

ST.MARY "GOOD SHEPHERD"
Atrium @ St.Mary Church Parish Center

Dear Parents,

The "*Good Shepherd*" program will begin on **September 13th**. This program runs during the **9:30 and 11:30 Mass times**.

We are located in the *St.Mary Parish Center {front parking lot}*. Please come in through the front door and you will drop your child off by 9:15 and pick up at 10:35 a.m. OR 11:15 and 12:35 p.m. depending on the class time you choose. ***Pick up will be in the same place.***

Please complete your registration and return it with your money as soon as possible. The fee is **\$25.00 per child.**

I and Mrs. Marigene Maltese are trained catechist's of the Good Shepherd catechesis. I will be doing the 11:30 session and Mrs. Maltese will be doing the 9:30 session.

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is an approach to the religious formation of children. It is rooted in the Bible, the liturgy of the church, and the educational principles of Maria Montessori. Children gather in an "atrium", this is a room prepared for them; witch contains simple yet beautiful materials that they use. They will learn to do their own "work".

If you would like more information on this program please call me at **419-625-7465** or email at dgeason@stmarysandusky.org. You can also see more on the "Good Shepherd" online at www.stmarysandusky.org

It is important that the children attend all of the sessions. If you have to miss, it is helpful to let us know ahead of time so we are not waiting around for your child to show up. We do celebrate birthdays so if you would like to send a treat please do.

We use the little church bank. This is when they can put in money that they might have earned by doing chores at home. However you do things at home. This is then given to our parish who tithes to many organizations.

A calendar for the upcoming year is also available online.

In Faith,

Mrs. Debbie Geason
Good Shepherd Catechist