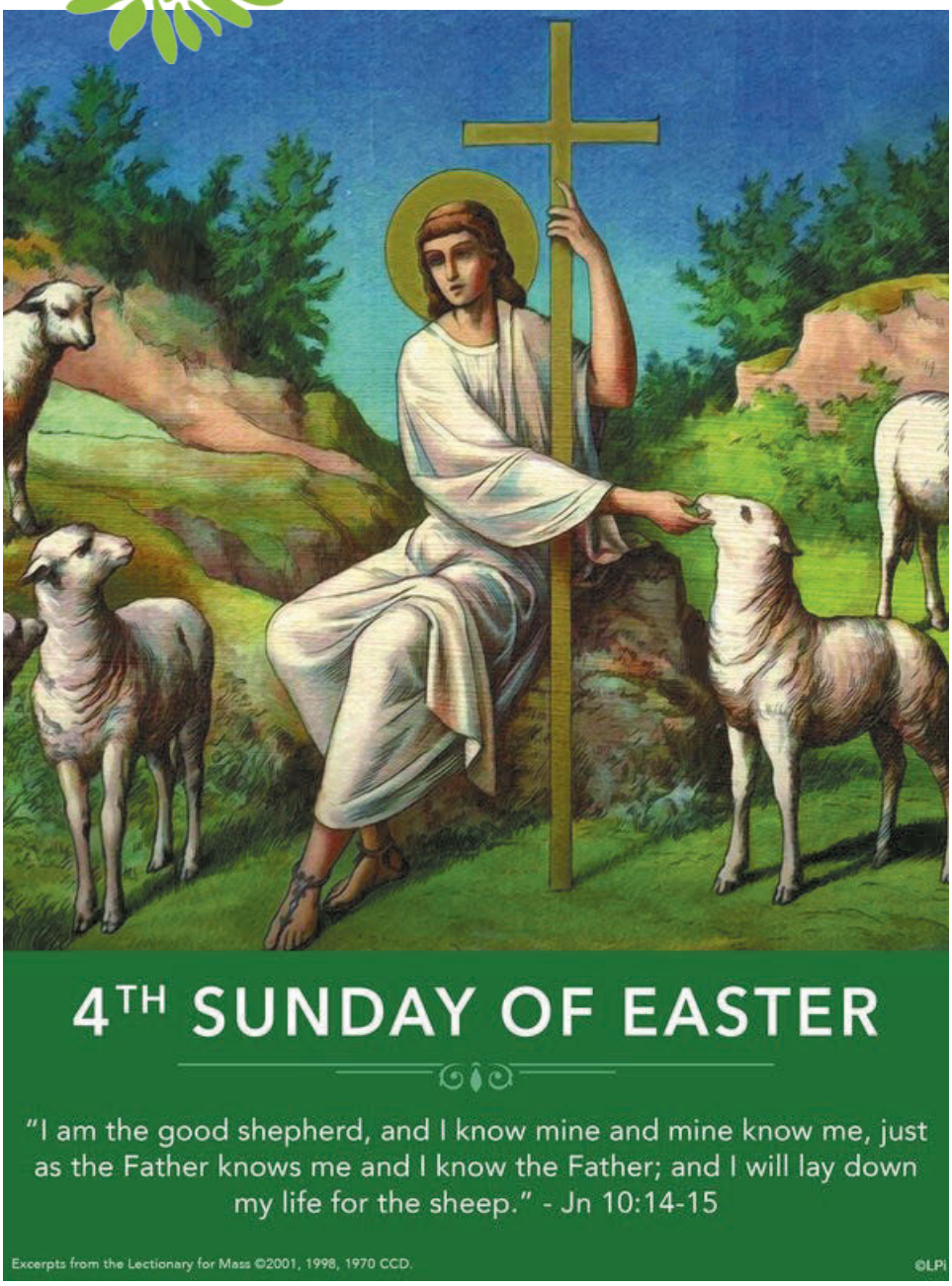
Queen of Peace Parish

Welcome!

We, the Catholic community of Queen of Peace Parish, centered in the Eucharist, strive to grow in our faith and our relationship with God as a welcoming people, working for peace and justice through service to others.



OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:
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Tuesday:	7:00 am
Thursday:	7:00 am
Sunday:	10:00 am

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Monday:	9:00 am
Wednesday:	9:00 am
Friday:	9:00 am
Saturday:	8:30 am
Sunday Vigil Mass:	4:30 pm
Sunday:	8:30 am
	11:30 am

CONFESSIONS 3:30 pm on Saturday

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday:	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Benediction:	5:45 pm

April 21st, 2024



From the desk of Father Rich Yanos

Good Shepherd Sunday

The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

What makes the good shepherd good? Is it his skills in keeping the sheep together? Probably not, since elsewhere we hear the story about the sheep who wander away! Is it for the size of his flock or the quality of the sheep? None of these factors are mentioned by Jesus. There is only one reason why the good shepherd is called good: he lays down his life for the sheep.

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, has laid down his life for his sheep. In turn, he has been raised up by the Father, that he might be "the first born of many brothers". Thus, by his death, we have life, and by his dying, we live forever in the glory of God.

Are we good shepherds? Do we lay down our lives for the forgotten sheep of God's flock? Sometimes, the answer is painful to admit. Do we pray for the children yet in the womb, begging God to keep them safe? Do we pray for new parents as they wait sometimes with equal parts of hope and fear for the new life God has entrusted to their care? Do we support single mothers with our words, our actions and our contributions to shelters and programs which provide them with support and assistance?

How about mothers who have once turned the wrong way and aborted their child? Are we good shepherds for them? Do we go out to find them and gently bring them home with the mercy and gentleness of Christ the Good Shepherd? Are our hearts filled with the compassion of the shepherd who "knows his sheep" and loves them despite their having wandered away?

And what of those lost on death row? Do we love them with the love of the Good Shepherd? Does out heart go out to them ***and*** their victims? Do we preach repentance rather than retribution and respect the right to life of every human being, even one who has unjustly taken the life of his bother or sister?

Are we good shepherds for those who are sick or old or alone or afraid? Do we go out to find them in nursing homes and hospitals, in shelters for the homeless and detox units at the local hospital? Do we love the lost sheep no matter how dirty they may have become, or how deeply entwined in the thorns of sin? Am **/** the good shepherd? Do **/** lay down ***my*** life for the sheep?

Just a few weeks ago, we celebrated Holy Thursday. We got down on our hands and knees and washed feet. We did it because the Good Shepherd washed feet, too, on the night before he died for you and for me. And once he had washed feet, he rose and told his disciples, as I have done, so you should do".

I am the Good Shepherd.

I lay down my life for lost sheep…as I have done, so you should do.

John 10:11

It's that time of year when most priests and deacons in the Archdiocese celebrate their ordination anniversaries. Our Ordination Day anniversary, like a wedding anniversary, is a significant reminder to us of the commitment we made to serve you, our parish families. I ask that you keep all of us in your prayers, as you always hold a special place in ours. For those of you who may wish to know these dates and the anniversary years being celebrated, they are:

April 26	Deacon Chris Virruso	38 years ordained
April 28	**Fr. Ed Pacocha**	**62 years ordained**
May 3	Fr. Jim O'Brien	64 years ordained
May 7	**Fr. Rich Yanos**	**41 years ordained**
May 14	Fr. Greg Rom	49 years ordained
May 27	**Deacon Ted Marszalek**	**17 years ordained**
June 19	Fr. Jacek Dada	31 years ordained

On a more personal note, I wish to congratulate our retired priests, Frs. Ed Pacocha and Greg Rom for their willingness to share their gifts of ministry with us here at Queen of Peace. I am personally so grateful for their presence here among us. Though we may not realize it, we are so fortunate here to be in a situation with four priests working together in the service of our community. This is a blessing I am truly grateful for. However, in a matter of just a little over two months we will be without Fr. Jacek for a six-month period as he will be taking a sabbatical from July 1st through December 31st. This may mean that some changes may be in order for us here during his time away. Just a few years ago there were six full-time priests serving our three parish communities before we became one. Beginning July 1st there will only be one full-time priest and God willing, the assistance of our retired priests, Fr. Ed and Fr. Greg, who works like a full-time priest. I ask for everyone's understanding if adjustments need to be made to what we have all been accustomed to in response to this reality we will all soon be facing.

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Today is also World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world-wide Church honors all Christian vocations. We pray that our Church may be enriched by our commitment to remain faithful to God's call. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, guides us and protects us on our life journey.

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Finally, I'd like to remind and encourage all in our parish to attend our Parish Mission next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. Augustinian Fr. Tom McCarthy will be our Mission speaker. It promises to be a thought provoking and spiritually uplifting experience. I hope to see you all there at Our Lady Mother of the Church. I encourage you to invite your neighbors, family, and friends.

Fr. Rich Yanos



QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH - MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 20

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - Mass at St. Eugene Churc

Dominic & Nancy Sulimowski, 50th Wed Anniv.,
Josephine & Joseph Derus
Wayne Greco
Constance Pinner

Sunday, April 21

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Robert J. Brun
S.I. Michael Lynch
Anthony Parisi
Jozef Pawula
Martha & Alex Wrobel

10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Tom Fahy
Ben & Palmina Fiorentino
Franek & Julia Kot
Michael L. Nardulli
S.I. John Nicosia B-Day Blessing
Pietro Pisello
Stefania Rebacz
Rosina Schwager
Calogera Caterina Vivacqua
Charlene Widmaier

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Geri & Bob Bailey 50th Wedd. Anniv .
Concetta Bartucci
Burke, Bailey & Vince Families
Joseph Cozzone
Giovanni & Iolanda Lucchesi
M/M A. Fifielski & Son
Robert Seliga

Monday , April 22

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Diane & Gene Connelly, 60th Wedding Anniversary
Liv. & d'ecd members of Connelly, Crimmins & Brucki Fams.
Marcial Santos

Tuesday, April 23

7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Rev. Dan Fallon
Jozef, Karolina & Antoinette Barc
Ryszard Kwiatkowski
Josephine Miller

Wednesday, April 24

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Juan Diaz
Eueniano Guieb
Brian Patrick Masterson
Mark Nagel
Kade Schipper

Thursday, April 25

7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Rev. Dan Fallon
S.I. Konrad Sniezek

Friday, April 26

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Bronislaw Wiktor—Death Anniversary

Saturday, April 27

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Wincenty Dmochowski
Aleksander Dmochowski
Adela Dmochowska

Saturday, April 27

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - Mass at St. Eugene Church

Maureen Johnson
Angeline Komperda
Lorraine Martin, Death Anniversary
Walter & Maria Szaflik

Sunday, April 28

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

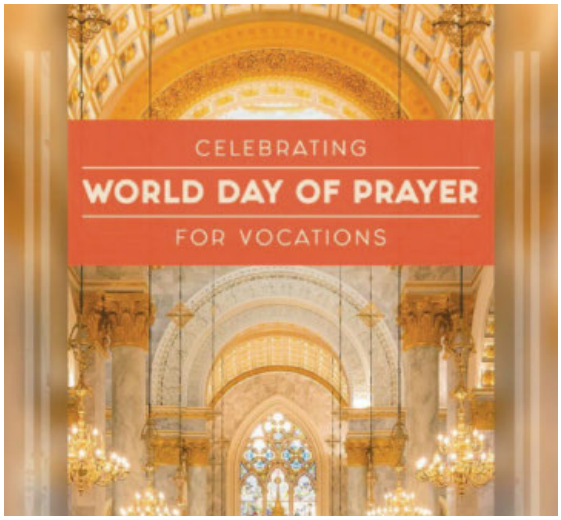
Robert J. Brun
Amedo DeSantis
Zofia & Edward Dobosz
Kathleen Keely
Mark Mucek, B-Day Remembrance
Maria & Matthias Rempala
Martha & Alex Wrobel

10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Ana & Jakob Kalupski
James & Joseph Kalupski
Terezia Kele
Josephine Miller
Pietro Pisello

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Carmela Esposito
Michael & Giuseppe Fiorante
Erika Arquilla Hlavacek –2yr. Anniv of death,
Leonardo Mignano
Maddalena & Domenico Mignano
Rosa & Domenico Petruso
Fr. Fred Tomzik
Lenore Wollweber



Schedule of Liturgical Ministers

Date	Celebrant	Extraordinary Minister	Altar Server	Lectors
Saturday, 04/27 4:30 PM - SE	Rev. Ed Pacocha Thomas R. McCarthy, O.S.A.	L. Feist - WB T. Swiderski - B S. Sparacino - C A. Cisek - O R. Sparacino - WO F. Klus - Cup - B D. Sulimowski - Cup - O	TBA	L. Olen
Sunday, 04/28 8:30 AM - SE	Rev. Greg Rom Thomas R. McCarthy, O.S.A.	J. Fornek - WB G. Fornek - B J. Kolaski -- C C. Mikucki - C D. Duszynski - WO J. Cardella - Cup - B G. Bermas - Cup O	TBA	J. Imburgia
Sunday, 04/28 10:00 AM - OLMC	Rev. Jacek Dada Dcn. Chris Virruso Thomas R. McCarthy, O.S.A.	P. Vega - AB C. Capps - Ac M. Mosk - TB R. Catalano - TB	D. Flynn G. Pilch J. Pilch	C. Roldan - 1st L. Muehlfelder - 2nd
Sunday, 04/28 11:30 AM - SE	Rev. Rich Yanos Thomas R. McCarthy, O.S.A.	M. Villaba - WB D. Hernandez - B M. Holder - C C. Giacalone - O O. Giacalone - WO U. Pawlowski - Cup - B M. Zurek - Cup - O	TBA	J. Mroszczak



St. Eugene Church
Mondays 4-6pm.
Benediction at 5:45pm

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The Good Shepherd and the Wolf

I remember very clearly the first movie I watched during my pregnancy with my eldest child. In this film, there is a scene where a young boy is kidnapped and shoved into the back of a van guarded by vicious dogs. His mother persists in trying to free him, even as the dogs snap at her. Their bared teeth and full-throated snarls don't slow her efforts in the slightest.

It wasn't a great movie or even a particularly great scene, but I'll never forget this scene. I'll never forget those dogs.

I had just learned that I was a mother a few days ago. The life growing deep within seemed to me as frail as a whispered secret, but I loved it powerfully. I worried constantly if the baby was safe and healthy. I agonized over signs — real or imagined — that could tell me if the poppyseed-sized child was thriving or failing.

I understood, for the first time in my life, why a woman would charge a pack of attack dogs without hesitation — not because she should, but because she has to.

She could choose not to fight, certainly. She could walk away. But why would she? A future without her son is so much more painful than any physical wound. She may fear for her life, but she fears a life without her child so much more.

The Good Shepherd discourse reveals to us the motivation behind God's actions throughout all of salvation history. From Adam to Noah to Abraham, all the way down to the time of the Messiah and beyond, He keeps trying to get us back. He keeps braving the attack dogs, time after time. He never stops. He never grows weary. And it baffles us: *what's in it for Him?* we wonder, because we are quicker to give up on ourselves than He is. *Why does He keep trying?*

He could choose not to fight, sure. But why would He? He doesn't want a future without us.

"I will lay down my life for the sheep." — John 10:11

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?
Catholic Life Explained

Question:
What is unique or different about the way Catholics read and are exposed to the Bible?

Answer:
Catholics are exposed to Scripture primarily through the Sunday readings from a book known as the *Lectionary*. The *Lectionary* is a book of selected passages from the Bible set in the context of a liturgical season, such as Advent, Lent, or ordinary time. There are four readings assigned to any Sunday: the first reading (usually from the Old Testament), the responsorial psalm, the second reading (usually from a New Testament letter), and the Gospel reading.

These readings together give them a new context. The selected readings relate to one another in a unique manner that is not present in the Bible text itself. In close proximity to each other, these readings now have the opportunity to converse with each other in a way that would have not been possible before. A homilist pays attention to all four readings, preparing a reflection that speaks of this conversation among the readings, enabling us to zero in on what this unique combination of God's word has to say to us this particular Sunday.

Next time you attend Sunday liturgy, try reading the Scripture ahead of time and see how this new relationship among the readings addresses and challenges you to be a better Christian here and now.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Pat Apida
Annabella Amato
Ralph J. Amelio
Victoria Amelio
Peter Badagliacca
Patricia & Lawrence Basili
Judy Bauer
Ludwika Bialo
Bronislaw Bialo
A. & V. Bischof
Gabriella Bongiorno
Virginia Bongiorno-Lawrence
Johnmar Castillo
Gracie Carey
Karen Cazolas
Mary Ciliak
Jerome Compell
Mark Corrado
Sharon Crowley
Susan Curtin
Angela & Rocco D'Alessandro
John Dahlquist
Joseph Duna
Tony Fiore
Bob Gasiorek
Harry Gelardi
Patricia Gelfond
Susan Hennessy
Jeff Herden
Renee Holm
Ryszard Jablonski
Terry Katz
Arthur Kopeck
Harry Krawczyk
Thomas Landeck
James LaPietra
Abagail Lim
Allie Lim
Frank Lizak
Rose Mary Maratto
Mickey Margelewski
Stanisław Mazek
Azucena & Jazmine Melendrez
Dolores Michalek
Patrick Misciniscinski
Linda Morton
Norman Mosk
Michael C. & Virginia Muscarello
Michael J. Muscarello
Rodney Niewinski
Joey Notaro
Anthony Notaro
Victtoria Nudo
Rev. James J. O'Brien
Donie Odulio
Catherine O'Hara
Blanca Pacia
Robert Pankow
Camille Pavlis
Karen Pavlis - Karasawa
Kay Phelan
Rita Rogers
Diane Rizzuto
Pat Schippers
Shirley Schindler
Peter Schroeder
Robert Shelton
Dolores Scorza
Maria Slomski
Daniel Staniec
Emily Steckiewicz
Rachael Stowe
Mae Stryker
Lavergne Suchor
Bob Schu
Tom Szczech
Dave Tudron
Ernesto Vergara
Genowefa Wawronowicz
Dolores Wilk

We pray for our loved ones who are serving in any branch of the Armed Forces during this time of conflict.



**Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
for the selfless acts they perform for us
in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus
our Lord and Savior. Amen**

Major Adamczyk
Joseph Antosh, Jr.
Ghaleb Azroui
Matthew Calderisi
Timothy Emmett Carolan
Melissa Rose Cortese
James Vincent Degrazia
Patrick Edward Dillon
Zbigniew Dudkowski
Matthew Scott Forrest
Dominic John Guerrieri, Jr.
Major Dirk Haller
Andrew Hopkins
Christopher Jenkins
Bernard Edward Kusinski
Lt. Radoslaw Korzeniak
Antonio James Lim
Payne Manczko
Chris Marchiori
Daniel Meaney
Keith Miller
Michael Morales
Mike Mroszczak
Thomas Neuhengen
Eric Norwood
Elliott O'Claire
Vincent Page
Chad Pritchard
Nicholas Ranch
Adam Roberts
Joseph Saineghi, Jr.
Holly Schippers
Michael Schippers, Jr.
Sean Sherlock
Sharon Sherlock
Phillip R. Simonsen
Tony Strzalka



Queen of Peace Parish Mission with Fr. Tom McCarthy, OSA

April 28, 29 & 30, 2024

At Our Lady,
Mother of the Church
7:00pm

Evening 1 -- The Saints – How are they the heroes of our faith?
Am I a saint in training?

Evening 2 – Prayer – Is it worth it? Does God listen to me?
Answered or unanswered prayers – which do I believe in?

Evening 3 – The Family of Faith –
Do I consider my Parish a family?
How do I build up my family of faith?
I want to belong – how do I do it?
There will be a celebration of Mass.



BIOGRAPHY OF REV. THOMAS R. MCCARTHY, O.S.A.

Father Tom is an experienced teacher, administrator, retreat director and parish mission preacher.

He is a native of the South Side of Chicago. He grew up in St. Adrian Parish in Marquette Park. He received his elementary school education at St. Adrian School and high school education at St. Rita of Cascia High School. He graduated from Villanova University with a B.A. in Communication Arts. He also has a Master of Arts in Educational Administration from Lewis University.

Fr. Tom entered the Midwest Province of the Augustinian Order in 1987. After completing his novitiate, he attended Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and graduated with a Master of Divinity degree.

In 1993 he made his solemn vows as an Augustinian Friar and in 1994 he was ordained to the priesthood.

He did a pastoral internship at St. Clare of Montefalco Parish in Grosse Pointe Park, MI, and taught theology at Providence Catholic High School in New Lenox.

Fr. Tom ministered for 21 years at St. Rita of Cascia High School in Chicago as a teacher, campus minister, Principal, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Fr. Tom ministered for nine years as the Vocation Director for the Our Mother of Good Counsel (Midwest) and five years for St. Thomas of Villanova (Eastern) Province.

Fr. Tom spent two years as the Augustinian Advisor to the Office of First- and Second-Year Initiatives - Office of Student Life at Villanova University.

Fr. Tom ministered in Rome as part of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization where he was named a Papal Missionary of Mercy by Pope Francis in 2018.

Father Tom spent two years as the Director of the Augustinian Marylake Shrine in King City, Ontario, and the Prior of the Marylake Augustinian Monastery.

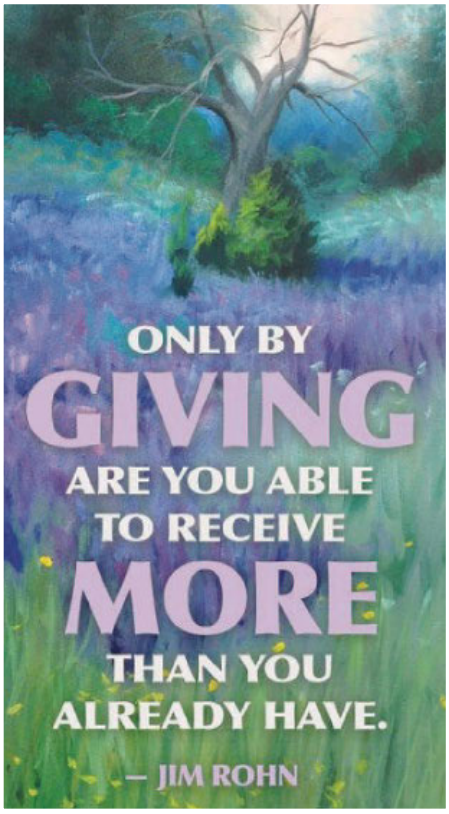
Fr. Tom is currently in his 14th year as Vocation Director for the Midwest Province.

Father Tom is the Director of St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel in Chicago, IL, and the Director of Community Relations at St. Rita High School in Chicago. Father Tom is also the Prior of the Pre-Novitiate Community of St. Clare of Montefalco Friary in Chicago.

Father Tom continues to preach parish missions and lead retreats.

You can find more information on his website www.frtommccarthy.com

PARISH Support



FROM THE PARISH OFFICE:

The combining of all three parish financial records was completed in late November.

It is most important that we make the following requests of our parishioners.

⇒ All checks must now be payable to **QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH.** No longer is our financial institution willing to accept Divine Savior/Our Lady, Mother of the Church or St. Eugene.

⇒ Please only use envelopes which are for Feb. and March of 2024. Any old envelopes will now have the wrong number and should be destroyed.

If you did not receive your Feb/March envelopes please contact the Parish Office.

Thank You
for your Attention to this matter.

This Weekend

Queen Of Hearts Raffle Tickets

Available After All Masses
In Rear Vestibule
(Tickets are Also Available
In SE Rectory Office)

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Second Collections

April 21
School Support

Donation information
not available.
It will be reflected
in the next available bulletin.

BIBLE STUDY
Wednesday in St. Eugene School room 110 from 10:00 to 12:00. Questions or comments please feel free to email Frank at fjlizak@comcast.net.
Hope to see you there!

The Friendship Club

will be meeting on

Tuesday, April 23rd at 11:00.

This will be our Earth Day Party.

Our lunch will be pizza along with a salad and a surprise dessert. Our speaker will be Reno Del Rosario who deals with antiques and collectables.

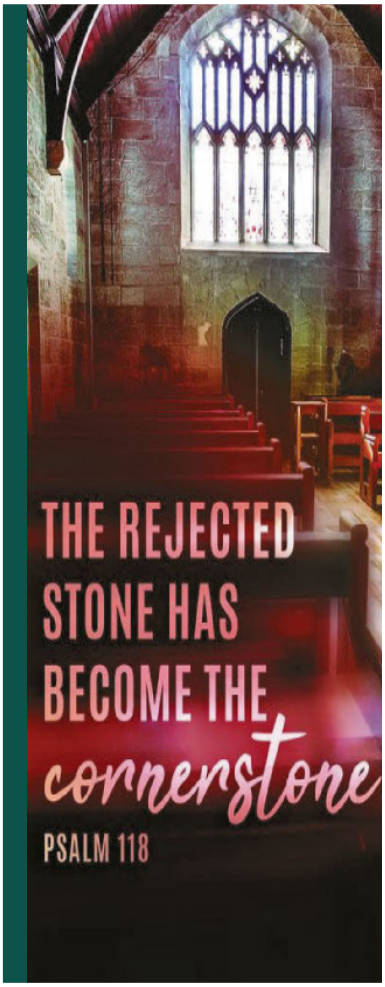
If you want, you can bring an item for him to look at and appraise.

After lunch, Bingo will be played.

BULLETIN REQUEST

Bulletin Submissions:

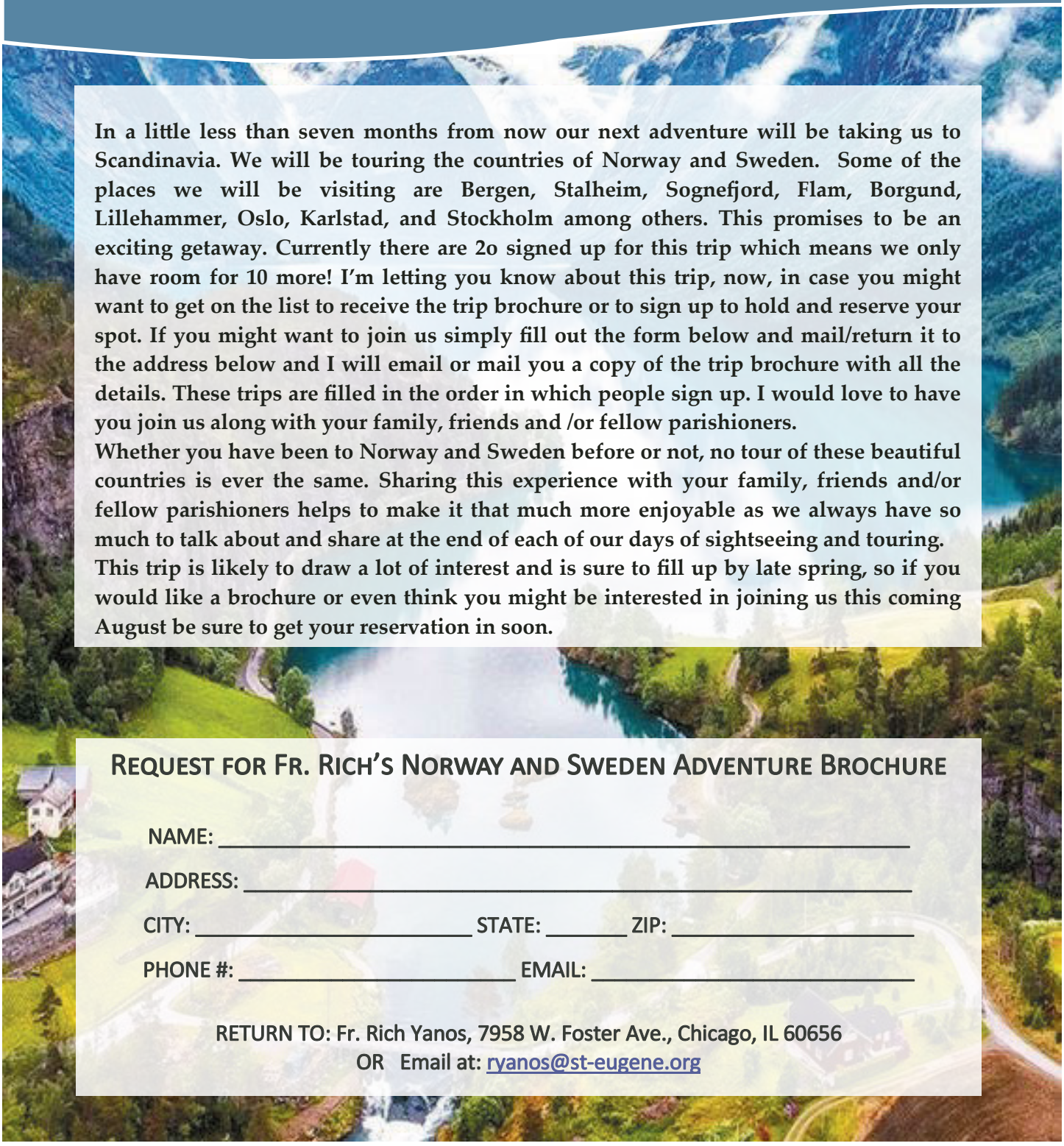
Bulletin requests must be sent two weeks prior to the desired bulletin weekend to mgeurtsen@archchicago.org
We reserve the right to edit. Submissions will be placed in the bulletin if space allows and pending administration approval. Please call the parish office for the holiday schedule.
Thank you.



ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN FR. RICH YANOS ON OUR UPCOMING

NORWAY and SWEDEN TRIP

12 Days… August 6 – 17, 2024



In a little less than seven months from now our next adventure will be taking us to Scandinavia. We will be touring the countries of Norway and Sweden. Some of the places we will be visiting are Bergen, Stalheim, Sognefjord, Flam, Borgund, Lillehammer, Oslo, Karlstad, and Stockholm among others. This promises to be an exciting getaway. Currently there are 2o signed up for this trip which means we only have room for 10 more! I'm letting you know about this trip, now, in case you might want to get on the list to receive the trip brochure or to sign up to hold and reserve your spot. If you might want to join us simply fill out the form below and mail/return it to the address below and I will email or mail you a copy of the trip brochure with all the details. These trips are filled in the order in which people sign up. I would love to have you join us along with your family, friends and /or fellow parishioners.

Whether you have been to Norway and Sweden before or not, no tour of these beautiful countries is ever the same. Sharing this experience with your family, friends and/or fellow parishioners helps to make it that much more enjoyable as we always have so much to talk about and share at the end of each of our days of sightseeing and touring.

This trip is likely to draw a lot of interest and is sure to fill up by late spring, so if you would like a brochure or even think you might be interested in joining us this coming August be sure to get your reservation in soon.

Request for Fr. Rich's Norway and Sweden Adventure Brochure

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE #: _____ EMAIL: _____

RETURN TO: Fr. Rich Yanos, 7958 W. Foster Ave., Chicago, IL 60656

OR Email at: ryanos@st-eugene.org

Rosaries for Vocations

This Fourth Sunday of Easter, also called Good Shepherd Sunday, is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please pray at least one Rosary this week for vocations to the priesthood, consecrated life, and permanent diaconate. Rosary Guild members include Emily A., Lori G., James H., John I., Lita J., Evelyn K., Terri K., Gilda M., Lonnie M., Mary M., Ted M., Josephine N., Emilie P., Stefania P., Jean R., Demi S., Shirley S., and Milabelle T.

Prayer for Vocations

Hail Mary, full of grace;
all generations call you blessed.
Hail Mother of God; when asked by the angel
to bear the Son of the Most High,
filled with faith, you responded:
"Let it be done unto me."

Holy Mother of Jesus, at the wedding feast at Cana,
you prompted your Son to perform his first sign.

Be with us as we discern our life's work
and guide us in the way we are called to follow
in the footsteps of your Son.

Holy Mother of the Savior, at the foot of the cross
you mourned the death of your only Son.

Bless and embrace the loving parents of all priests,
deacons, brothers and sisters.

Holy Mother of the Good Shepherd,
turn your motherly care to this nation.

Intercede for us to the Lord of the harvest
to send more laborers to the harvest
in this land dedicated to your honor.

Queen of Peace, Mirror of Justice, Health of the Sick,
inspire vocations in our time.

Let the word of your Son be made flesh anew
in the lives of persons anxious to proclaim
the good news of everlasting life.
Amen.

usccb.org/prayers/prayers-vocations

Living Rosary

By praying a decade or more of the Rosary each day, people pray a 20-decade Rosary daily for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and in honor of Saint Philomena, the patron of the Living Rosary. Please contact the rectory office if you would like to be a part of the Living Rosary.

Joyful Mysteries	Luminous Mysteries	Sorrowful Mysteries	Glorious Mysteries
Annunciation - Ted M.	Baptism of Jesus - Barb R.	Agony in the Garden - Jean R.	Resurrection - Lita J.
Visitation - Barb R.	Wedding at Cana - Mary M.	Scourging at the Pillar - Jean R.	Ascension - Marsha G.
Nativity - Josephine N.	Proclaim the Kingdom - Ted M.	Crowning with Thorns - Mary M.	Descent of Holy Spirit - Camille C.
Presentation - Karen R.	Transfiguration - Emily A.	Carrying of the Cross - Ted M.	Assumption of Mary - Camille C.
Finding in the Temple - Mary M	Institution of Eucharist - Emily A.	Crucifixion - Demi S.	Coronation of Mary - Camille C.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

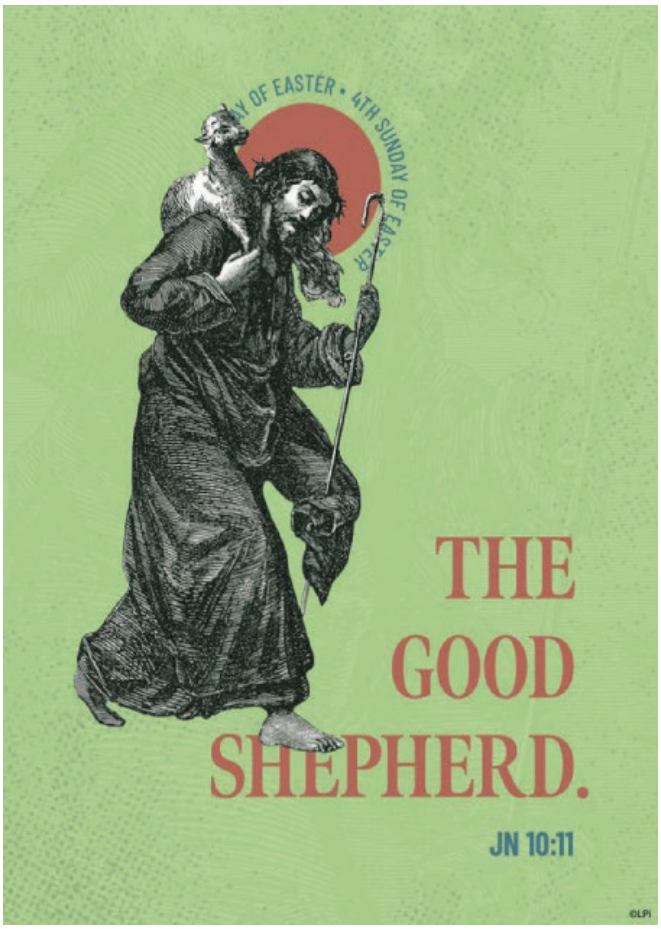
Fr. Tolton Pilgrimage

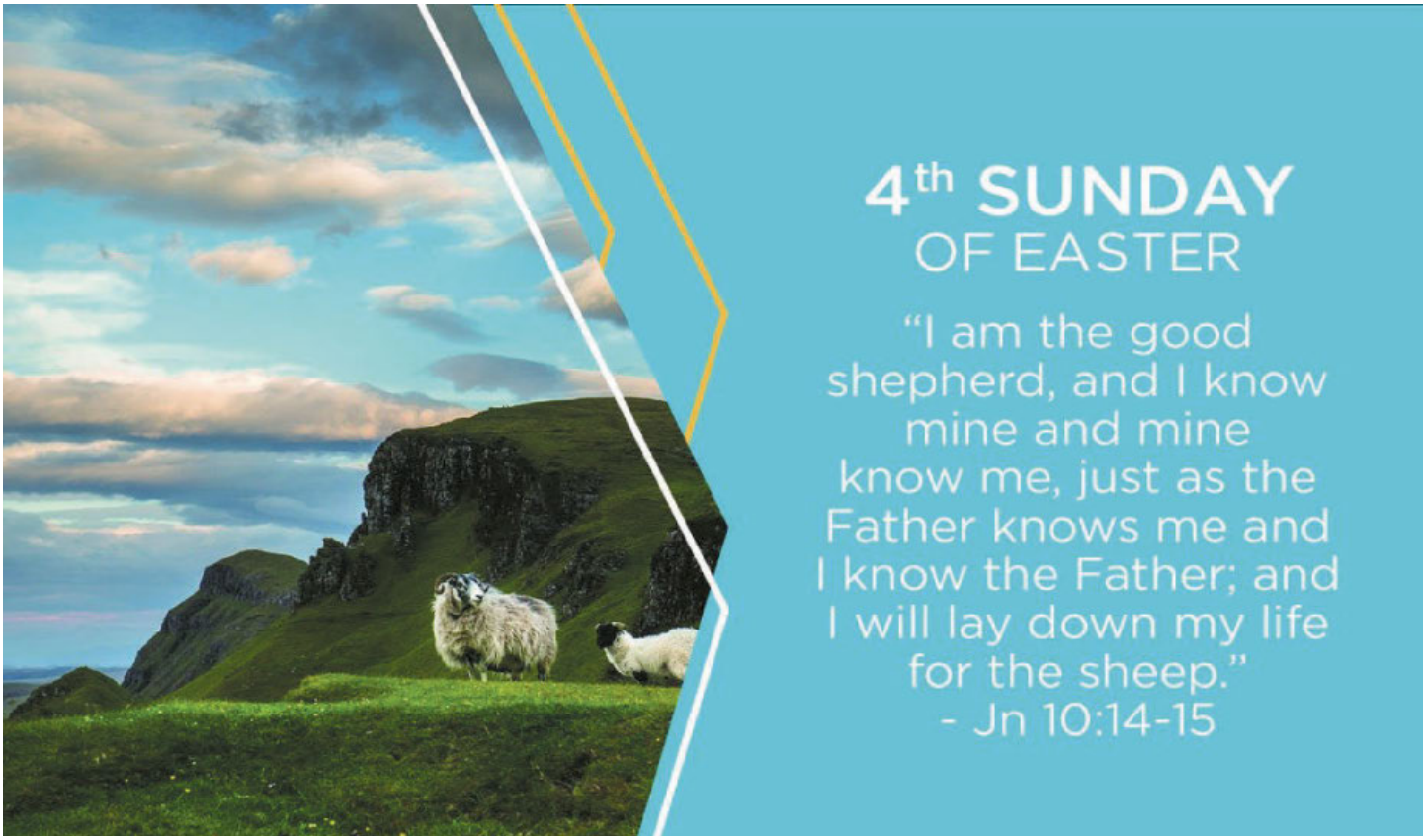
Sunday, May 19, 2024, a Pilgrimage to remember the ministry of Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton here in Chicago.



Tentatively, we will drive by the Cardinal Meyer Center, participate in a Sunday Mass at St. Benedict the African Parish, and visit the grave of Fr. Tolton's mother, Martha Jane Tolton, at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

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- Jn 10:14-15

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Peter bore witness to the Sanhedrin that it was the crucified and risen Jesus who healed the crippled man and through whom we are saved. Have you ever told someone else about your faith in Jesus?

Second Reading:

John tells us that as believers we are destined one day to be like the resurrected and glorified Jesus. How do you think we can best prepare for such a future?

Gospel Reading:

As the "Good Shepherd," Jesus speaks of the power given to him by the Father to lay down his life for his sheep. What could you do this week for the benefit of another?



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The Eucharist is the sacrament of love: it signifies love, it produces love

- ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:
"There is no salvation through anyone else,
nor is there any other name under heaven
given to the human race by which we are to be saved."
(Acts 4:12)

Psalm:
The stone rejected by the builders has become the
cornerstone. (Ps 118)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:
Beloved, we are God's children now;
what we shall be has not yet been revealed.
We do know that when it is revealed we shall be
like him,
for we shall see him as he is. (1 Jn 3:2)

Gospel:
Jesus said:
"I am the good shepherd.
A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." (Jn 10:11)

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Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week

Jesus the Good Shepherd knows that real love is an action, not an idea. His sacrifice is the proof of his love for his flock. Let us remember to love one another as the Good Shepherd loves us: not just in words but in actions, in choices, in deeds.

Observances for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday:	4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Monday:	Earth Day
Tuesday:	St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr
Wednesday:	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr; Administrative Professionals' Day
Thursday:	St. Mark, Evangelist
Friday:	Arbor Day
Next Sunday:	5th Sunday of Easter



Saint of the week

St. Paschal Baylón was a devout Spanish monk. In his vocation as a lay brother, he worked as a chef, porter, gardener, and official beggar. He often gave so much to the poor that his brothers tried to limit his generosity. Because of his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, he is the Patron Saint of Eucharistic Congresses and Societies.

Prayer of the Good Shepherd

Dear Lord,
You are my Shepherd, a Good Shepherd, who leads in ways beyond my understanding. Guide me in the paths You would have me go.
Amen.

Readings for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday:
Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday:
Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday:
Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday:
Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/ Jn 12:44-50

Thursday:
1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/ Mk 16:15-20

Friday:
Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/ Jn 14:1-6

Saturday:
Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday:
Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal's wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I didn't care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (quite heroically) just placed my life on the line.

When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I don't know. But I do know, if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog. No offense, Libby.

How passionately Jesus wants us to know him and his willingness to die for us! This week he says, **"I know my own and my own know me,"** and **"I lay down my life for the sheep."** Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code. In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down his life for you and me — and he has taken it up again. So often we are like Libby — blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and his saving love. This Easter season, the risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about his love. He never ceases to lay down his life for us.

— Father John Muir

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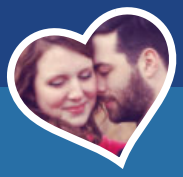
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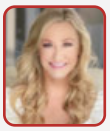
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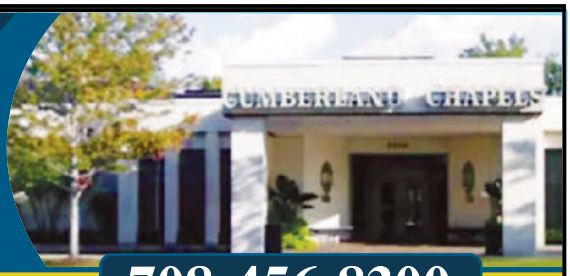
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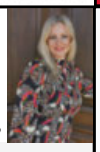
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