part training workshop this summer. If you are interested in becoming a facilitator, please scan the QR code to complete your application.



The Diocese will be working diligently on contacting those who send in applications to set up their interviews throughout these next few months.

# All are welcome to apply!

If you're a volunteer interested in becoming a facilitator or are interested in more details, please contact your local Safe Environment Coordinator Shannon Weimholt at sweimholt@gscc.net or Alma Garcia at agarcia@fwdioc.org





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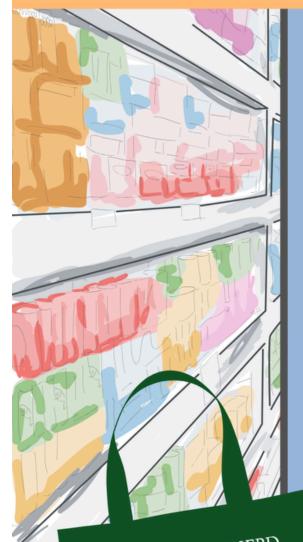
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# Mission Speaker: Fr. Michael Chukwu

At All Masses: June 14 & 15

Fr. Michael Chukwu is from the Diocese of Okigwe, Nigeria. He currently teaches philosophy at St. Joseph Seminary College in Louisiana. The mission appeal is for the missionary work of the Catholic Diocese of Okigwe, which is in the southeast of Nigeria, a predominantly rural area. The diocese was established on January 24, 1981. Catholicism is barely 100 years in this area, and so evangelizing the people is a top priority. There are about 900,000 Catholics in the diocese and about 350 priests serving currently. There are about 126 parishes, most of which are still being built. The diocese is involved in a lot of missions, which include:

- training of seminarians (currently about 130)
- building schools and skill acquisition centers to provide formal catholic education, other forms of training, and evangelization for the poor
- establishing Catholic hospitals
- building the cathedral
- assisting priests who have no salaries
- establishing of a mechanized diocesan farm to aid the fight against hunger in our rural region

Supporting these missions has become increasingly difficult due to the current state of the nation's economy. Please consider generously supporting the Diocese of Okigwe to continue to sustain their missions and spread the word of God to even the remotest part of the diocese.



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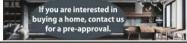
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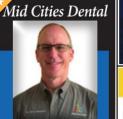
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