



THE CALL

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Letter from Father Paul

“Living the Love of God”

Augustine of Hippo said, “We are talking about God. What wonder is it that you do not understand? If you do understand, then it is not God.” For Augustine and for us God is the Great Mystery at the heart of creation that has revealed itself as Love. That love is known in two places. We know it deep within ourselves when we know ourselves to be loved, and we know it between people when we express that love for one another. This is the spirituality of the inner and the outer life.

Correspondingly, there are two great actions in the life of the Church. There is the move outward into the world bearing the love we have come to know, working for the transforming of the world. Our outreach programs are robust and garner the partnership of others around town and beyond. They are a vital and essential part of our common life.

Then there is “in-reach,” those things that we do that touch the Mystery in our midst. It is the way we take care of one another so that we as a community know ourselves to be what our Presiding Bishop calls the Beloved Community. The month of September is set aside for a special focus on In-reach. Each Sunday has something going on.

September 3rd: Labor Day Weekend, Parish Campout planned at Roper Lake State Park in Safford, AZ.

Lots of socializing and having fun together.

September 10th: Rally Day, when the inreach programs of the parish family will be on display in the Parish Hall. Look elsewhere in The Call for details for Rally Day.

September 17th: Hymns in the Limbs when we will retreat from the business of the town to worship God together in nature.

September 24th: Wrap-up Sunday for the month.

Each of us has something to do for the common good and each of us is important to the health and wellbeing of the community of faith. This month let us gather together to love one another selflessly as we have been loved by the self-giving God.

Next month: What else might it mean?

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CHOIR NEWS

Fall choir rehearsals start formally on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 9:30 to 10:30am in the parish hall. Anyone who can carry a tune is welcome. Basic vocal technique and music reading will be lightly incorporated into the practices. We learn the Sunday hymns and seasonal liturgy to support congregational singing, choir anthems for the offertory, and special music to enhance the Christmas and Easter seasons.

We are mainly retired and come and go so music is chosen around members' travel plans. Sunday rehearsals are at 9:40 am before the 10:30 service. Out-of-towner musicians are welcome to sit in at that time. Come join us in making 'joyful praise' unto the Lord. Adele Giusto, Music Director

Rally Day!

Rally Day is the In-Reach celebration of Good Shepherd Church. It is the day we deepen our awareness of all the things we do to take care of our own and our common life. If it's a program that cares for our own we hope to see a booth in the Parish Hall on that day Acolytes, Lectors, Lay Readers, Choir, Hospitality, Eucharistic Visitors, Daughters of the King, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Cursillo, EfM, you name it. You can make a "progressive sandwich" for your lunch that day, as each booth will have some element of the makings of a sandwich. Visit each booth, sign up for what you believe God is calling you to, and build your own lunch at the same time.

The Vestry will also have a booth that will highlight the financial condition of the parish. Your gifts to the parish help us take care of our own as well as fund our outreach ministries. There will be full information about what the needs are and you will be given opportunity to respond generously.



Please plan to attend the Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, October 7 in Gough Park.



Pics from last year's Blessing of the Animals.

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September Lay Ministry

Eucharistic Minister, Lector and Acolyte Schedule

9/3	8:00	Karisse Moore Lector-1st Lesson: Mary Burton Riseley
	10:30	1st Reader - Pat Brown 2nd Reader - Win Taylor Eucharistic Ministers - Pat Brown, Win Taylor Acolytes - Win Taylor, Teneal Weatherby, Jorge Martinez
9/10	8:00	Karisse Moore Lector-1st Lesson: Ted Presler
	10:30	1st Reader - Sherry Wooton 2nd Reader - Kris Heck Eucharistic Ministers - Linda Shay, Kris Heck Acolytes - Kris Heck, Linda Shay, Teneal Weatherby
9/17	8:00	Linda Shay Lector - 1st reading: Tom Hester
	10:30	1st Reader - Paul Sherrell 2nd Reader - Jane Bates Eucharistic Ministers - Win Taylor, Jane Bates Acolytes - Win Taylor, Linda Shay, Jane Bates
9/24	8:00	Karisse Moore Lector - Ted Presler
	10:30	1st Reader - Jene Moseley 2nd Reader - Jeanie Locicero Eucharistic Ministers - Kris Heck, Jeanie Locicero Acolytes - Kris Heck, Jeanie Locicero, Teneal Weatherby
10/1	8:00	Karisse Moore Lector - Mary Burton Riseley
	10:30	1st Reader - Pat Brown 2nd Reader - Jane Bates Eucharistic Ministers - Pat Brown, Jane Bates Acolytes - Jeanie Locicero, Virginia McCoy, Teneal Weatherby

September Eucharistic Visitor Schedule

9/3	Rev. Sarah and Tony Guck
9/10	The Bells
9/17	Linda Shay/Kris Heck
9/24	Jeanie Locicero and guest
10/1	Rev. Sarah and Tony Guck



September

10	Mary Ihlefeld
10	Linda Keith
15	Ashley Olson
18	Mitzi Roberts
19	Adele Giusto

September

19th Kathy and Don Strange

