

# Parish of the Good Shepherd

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## LOOKING AHEAD

As Good Shepherd prepares to welcome the Rev. Jay Weldon as our Rector on June 12, here is what the next few Sundays will look like:

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| Sunday, May 22  | This will be Sarah's last Sunday at Good Shepherd; our Confirmation Class will be honored at the 10:00 a.m. service.   |
| Sunday, May 29  | The Rev. Stephen Voysey will preach and celebrate at both services. Stephen recently retired as Rector of St. Peter's Church in Weston and is the Board Chair of Ecclesia Ministries / common cathedral in Boston. |
| Sunday, June 5  | The Rev. Karen Montagno will preach and celebrate at both services. Karen is the Director of Congregational Resources and Training for the Diocese of Massachusetts.   |
| Sunday, June 12 | The Rev. Jay Weldon begins his ministry as Rector! A gala coffee hour follows the 10:00 a.m. service. Jay's family will be en route to Newton at this time; they will be at Good Shepherd on June 19.              |
| Sunday, June 19 | Church School Recognition at the 10:00 a.m. service; Parish Picnic follows the service.  |
| Sunday, June 26 | Summer service schedule begins, with one service at 9:00 a.m.  |

Please Note: The Rev. Jeff Mello, Rector of St. Paul's Church in Brookline, will be on call for pastoral emergencies from Thursday, May 26 through Friday, June 10; Jeff's number will be on the church voicemail during that time.

*Parish News -*  
**May 18, 2016**

**Congratulations to Our Confirmation Class!**

Eight of our young people recently completed a two-year confirmation class:

Ben Awtrey  
Madeline Boyd  
Jack Bracher  
Carissa Dragat  
Bella Hamilton  
Martha Klein  
Alison Nauen  
Zachary Rivers

We are proud of them and their commitment to exploring their faith. They are a lively and thoughtful group! Several members of the class will be confirmed on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, and the class will be honored at the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Church Office Schedule  
from Late May to Early June**

Margaret Harrison, our parish administrator, will be on vacation starting Tuesday, May 24; she returns to the church office on Thursday, June 2. Phone messages will be checked through Thursday, May 26 (Sarah's last day in the office). Emails to the church office will be checked on June 2. As noted above, the Rev. Jeff Mello will be on call for pastoral emergencies from May 26 through June 10; his number will be on the church voicemail.

**Christian Education News**

**Confirmation is Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

Members of our confirmation class will be confirmed on Saturday, May 21 at 10:30 a.m. at All Saints Parish, 209 Ashmont Street in Dorchester. Bishop Gates will preside. This has been a two-year journey for the teenagers as they've questioned and matured in their understanding and their faith. We'd be delighted if members of the parish came to support the confirmands!

**Recognition Sunday and Parish Picnic  
is Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>**

At the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, June 19, we will recognize the amazing volunteers who give so much to our children and youth. The annual Parish Picnic will follow the service.

**But, Church School Continues...**

All summer long, for the first time ever, we will have church school! Mad science will be taking over Church School! Children and youth will be making goo, walking on water, watching baffling experiments, and much more. They will walk away amazed, excited, and knowing a little more about both the world and God. Each Sunday we'll look at a Bible story through the eyes of a mad scientist, which will help us understand Jesus in a whole new way.

~ *Kourtni Brown*  
*Director of Christian Education*