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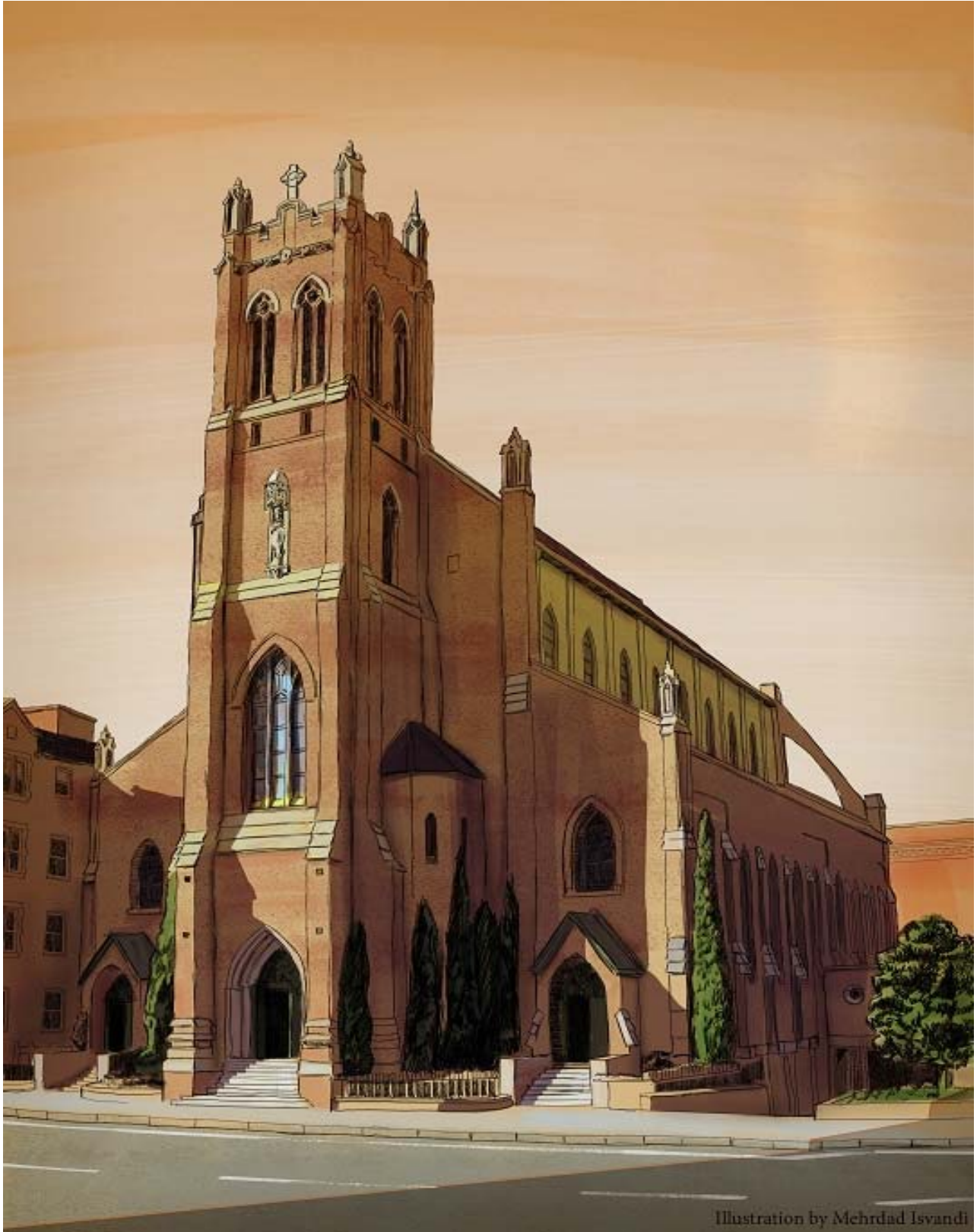
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April 26, 2026 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

*He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin,
we might live for righteousness. ~ 1 Peter 2:24a*



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Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:15 p.m.
 Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m. *Vigil Mass*
 Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 5:15 p.m.
 Tagalog Mass: 1st Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
 Family Mass: 2nd Sunday at 12:00 p.m.
 Charismatic & Healing Mass: 3rd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Parish Schedule

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday
 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (in the church)

Monday through Friday
 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Every Tuesday after the 12:00 p.m. Mass

Sacred Heart

First Friday of the month at 4:00 p.m..

Sto. Niño Devotion

Every Friday after the 12:00 p.m. Mass

Our Lady of Fatima

First Saturday of the month at 11:30 a.m.

Patrician Meeting

Join us this Sunday for the monthly Patrician Meeting, a Catholic discussion group sponsored by the Legion of Mary. This month's topic is...

The Divine Mercy

Speaker ~ Judy Labaria

Date ~ Sunday, April 26, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.

McKenna Hall

Catholic Prayer Corner

Prayer at the End of the Day

Protect us, Lord, as we stay awake;
 watch over us as we sleep,
 that awake, we may keep watch with Christ,
 and asleep, rest in his peace.

Damaged Blessed Items

If you have any damaged blessed items, including statues and Bibles, as well as sacramentals, such as crucifixes and rosaries, please feel free to drop them off in our gift shop. We'll make sure they are disposed of properly and respectfully.

Our Protector

Today's readings invite us to recognize our need for one who ensures our safety, nourishes us, and leads us to peace and security, like sheep who rest in the care of a good shepherd. Such a shepherd will protect and save the sheep, even from the most deadly of predators. Today, we ponder the incredible news that Jesus accepted death on the cross in order to open the gates of eternal life with God for us. Through his resurrection, Jesus protects and saves us from the power of sin and death. We need only accept his love and live as God's people in this life, relying on the Lord who is the door to new life for us and for all.

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Our Fascinating Faith

Vocations

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, tells us that he calls his own sheep by name and those sheep respond by following him. Unlike the early disciples, we do not have the benefit of hearing the Lord Jesus call us by name. Or do we? Through the centuries countless men, women, and children have responded to the call of the Lord and dedicated their lives to ministering to God's people. How often have we heard the phrase, "he or she 'has the calling' "? We need look no further than our own parish to find ways that the call of the Lord is manifested. The Lord Jesus is constantly calling out to us through the celebration of the sacramental life, through the proclamation of the living word, and through the example of those who have put on Christ in Baptism. Today the Lord Jesus, the Good Shepherd, speaks to each one of us, the sheep of his flock. Let us listen for the call to follow him as his disciples. And on this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us pray for others, as well, to hear and heed whatever God is calling them to do with their life as a baptized Christian.

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World Day of Prayer for Vocations



Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is a special celebration of *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. The world-wide Church honors all Christian vocations. Jesus gives his life for us that we might know fullness of life. We pray for openness to God's call and to accept the gift of our Christian vocation. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is with us to guide and protect us on our life journey.

AAA Update

(as of 14 April 2026)

2026 AAA Goal	\$43,252.00
Received	\$10,237.00
Amount Remaining	\$33,015.00
% of Goal	24%

Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday to our Parishioners celebrating a birthday this week.

Anthony Grue	4/27	Tita Labaria	4/28
Arisha Real	4/27	Carlito Pantig	4/26
Jenica Sunga	4/27	Mary Grace Guarin	4/30

St. Patrick Church Lifetime Donors

You can still make a donation by going to our parish website: www.stpatricksf.org. On our homepage scroll down and click Online Giving. Create an account if you don't have one. Once you have created an account, please choose the Lifetime Donor option. We are asking a Lifetime Donor to donate a minimum of \$20 a week or \$80 a month. Your privacy and financial information are safe with us. And we recommend that you use your credit card for an easier and faster transaction.

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We have 86 Lifetime Donors as of 28 January 2026

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St. Patrick 175th Anniversary Gala

From humble beginnings on 4th St here in San Francisco way back in 1851, we will be celebrating our 175th anniversary as a parish on June 6, 2026.

Dinner tickets for \$100 may still be available from the various parish organizations

Raffle tickets are still available from the parish office (\$25 for a booklet of three, sold as booklets only)

Sponsorships are also available in our Gala program. Please contact the parish office for more details.

As part of our Gala celebration, on Sunday, May 31st, we will serve coffee and donuts after the 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses which will coincide with our ministry fair. Come and see what's going on ministry-wise at St. Patrick. You just might find something that will inspire you to join. See some old friends, make some new friends, have some coffee and donuts, and maybe join a parish organization. What could be better than that!!

Feast of Faith

The General Intercessions

The general intercessions were restored to the liturgy in the reforms that followed the Second Vatican Council. In these prayers—also known as the “universal prayer” or “prayer of the faithful”—the assembly prays for the Church, the world, and the local community. As the name “prayer of the faithful” reminds us, these intercessions are a privilege of the baptized, which is why any catechumens are dismissed before the Creed and the intercessions. In baptism, we become members of a royal priesthood, and what do priests do? They intercede; they pray. In standing to pray to God as a community, we are living out our royal priesthood.

The intercessions at Mass usually follow a clear pattern, moving from general to specific needs. We pray for the whole Church. We pray for the world and for our nation. We pray for our local community, for those who have died and for all the sick and afflicted. In our united prayer, we reach beyond ourselves and our own needs and grow in awareness of and compassion for the needs of others.

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St. Catherine of Siena

(1347-1380)

April 29

Imagine the pope receiving a young woman still in her twenties who addresses him as “my sweet Christ on earth,” then orders: “Get back to Rome where you belong!” Amazingly, Gregory XI complied! Yet this was but one astonishing incident in the extraordinary life of Catherine of Siena, a truly unique medieval woman. Youngest of twenty-five children, Catherine refused marriage and became a Dominican Tertiary at sixteen, cloistering herself at home in contemplative prayer, austere penances, and mystical experiences, culminating in “spiritual espousal” to Christ. Then, incarnating the Dominican ideal of “passing on to others the fruits of contemplation,” Catherine left her solitude to care for the poor, nurse the sick, comfort the dying, and bury the dead. Increasingly renowned for converting souls and healing bodies, she was sought after to broker peace during civil wars and Church schisms. All this, and like Jesus, whom she called “my Divine Spouse,” she died at thirty-three! Four hundred letters and her spiritual classic *The Dialogue* inspired Paul VI to name her, together with Teresa of Ávila, the first women Doctors of the Church.

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Mass Intentions for Apr 26 - May 02

Date	Time	Intention
Sunday 26	7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Apolonia Abalos Ventayen TG Rene & Elena Delos Santos TG Stephen Sun SI All Parishioners of St. Patrick
Monday 27	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Wilfredo Berdon † Lourdes Villanueva SI Dan & Katya Coming
Tuesday 28	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Wilfredo Berdon BD Arnel A. Maghari SI Thelma Dancel
Wednesday 29	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† William Cotter, Jr. † Raymond Mandigma SI Evangeline Viray Deleon
Thursday 30	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	BD Carolyn Cua † Mariano & Crisanta Arcilla SI Brian Dela Pena
Friday 01	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Marilyn & Lorenzo Sumulong SI Precious & Ryan Tizon SI Jeff & Nenette Murata
Saturday 02	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Jesus & Helen Delos Santos † Poor Souls In Purgatory SI Vilma Nangca

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese of San Francisco

May 19 (5:00 pm PT) / May 21 (8:00 pm PT) An evening for the separated or divorced webinar with Carolyn Klika, co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of SF. Struggling with the pain of marital strife, separation or divorce? this Evening is for you. Whether you feel disconnected from the Church or are deeply engaged—you are welcome here. You belong. More information and registration here. Sessions will be offered twice, once (5/19) on East Coast time, once (5/21) for West Coast.

June 29 – July 5 CANA Week is a wonderful 6-day retreat for couples at St. Anthony Retreat near Sequoia National Park in California. Kids are welcome! Take time away to strengthen your marriage and deepen your spiritual life, while your kids have a great time with new friends in their own parallel program. The week includes teachings, prayer, daily mass, and time together as a couple and as a family. There is plenty of fun, relaxation, and celebration, all in an ecumenical context. Register here, or email questions to info@canausa.org

Counting Sheep

Every person can tell how many goats or sheep one possesses, but not how many friends.

~ Cicero

Stop Counting Sheep

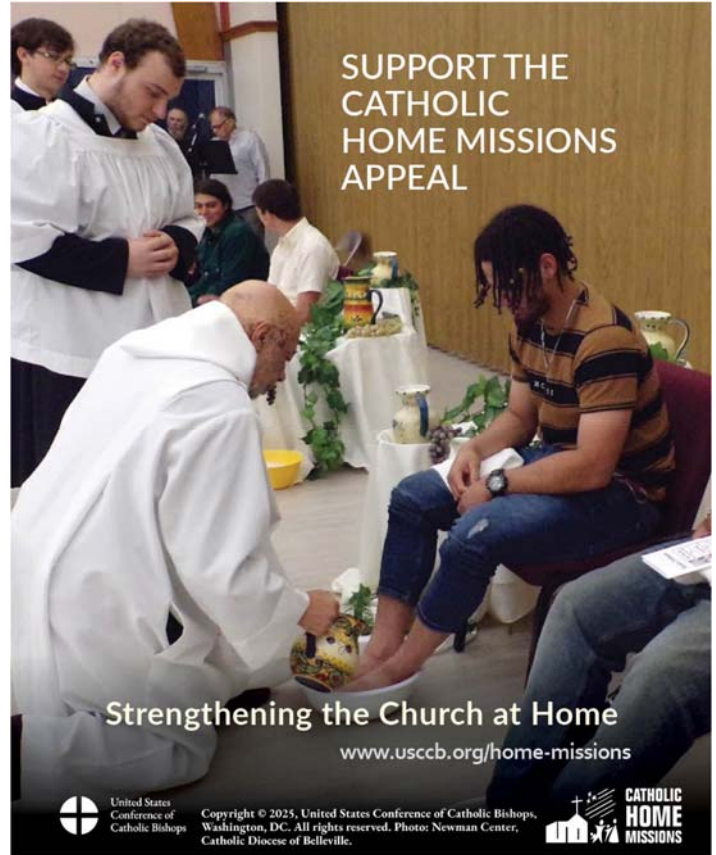
When at night you cannot sleep, talk to the Shepherd and stop counting sheep.

~ Anonymous

Special Collection This Sunday

This week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at

www.usccb.org/home-missions.



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The God Squad Catholic TV Mass

The God Squad Catholic TV Mass, aired every Sunday, provides inclusion for those who are homebound, hospitalized, incarcerated and/or unable to attend Sunday Mass. Monsignor Harry Schlitt began broadcasting the TV Mass in the late 1970s and it has been airing ever since. Please watch the TV Mass on Sunday mornings on the following stations:

In San Francisco

KTSF (CH 26) at 6:00 a.m.; KRON (CH 4) at 5:30 a.m.;

and in Sacramento

KTXL (Fox 40) at 5:30 a.m.

You may also view the Mass at any time by going to FatherHarry.org. You may also find the program beneficial to you, someone in your family, or a friend.

We need your participation and support to continue this valuable ministry.

Much-Needed Love

No one needs love more than someone who doesn't deserve it.

~ Anonymous

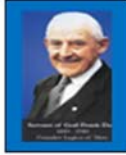
LEGION OF MARY - ST. PATRICK CHURCH

JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY, OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL **PRÆSIDIUM**



Meeting - Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in Bitanga Hall

The Legion Family Worldwide
On all continents
In over 170 countries
4 million active members
5 million auxiliary members



The Founder Frank Duff
1889 - 1980

Legion of Mary's History

The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin, Ireland on the 7th of September in 1921.

It is a lay Catholic organization giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country.

Legion of Mary's Aim

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's works.

Legion of Mary's Unit

The unit of a Legion of Mary is called a praesidium, which holds a weekly meeting where prayer is intermingled with reports and discussions. Persons who wish to join the Legion must apply for membership in a praesidium.

Legion of Mary's Active Works

The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of everyone. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in homes and hospitals and through collaboration in every apostolate and missionary undertakings sponsored by the parish. The works are more of spiritual works of mercy.

Legion of Mary's Active Membership

This membership is open to all faithfully practicing Catholics. Members attend weekly meetings and engage in prayers and active works. Candidates under 18 years of age can be received in a Junior Praesidium.

Letters from Heaven

Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus said, "I came so that they might have life and have ..."

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| _____ " .

Answer: *it more abundantly.*

saint snippets

If you put all the love of all the mothers into one heart, it still would not equal the love of the Heart of Mary for her children.

April 28

St. Louis de Montfort
18th-century French priest and preacher known for his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the rosary.

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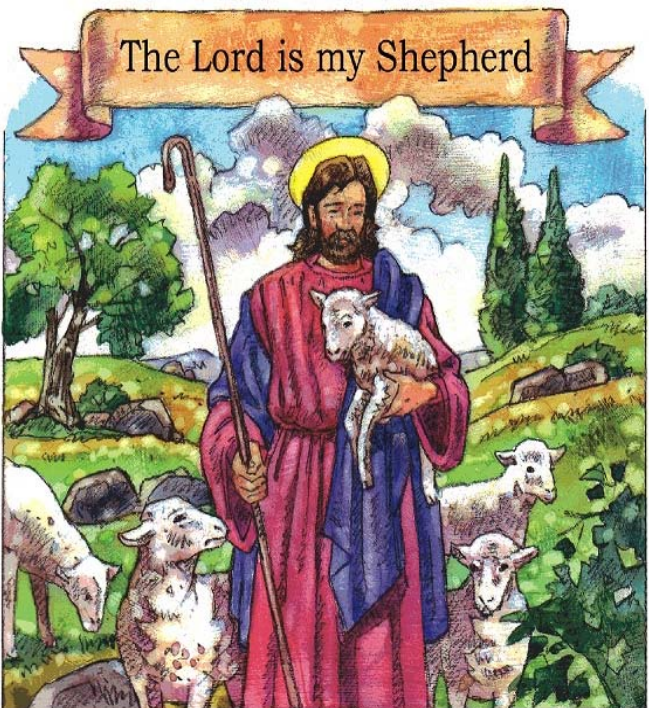
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Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire.

April 29

St. Catherine of Siena
Dominican theologian who had great influence in the Church in the 14th century, patroness of fire prevention and of those ridiculed for their faith.

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CATHOLIC CORNER

ALL OUR MOTHERS

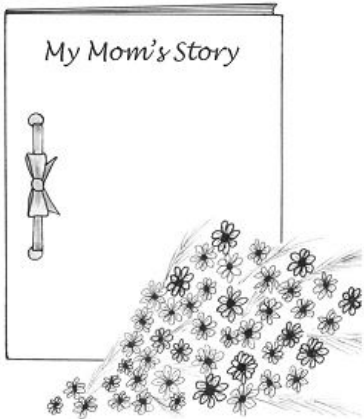
Next Sunday we will celebrate Mother's Day. Different professions, such as lawyers and bakers, have patron saints. Patron saints are people who showed an exceptional quality or performed a notable activity that leads us to consider them a special protector or guardian in certain areas of life. St. Monica, St. Ann, and St. Elizabeth are just a few of the patron saints and protectors of mothers.

St. Monica was the mother of another important saint, St. Augustine. Monica was a devoted Christian but Augustine was not, so Monica prayed for her son every day and asked God to help him become a faithful follower of Jesus. Your mother probably prays for you, too. St. Monica's feast is on August 27, the day before St. Augustine's.

St. Ann was the mother of Mary, our Blessed Mother. We don't know much about Ann, only what has come to us through tradition. But Mary must have learned how to pray, love others, and be compassionate from her parents. You learn some of these same things from your mother. We celebrate Ann's feast, together with her husband, Joachim, on July 26.

St. Elizabeth was the mother of John the Baptist. Her son, an important prophet, prepared the way for Jesus. We read about her at the beginning of the Gospel of Luke. Your mother may be teaching you how to share what you know about Jesus with others. Elizabeth's feast, together with her husband, Zechariah, is celebrated on November 5.

These are saints in heaven, and some people, like your mother, are saints in the making. What sort of story would you write about your mother? It should include all the things your mother does for you because she loves you. She might do some of the same things Mary, Ann, and Elizabeth did for their children. Give the story to your mother along with whatever other presents you are preparing for her. Your words might be the most special gift.

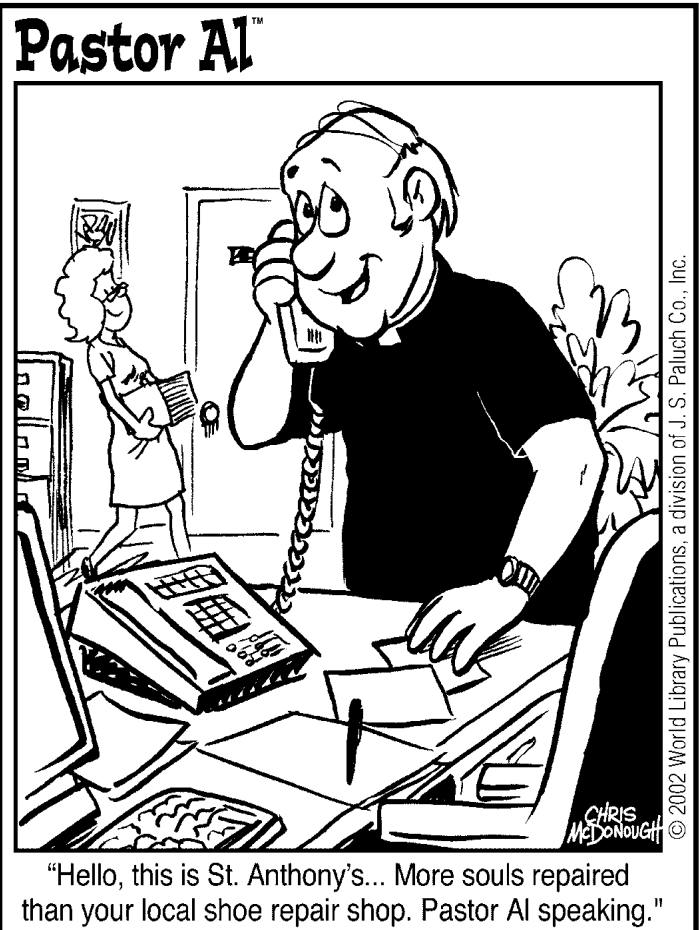
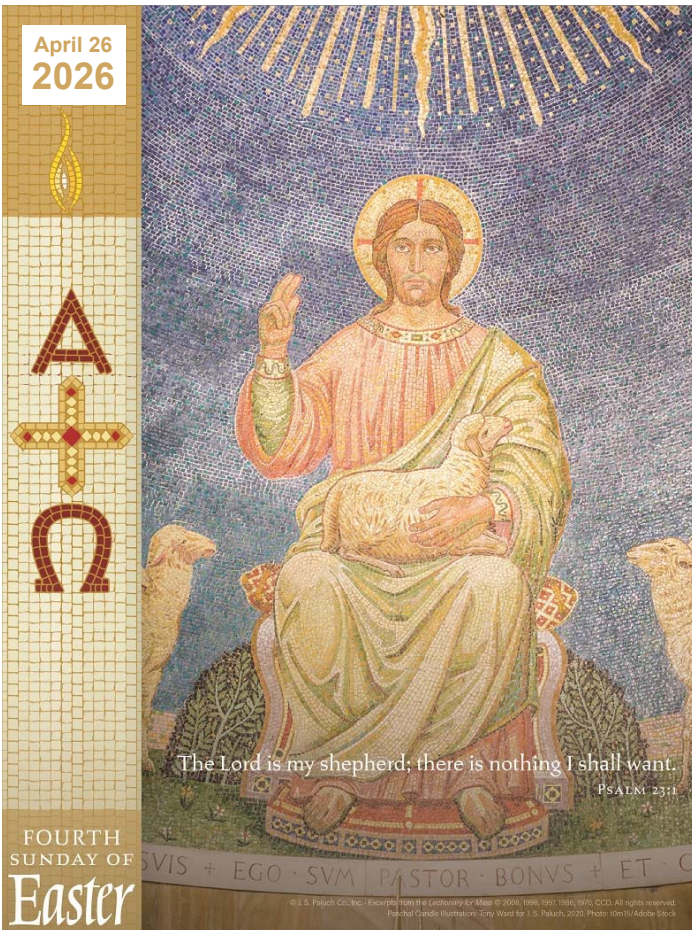


The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Jesus said: "The sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice. But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers." Jn 10:4-5



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Shepherd

The image of the good shepherd has always been with the Church. Pictures of the Good Shepherd crowd our imagination. From childhood on, we can remember a thousand pictures of the same Good Shepherd. The sheep are content and snow white. A lamb rides aloft the kindly and gentle shepherd's shoulder. This image comforts, sustains, and calms. Year in and year out, the Church celebrates Jesus as the Good Shepherd on this Fourth Sunday of Easter. It's a rich image worth our careful meditation.

Comment

Peter's first miracle got him in trouble. As leader of the early Church, he learned firsthand that his life would follow that of his master. A small introduction to today's first reading is in order: Peter's cure of the invalid who asked for money set the onlookers abuzz. Word spread rapidly, and Peter was unceremoniously thrown into jail, and the following day, he was brought before the elders and scribes. He was ordered to explain himself, his words, his actions, and the belief of those he led and served. This was his chance to justify himself and his fledgling community.

But Peter did not justify anything. He simply proclaimed his belief and suggested to the skeptical if not cynical listeners that they also accept this rejected one, Jesus Christ the Nazorean "whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead." Peter's words and eventually his actions witnessed his faith. Peter spoke fearlessly of Jesus who, like a good shepherd, laid down his life for his sheep.

The Gospel reading for this "Good Shepherd Sunday" also follows upon a cure. Jesus cured the man born blind, and for this he was questioned severely by the Pharisees. Jesus' discourse on the good shepherd describes his relationship to the man born blind and to us—all of us, Pharisees included.

It is interesting to note that Jesus uses the image of a shepherd. In Israel's history, shepherds were held in high enough regard. After all, the great king, David, was a shepherd. But now in Israel, shepherds were outsiders. Their consuming occupation kept them outside, literally and figuratively. They were outside in all kinds of weather, and they were also outside the law, in that they were unable to obey its ever-demanding rigors. In the eyes of the harsh rule-makers, the shepherds were among those stones rejected by the builder, cast onto the rubble heap.

Reflection

Jesus uses these outsider shepherds as a new image of redemption. Jesus is not talking about the shepherd as such or the sheep as such, but about the relationship between the shepherd and sheep. Clearly the phony shepherd will flee at the first sight of trouble. And one can safely wager that most shepherds would not be inclined to die for a sheep, but would write the animal off as a loss and one of the costs of doing business in a harsh terrain.

But the good shepherd differs dramatically; he will go so far as to lay down his life for his sheep—an unheard-of claim. The current religious leaders of Israel clearly wouldn't do this; rather they seem to harangue their followers.

In Israel at Jesus' time, shepherds tended relatively small flocks and knew their sheep by name, knew their markings and temperaments. The good shepherd knows his own more intimately than this. He knows them the way the Father knows Jesus. The depth of intimacy between leader and follower is the same as the intimacy between Father and Son. And that intimacy can include everyone on earth.

During this Eastertide, we reflect more deeply on the Resurrection. The leader has laid down his life for the led. He has done so freely for our sake. He has laid down his life willingly and taken up his risen life gladly.

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Heaven

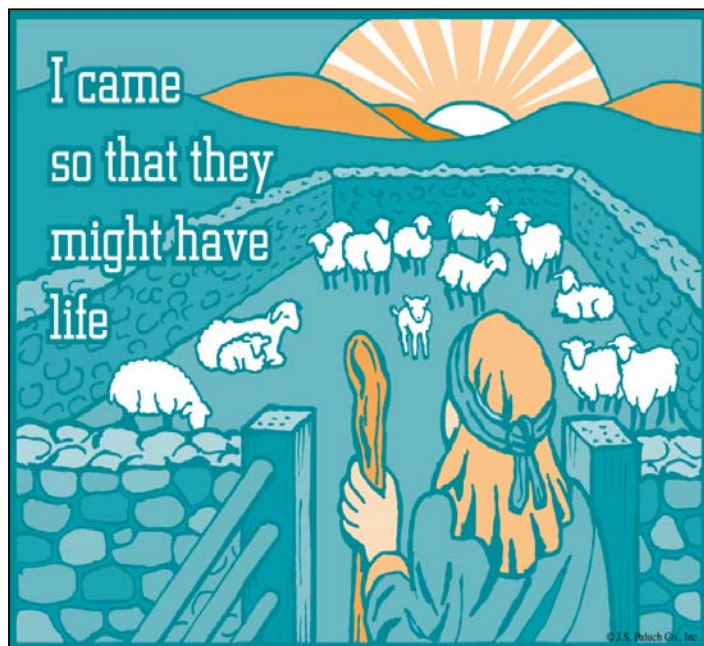
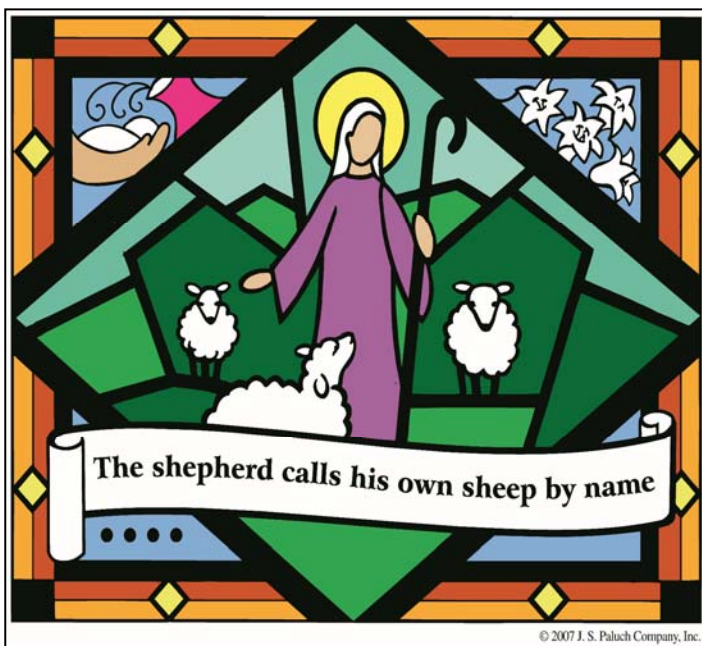
The goal of religion is not to get us into heaven—but to get heaven into us.

~ Anonymous

Trust

Blessed are they who place themselves in the hands of Jesus. He will place himself in their hands.

~ Anonymous



World Day of Prayer For Vocations

Pope Paul VI instituted the World Day of Prayer for Vocations (*the 4th Sunday of Easter*) on 11 April 1964 by saying: **“O Jesus, divine Shepherd of the spirit, you have called the Apostles in order to make them fishermen of men, you still attract to you burning spirits and generous young people, in order to render them your followers and ministers to us”**

(Pope Paul VI

launching the 1st World Day of Prayer for Vocations)

Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is a special day for everyone in our parish. As we celebrate *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*, we ask that we may be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit as we carry on the mission of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. Let us pray for one another that we may be strengthened in our Christian vocations as married and single people, priests, deacons, and religious. May our youth listen to God’s call and be encouraged to respond generously.

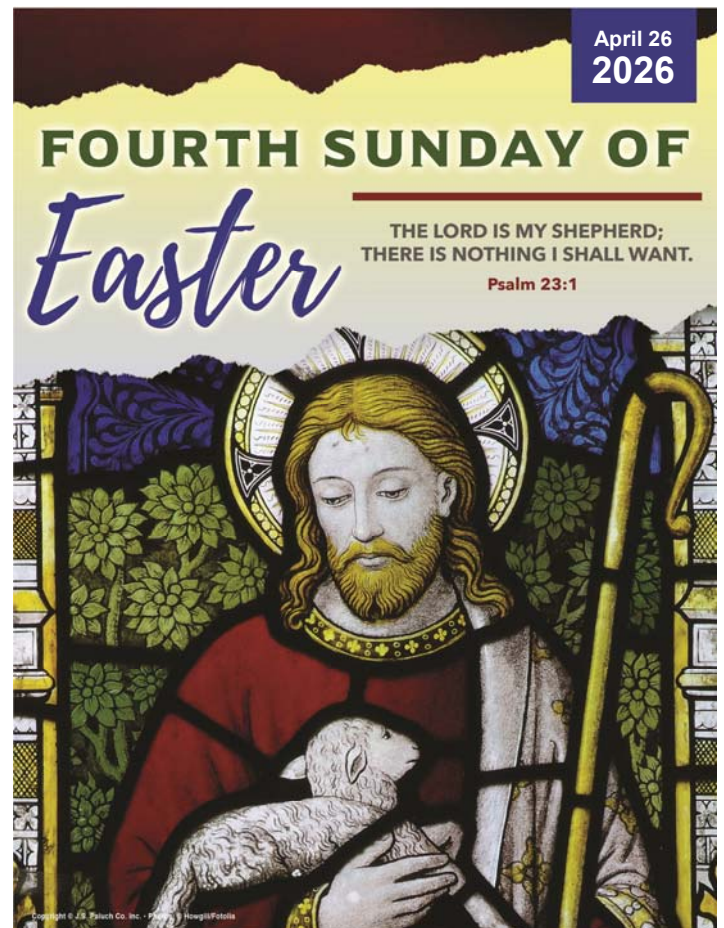
A Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament for the Increase of Priestly & Religious Vocations

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Eternal Father, Son of the Virgin Mary, we thank you for offering your life in sacrifice on the Cross, and for renewing this sacrifice in every Mass celebrated throughout the world. In the power of the Holy Spirit we adore you and proclaim your living presence in the Eucharist. We desire to imitate the love you show us in your death and resurrection, by loving and serving one another. We ask you to call many young people to religious life, and to provide the holy and generous priests that are so needed in your Church today. Lord Jesus, hear our prayer Amen.

~ Justin Cardinal Rigali



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Christ the Good Shepherd



I am the good shepherd. I know my own—by which I mean, I love them—and my own know me. In plain words: those who love me are willing to follow me, for anyone who does not love the truth has not yet come to know it.

My dear brethren, you have heard the test we pastors have to undergo. Turn now to consider how these words of our Lord imply a test for yourselves also. Ask yourselves whether you belong to his flock, whether you know him, whether the light of his truth shines in your minds. I assure you that it is not by faith that you will come to know him, but by love; not by mere conviction, but by action. John the evangelist is my authority for this statement. He tells us that *anyone who claims to know God without keeping his commandments is a liar.*

Consequently, the Lord immediately adds: *As the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.* Clearly he means that laying down his life for his sheep gives evidence of his knowledge of the Father and the Father's knowledge of him. In other words, by the love with which he dies for his sheep he shows how greatly he loves his Father.

Again he says: *My sheep hear my voice, and I know them; they follow me, and I give them eternal life.* Shortly before this he had declared: *If anyone enters the sheepfold through me he shall be saved; he shall go freely in and out and shall find good pasture.* He will enter into a life of faith; from faith he will go out to vision, from belief to contemplation, and will graze in the good pastures of everlasting life.

So our Lord's sheep will finally reach their grazing ground where all who follow him in simplicity of heart will feed on the green pastures of eternity. These pastures are the spiritual joys of heaven. There the elect look upon the face of God with unclouded vision and feast at the banquet of life for ever more.

Beloved brothers, let us set out for these pastures where we shall keep joyful festival with so many of our fellow citizens. May the thought of their happiness urge us on! Let us stir up our hearts, rekindle our faith and long eagerly for what heaven has in store for us. To love thus is to be already on our way. No matter what obstacles we encounter, we must not allow them to turn us aside from the joy of the heavenly feast. Anyone who is determined to reach his destination is not deterred by the roughness of the road that leads to it. Nor must we allow the charm of success to seduce us, or we shall be like a foolish traveler who is so distracted by the pleasant meadows through which he is passing that he forgets where he is going.

*From a homily on the Gospels
by Saint Gregory the Great, pope*

Living Stewardship Now

Write short notes to parish clergy and diocesan bishops thanking them for all that they do in service to God's people. Speak up on matters of importance to your parish or diocese. Pray for vocations to the priesthood and permanent diaconate. Contribute to the support of a seminarian. Join a Serra Club.

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Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.

~ St. Francis of Assisi

St. Joseph



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In Need of a Shepherd

For a while it was very fashionable to own pigs as pets. The publicity surrounding these creatures informed us that they were—contrary to their popular image—very clean animals, and also quite smart. Sad to say, sheep will most likely never enjoy this sort of domestic vogue. They are neither clean nor smart and are largely defenseless when left on their own, even in large numbers. The biblical image of us as the flock of sheep is not a particularly flattering one. Sheep without a shepherd are truly sad, because they most likely will perish either from their inability to fend for themselves or from their lack of defenses against predators. Placing ourselves in the heart of this unflattering image can reinforce our faith. Until we come to a profound realization of how much we need a shepherd, we cannot appreciate how deeply blessed we are to have been given a Shepherd, one who laid down his life for us and was raised to life eternal in the Spirit, so he might guide us and we might follow him in faith forever.

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Treasures From Our Tradition

Especially during the Easter season, we are very conscious of the communal nature of baptism. We stand witness to the baptism of adults at the Easter Vigil in many parishes, and countless parishes celebrate festive baptisms for infants. The rule for celebrating baptism is that it be only once a day in any parish church, a sign of the Church's desire that baptism be the work of the gathered community. "Private baptism" is therefore a misnomer, since all baptisms, even emergency baptisms for infants in danger of death, are a public act of entrance in to the Body of Christ, the Church.

In an emergency, and providing the parents desire it, anyone can baptize by pouring water and saying, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." But then afterward the Church is encouraged to supply what is missing: the gathered assembly to proclaim and hear God's word, the promises, the naming, the anointings, the clothing with a white garment, the candle, the Lord's Prayer, and the solemn blessing of the parents at the altar. Wonderfully, this ritual often provides the opportunity for great rejoicing at the recovery of an infant who had been in danger.

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The Call of the Good Shepherd

The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff / that give me courage" (Psalm 23:4) connects this week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

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The fact that many monastic churches do not have a prominent tabernacle shapes the patterns of liturgical prayer. Monastic communities often protect the ancient value of "receiving from the same sacrifice," meaning that the communicants are assured that what they eat and drink in the Holy Mysteries actually comes from the same celebration. It surprises many to learn that the Church does not foresee, nor does it provide for, Communion of the faithful from the reserved Sacrament. Liturgical laws have long defended your right to receive from the same sacrifice, the same Mass, that you attend.

At one time, of course, the bread for the Eucharist was the ordinary bread of the day, except unleavened, probably prepared at home. It was broken and distributed to the faithful. Early on the loaf itself was referred to as the *hostia* in Latin, meaning the "sacrifice," the same word for the sacrificial animal in Jewish worship, and for Jesus as the Lamb of God. By giving his life on the cross, Jesus became the *hostia* for us. To this day in the Greek Church, one of the tasks of the priest's wife is to bake the bread for the Divine Liturgy, sometimes in a bakery oven dedicated to that purpose and called a "Bethlehem."

Today's familiar individual hosts first appeared in the eleventh century at about the time when tabernacles were coming into use. The turn away from "bread" allowed the hosts to be reserved since they did not spoil like regular bread, and made the annual "Easter duty" counts easier.

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Living God's Word

Jesus not only searches us out, but he "bore our sins in his body upon the cross so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness" (1 Peter 2:24). We praise the Father for giving us Jesus as "the shepherd and guardian of our souls" and we pray for all who minister to God's people (2:25).

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

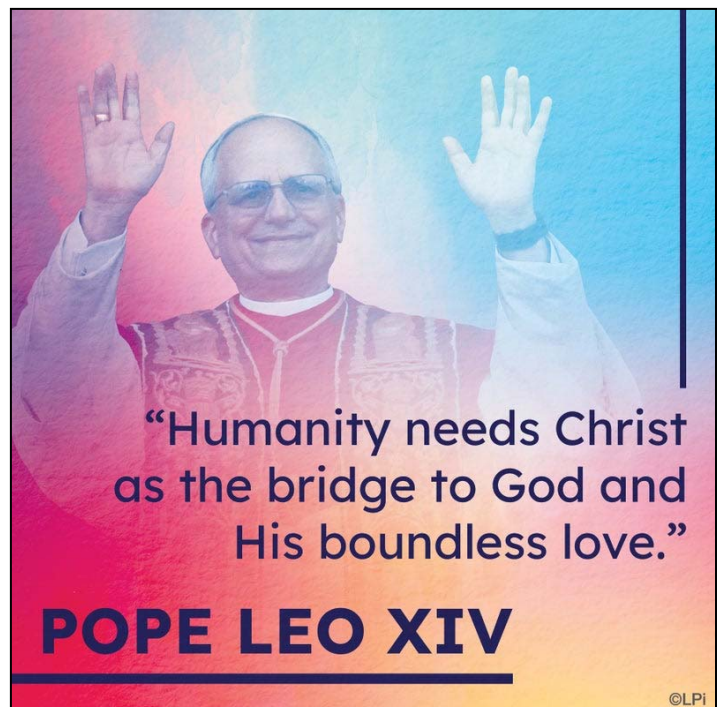
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He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

~ 1 Peter 2:24a

Communion in the Home

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Today's readings tell about the confusion and fear that followed Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. In Acts, the people ask, "What are we to do?" after they are reminded that they were part of the death of Jesus, who was Lord and Christ. In First Peter we are reminded of Jesus' innocence. He did nothing to deserve the suffering and death that he experienced for us. Both the psalm and First Peter introduce the image of Jesus as shepherd. John's Gospel talks about Jesus as shepherd but not in the usual way. We recognize this shepherd's voice because he calls each of us by name. The confusion and fear we too often feel is calmed by the voice of the One who knows us by name.

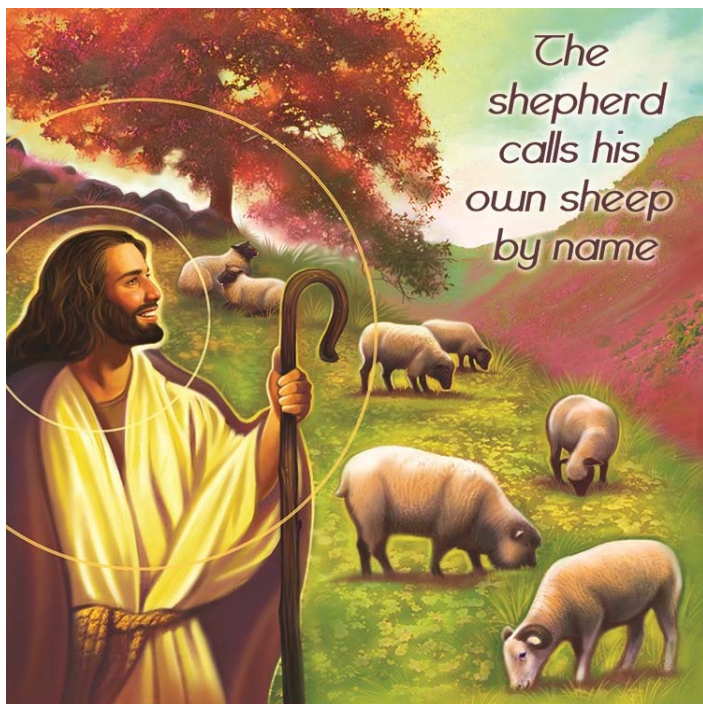
What Are We to Do?

The readings describe that time when confused and frightened followers of Jesus looked to the apostles to tell them what to do after the Crucifixion and Resurrection. The answer seems simple. They must believe that Jesus, whom they crucified, is both Lord and Christ, both God and human. They must acknowledge their complicity in his death and seek forgiveness. They must be baptized. In First Peter the standard for their behavior is Jesus' behavior. Jesus, though free from sin himself, bore our sins and returned no insult or threat. Peter introduces the image of the shepherd who is the guardian of us who have gone astray. The Gospel emphasizes not the shepherd's leadership but that we are called by name.

Listen for Your Name

The emphasis in John's Gospel is not on the leadership of the shepherd. The focus is specifically on the voice of the shepherd. We listen for the shepherd who calls us by name. We are not called to follow passively. We are called to recognize our name when it is spoken. We are to listen so that we can hear the voice of the One who knows who we truly are—not the external, transient realities like "I am a doctor" or "I am a mother." Our real name known to our Creator is much more than the roles we fill or the work we do. If my name is who I truly am, then I must listen for the One who calls me "forgiven" and "merciful" and "beloved." For this is my true name. This is my true nature.

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A Lot of Nerve

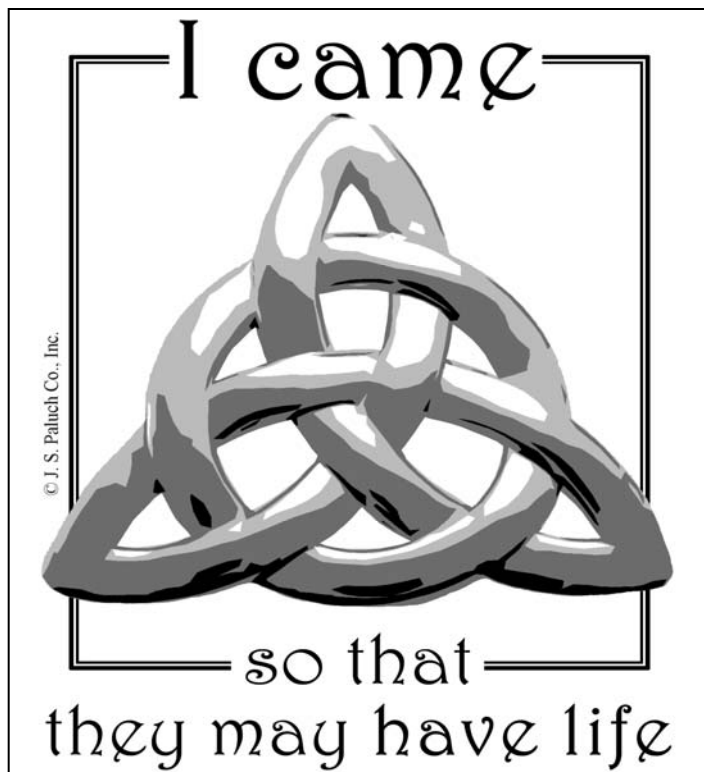


The first reading from Acts of the Apostles takes place right after the disciples received the gifts of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Peter, the apostle who had denied knowing Jesus before he died, now comes out and accuses the crowd of killing Jesus, "using lawless men to crucify him" (Acts 2:23). Considering that he was outnumbered three thousand to one, it took a lot of nerve. So the Spirit gave him the courage to face that crowd. But he did more than just stand up to the people. He offered them forgiveness and hope. He asked them to repent, but not just profess a rejection of sin. What we call repentance, in Peter's time meant a change of heart away from sin and toward a new way of acting or believing. He offered them the same gift of the Spirit that he and the disciples had received. As Peter says in our second reading, "free from sin, [they] might live for righteousness" (1 Peter 2:24). We too can make a change of heart. We can turn away from selfishness and begin to love as Jesus did. We can relinquish anger and begin to forgive. We can put aside fear and boldly proclaim our faith.

Peter also shows us another gift of the Spirit—the ability to suffer for doing good. That also takes a lot of nerve. It's hard enough to suffer for our sins; who wants to suffer for doing good? Yet that is just what Jesus did for us. It is what all disciples are called to do. Following the example of Jesus on the cross, we accept the suffering that comes to us. It may be ridiculous for expressing our faith, the pain of losing someone we love, or the eventual pain of dying ourselves. We accept pain because we love the Lord and so love others enough to bear the pain of helping them.

As Jesus became flesh through the power of the Holy Spirit, so the same Spirit shows us that Jesus is present today in his disciples, in the poor, the homeless, the sick and dying. Let us ask the Spirit to help us repent from selfishness to a new life of love for God and our neighbor.

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Following the Good Shepherd

The joyful tone of the past three Sundays of Easter is a little darker today. All three readings remind us of suffering, death, and sin. We, like Peter's audience in the first reading, can ask, "What are we to do?" And the answer will be the same: we must reform. Or, as Peter says in his first Letter, we have strayed like sheep and must return to the shepherd.

Jesus describes himself as a shepherd in today's Gospel, and we know it was one of the earliest images of Christ in the apostolic church. Today's passage continues the darker theme of the first two readings. Danger lurks and the sheep need protection. They might follow a false leader; they might be stolen or destroyed. Only in Jesus Christ will we be safe. Only in him will we have eternal life.

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Reflecting on God's Word

At the end of the day, shepherds would bring their sheep to a common sheepfold, leading them through a gate that was guarded during the night. Shepherds would give names to their sheep and call to them when daylight came, leading them back out to pasture. Because the sheep recognized the shepherd's voice there was no mix-up with sheep that belonged to others.

The idea that shepherds had a name for each of their sheep brings home the difference between a good shepherd and a stranger. The good shepherd was concerned not only for the flock but for each sheep in it. He knew them and they knew him. "They will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers" (John 10:5).

There are two words in Greek for "good"—*agathos* and *kalos*. *Agathos* refers to moral goodness, as in being a "good person." *Kalos* refers to being "good at" something. Certainly Jesus is the Good Shepherd in both senses, but the word used here is *kalos*, emphasizing his being "good at" shepherding.

Jesus knows his sheep by name, leads them to safety when darkness falls, and returns them to pasture. He was willing to lay down his life for them. Most comforting of all, he came then and comes now so we might have life and have it more abundantly. This image challenges all who have been called to be shepherds in today's church, to be good shepherds and to be good at shepherding.

~ James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

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Treasures From Our Tradition

Every rectory office has received a panicked phone call from a person who has been invited to serve as a godparent, or from someone newly engaged, who suddenly "needs to get confirmed." While the lack of confirmation is not an obstacle for marriage, it is for godparenting. Many are surprised that the Church seems to be looking for a kind of sacramental "seal" on one's baptism before the door opens fully to this ministry. Yet if you think about it, would you want someone to guide you to a place that he or she had not yet been? A godparent has to be someone who has "been there" and knows the way.

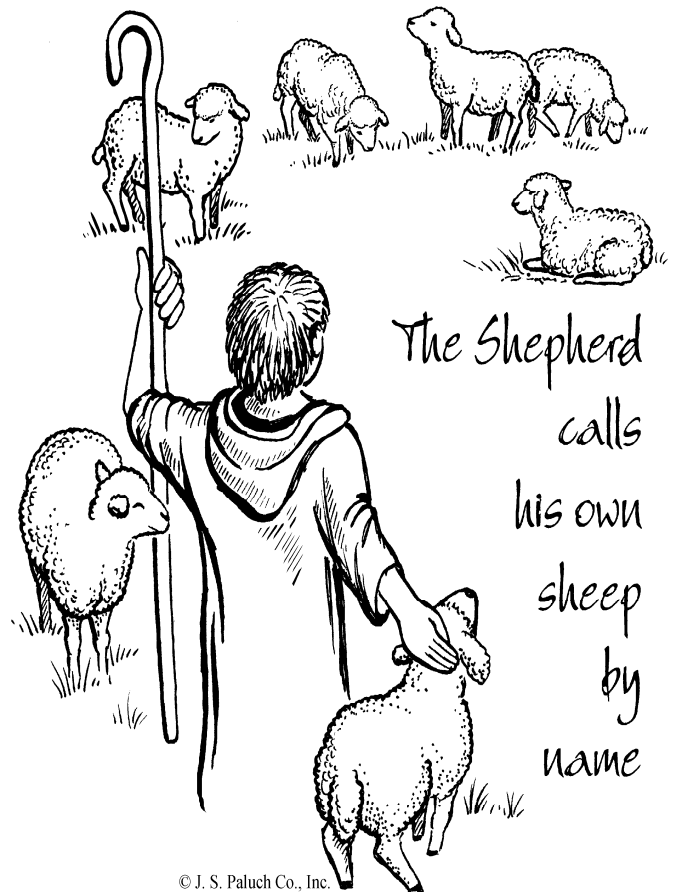
Although signet rings and wax seals have passed from use, our society depends on "seals of approval" ranging from certificates of quality to the familiar safety seals on medicines and foods. While Eucharist is the "seal" of the sacrament of baptism, there is a sense in which one's Christian initiation is also incomplete without confirmation. Have you been confirmed? Perhaps it's time to inquire now, before you have to make that dreaded phone call!

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Not until the thirteenth century do we find a mention of a locked tabernacle. There's some evidence for eucharistic towers also, but often these were in an obscure corner of the church, or even in the off-limits sacristy. Many of us grew up "making visits" to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, but it's clear this would raise some medieval eyebrows in confusion! To the present day, the Eucharist is always reserved only in a side chapel in many cathedrals. The principal focus in a cathedral is always on the altar, symbol of Christ, and on the cathedra, symbol of the pastoral ministry of the bishop.

In your parish church there is probably a "sanctuary lamp," a permanently lit candle or oil lamp indicating the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Sometimes it's in a red glass, not for any particular reason except that it's easy to find. There is a story of a bishop missioned to Papua New Guinea who was distressed to find no sanctuary lamps burning in his new diocese. The people patiently explained that their churches were woven of grass, and that they decided to place a chief's standard, a trident, in front of the tabernacle. That was a sign in their culture that the "chief" was at home, like raising the flag over Buckingham Palace. The bishop, an Irish import, didn't appreciate the British reference, so he ordered the candles back. The first church to burn to the ground was the cathedral, and after two more, the chief's tridents returned.

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That's Not Me

I will never forget my very first day of school. In those days, class sizes in Catholic grammar schools were quite large; my first grade class had fifty-two students. Our teacher made large name tags for each of us to wear that first day. Unfortunately, my name tag read "Edward Gallagher." This is not my name. When I saw this, I tried to protest, "Sister, that's not my . . ." She immediately responded, "Now, Edward, there will be no talking back to Sister." I tried again, "But Sister . . ." Her hands more than full with fifty-two of us, there apparently just wasn't time for this conversation. So, I went through my first day of school named someone I was not. I will never forget my mother's face as she stood on the front porch ready to welcome her first-born son home from his first day of school. She took one look at "Edward Gallagher," frowned, and immediately went to the phone to straighten things out with the school.

Called By Name

This early life experience taught me much about the value and importance of my name. In today's Gospel we hear the Lord Jesus tell his followers that sheep learn to recognize the voice of the shepherd. They will not follow a stranger's voice. In the Rite of Baptism, the very first question put to the parents is, "What name do you give your child?" And just before the words "I baptize you . . ." the priest or deacon calls the one to be baptized by name. In a sense, we learn to hear our name called by God from the moment of our rebirth in the waters of baptism. This is the root of all vocational calls, whether to marriage, holy orders, or the consecrated life. On a day when we remember that Jesus is our caring shepherd, let us listen once again to the Lord calling us each by name into loving service.

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Shepherding

If you've never lived on a farm, it is easy to have a rather romantic image of a shepherd. A shepherd's duties, however, demand much more than holding a beautifully carved staff and calmly watching the flock. The shepherd must ensure a supply of fresh grass and hay in the winter, assist births, treat illnesses, and guard the sheep from attacks by predators. The shepherd must keep the flock together, build and take down temporary shelters, remove manure from holding pens, and move the sheep to new pastures when necessary. Scorched by the sun or chilled by bitter cold, the shepherd can never leave the sheep untended without risking injury to the flock. Sheep were first domesticated around ten thousand years ago in the Middle East. They continue to provide human communities with wool, meat, and milk today. Among Jewish people in ancient times, wealth was measured in terms of livestock: sheep, goats, and cattle. Sheep—especially lambs—were the favored animal of sacrifice to God. It is no wonder, then, that the scriptures are woven through and through with references to sheep and shepherds, culminating in the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, who cares for even the least of his flock, and as the Lamb sacrificed for our sins. In our Church today, some of us are irritated by the thought of ourselves as sheep and disappointed in or even angry with those who are our appointed shepherds, namely our bishops, priests, and deacons. Here are two things to consider: How much better would we be as Jesus' "little flock" if we stuck together and followed the Good Shepherd, and how much stronger would our clergy shepherds be if we not only showed our support for their efforts, but also helped them to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit in the flock that they guide?

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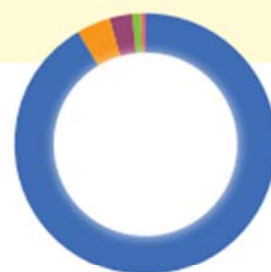
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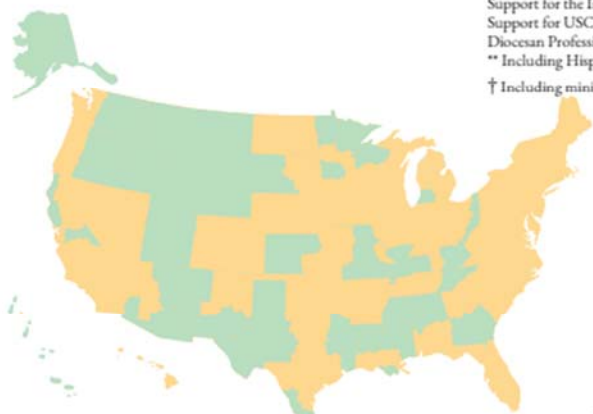
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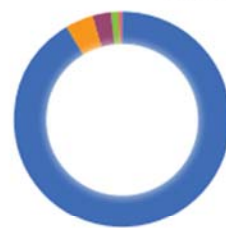
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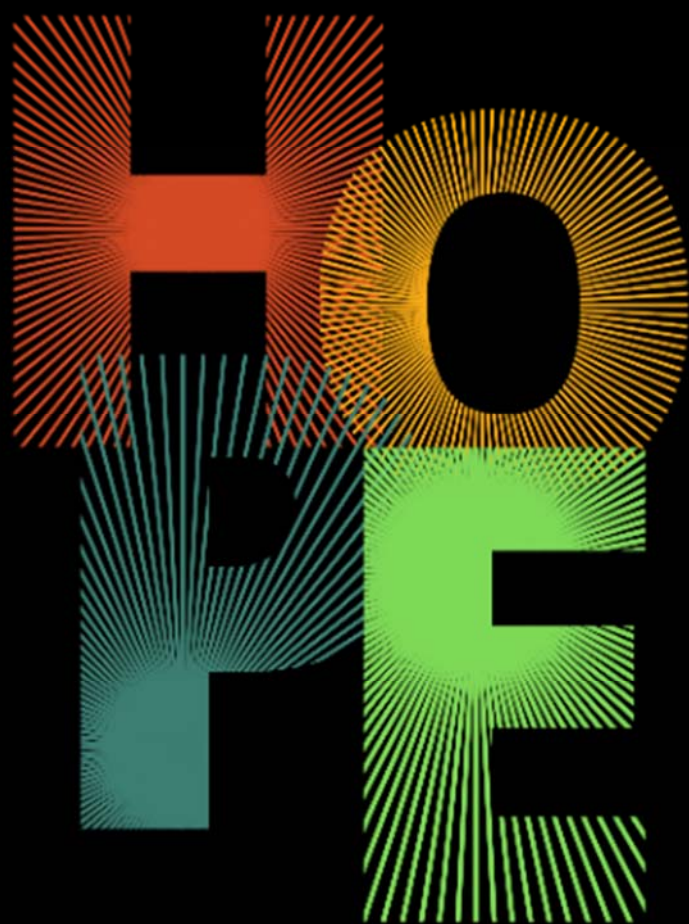
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May 2026



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Cultural Heritage Night

October 4, 2026
5:00 PM

Cathedral of
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**Sto. Niño
Devotion**
(every Friday
after the
12:10 p.m. Mass)

*Judy Labaria
Alma Raymundo
Cathy Bohol
Sheila Montemayor
Anonymous*



**Black
Nazarene**

**Feast Day
January 9**

*Rosie Drapiza
Lydia Cagampan
Rene & Elsa Tuazon
Celia & Paul Gravador*



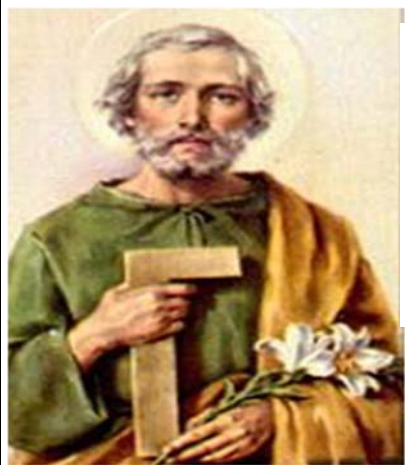
**Our Lady of
Perpetual Help
Devotion**
(every Tuesday
after the
12:10 Mass)

*Raya & Gamboa
Families*



**San Lorenzo Ruiz
First
Filipino Saint
(Sep 28)**

*Fe Macatangay
Jeanette Chafe
John & Gemma O'Donnell
Evelyn Grande
Mely Saavedra*

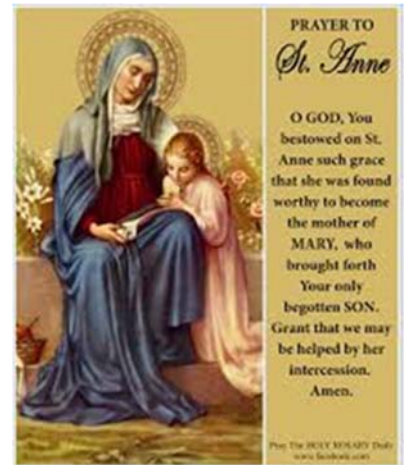


**Saint
Joseph**

**Feast Day
March 19**

Xenia Villamejor

**St. Anne
Feast Day
July 26**



PRAYER TO
St. Anne

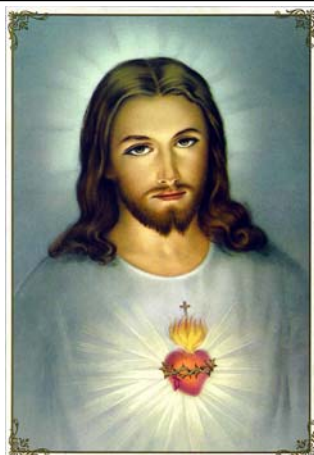
O GOD, You
bestowed on St.
Anne such grace
that she was found
worthy to become
the mother of
MARY, who
brought forth
Your only
begotten SON.
Grant that we may
be helped by her
intercession.
Amen.

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**Sacred
Heart**

**First Friday
Schedule**

**4pm Holy Hour
5:15 Mass**



**OUR
LADY
OF
FATIMA**

**Pray the
rosary**

The Gracious Chapter

Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,

3 He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

The Gracious Chapter

Yap Family



St. Patrick Charismatic Prayer Group

Charismatic & Healing Mass:
Every 3rd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Matt Dorsey
SAN FRANCISCO SUPERVISOR



I'm proud to represent you in City Hall — and grateful for the faith community we share at St. Patrick's. For help with city matters, feel free to call my office at (415) 554-7970 or email Matt.Dorsey@sfgov.org.

Best,

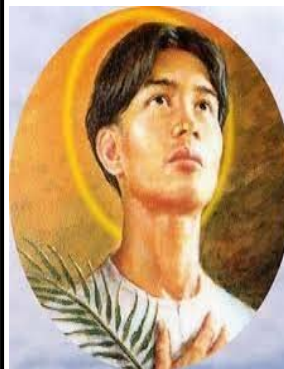
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Our Lady of Guadalupe

Feast Day
December 12



St. Pedro Calungsod 2nd Filipino Saint (April 2)



Elena & Mark Ramoran Gayapa Family,
Romeo & Antonina Real Family,
Dan & Annie Lacap Family,
Jesus, Jr. & Malou Paningbatan,
Vida Ventura,
Nenette Murata,
Cristin Salangang