

# Parish of the Good Shepherd

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## CHANGES

Given the choice, I would prefer things not change. But given that it's in the nature of things to change (unless, perhaps, you're a rock and even then you change, albeit slowly) the question is how well you adapt to change.

Things are going to be changing in and around Good Shepherd with dazzling speed very soon. First of all, Angier School is going to come down this summer, to be replaced with a shiny new school in around 18 months. The result will be good for the children of Waban but rather inconvenient for Good Shepherd, at least in the short run. The most obvious loss will be the use we make of Angier's parking lot on Sunday morning. So those of you accustomed to using the Angier parking lot may need to leave home a few minutes early to find street parking on the surrounding streets or in Waban Square. That's not too much of a hardship, is it?

The second change is that I will be retiring as rector on November 2nd. You have heard a good deal about this already and will hear more come September but I just thought I would let you know that I'm buying a house in a co-housing community called Two Echo, which is in the woods around ten miles outside Brunswick, Maine. To find out what co-housing is you might want to google Two Echo. And then to see a picture of my house, click houses. Mine is 86 Echo Road. As to the question of what I'll be doing there, well, I must say that I don't have any idea. I've been only one thing for the past 40 years and what I'll be after I'm not a parish priest will only become clear in time.

The third change is that you'll be getting an interim rector and then in about a year or so, a new rector. The diocese appoints the interim, with the consent of the vestry, but Good Shepherd will decide who the new rector will be.

You received a letter from the vestry outlining some of this a couple of weeks ago. What I ask is that you give the wardens and the vestry your support as they take charge of this transition. The process won't be easy and there will inevitably be some bumps along the way but I have a lot of faith in the lay leadership of the parish and I know they'll do everything they can to make Good Shepherd an even more wonderful place.

I've received so many good things from Good Shepherd in my time in Waban---so much strength and self-knowledge. So much faith and hope for the journey. I hope you feel the same way. And now it's up to all of us to give this parish our love and support, so that it can continue to be a place where God is worshiped in truth and beauty and where generations to come may be comforted and strengthened for their journey. I'm counting on you.

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# PARISH NEWS - June 18, 2014

**Congratulations** to Good Shepherd's former assistant rector, Regina Walton, who becomes rector of Grace Church, Newton Corner, in August.

**And congratulations** to our high school graduates Andrew Gillooly and Bryte Kiser. Andrew graduated from Wellesley High School and plans to attend Rochester Institute of Technology (R.I.T.) in Rochester NY in the fall. Bryte graduated from Miss Hall's school in Pittsfield and will be attending Roger Williams University.



## Digital Media Internship

Good Shepherd is looking for a college intern with an IT background (or interest) to manage all aspects of our Digital Media presence online. This is a part time 4-hour a week position that can be done remotely, with an occasional onsite meeting. The weekly duties include:

- Managing and updating our website [www.goodshepherdnewton.org](http://www.goodshepherdnewton.org)
- Running and tuning our web advertising program
- Managing the video equipment, streaming, archiving and web posting of our weekly services
- Editing archived service videos and choir audio to make them 'website ready'
- Managing the user community and email services (Mailchimp)
- Updating Social media (Facebook, perhaps Google+)

Experience/Skills:

- Wordpress
- Google Adwords / Express
- Audio Visual recording + encoding
- Amazon Web Services
- Adobe Media Server
- Video/Audio Editing
- Mass email services like Mailchimp
- Social Media

If you have questions or are interested please get in touch with Ted Ketterer at 617-314-9233 or [TedKetterer@verizon.com](mailto:TedKetterer@verizon.com)



**Thank you....**

I just want to take a moment to thank all those that made Sunday's picnic [held on June 8] a very successful and joyful event. It was our best attended in years and we had our least food left over ever!

**Flowers:** Tucker for purchase, bagging, unloading and to Carl for helping to unload

**PB & J:** Kim Nauen

**Watermelon:** Nancy Ketterer

**Set-up:** Kevin, Deb, Tim, Tucker, Griffin, Christin, Megan, Mary Ann, Emma

**Clean-up:** Kevin, Tim, Deb, Griffin, Tucker, Mary Ann, Emma and many parishioners

Countless other parishioners helped or offered their help throughout the morning as well. Good Shepherd truly is a wonderful place where people never hesitate to help as you all demonstrated Sunday. It was a great day!

Thank you,

**Patty Morgan**



## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION & PROGRAMS

**Nursery, Church School, & Confirmation:** As I go on hiatus for the summer, I extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who made this another wonderful year. **The Nursery** will be open on Sundays during the summer at 8:45 AM. **Church School** classes are over for the summer. A new two-year **Confirmation** process begins this September. If your son or daughter is a rising 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> grader, they will be part of this class. Confirmands will not participate in traditional classes on Sunday mornings and are encouraged to attend services each Sunday. We will kick off with a Potluck Dinner for all Confirmands and their families; more information about the family potluck and other important dates will be mailed out in August. For now, please save these dates:

Sunday, September 7: Church School Registration

Sunday, September 14: Church School begins

**The Christian Education Committee** is already planning for next fall. We will welcome everyone back with an information/social event the day of Church School Registration. Christin Gillooly will be looking at the curriculum over the summer as we strive to find materials that are enriching to our students yet easy to teach. The information/social event will be a wonderful opportunity to view the new curriculum as well as to discuss potential outreach projects and events that will enhance the spiritual lives of our parish youth. We would like to have our teachers scheduled for the first teaching block which will run from September 14 to October 19. Please e-mail Christin Gillooly [cwgillooly6@gmail.com](mailto:cwgillooly6@gmail.com) if you would like to help with the curriculum choices or be scheduled to teach in the first block:

9:45 AM: Church School

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> gr (Lower Level Room 2)

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> gr (Loring Room)

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> gr (Youth Room)