Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024



Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for 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. ©LPi

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Sunday Gift Offering and Special Collections April 14: \$14,649.00

10% tithe for charitable outreach: **\$1,464.90** "Do not neglect good deed and generosity."-Hebrews 13:16

Parish Directory

We had a great response for directory photos last weekend and will be taking photos again this weekend after all

liturgies except the Sunday 5:00 pm We highly encourage you to take part in this project. It is a great tool to help identify members in our community. If you are unable to come have a photo taken one of these weekends, please email one to myra@newmancenter.org

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday Sunday Monday-Thursday

5:00 pm 8:30 &11:00 am, 5:00 pm 5:00 pm

No Saturday 5 pm on April 27

Sacrament of Reconciliation Wed & Sat 4:00 pm

April 20 - 28

Fourth Sunday of Easter		
Sat	5:00 pm	Elly Kozlowski
Sun	8:30 am	Teresa Sax
	11:00 am	Ray Montez
	5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Paul's
Mon	5:00 pm	Liturgy of the Word
Tues	5:00 pm	Liturgy of the Word
Wed	5:00 pm	Liturgy of the Word
Thurs	5:00 pm	Liturgy of the Word
Fifth Sunday of Easter		
Sat	5:00 pm	No Liturgy at Newman Center
Sun	8:30 am	Bill Finnerty
	11:00 am	Parishioners of St. Paul's
	5:00 pm	Roy Montez





Upcoming Events

Hunger Banquet Sunday, April 21 at 6:00 pm

Youth Confirmation at St. Laurence Saturday, April 27 at 5:30 pm No Saturday 5:00 pm Liturgy at Newman

> Martha & Mary Spring Tea Saturday, April 27 at 11:00 am

Cinco de Mayo Family Faith Formation Pancake Brunch and Fun Celebration

> Lee Noel Diaconate Ordination Friday, May 10 at 4:00 pm, St. Patrick's in Casper.

Fr. Tom Ogg Memorial Golf Tounament Saturday, August 31, 2024 Jacoby Golf Course



Martha & Mary Ladies Spring Tea Saturday, April 27 11:00am - 1:00pm

All ladies of our parish are invited to a spring tea hosted by Martha & Mary. Join us for a variety of teas, finger sandwiches, cakes, fruit, and scones and the opportunity to enjoy fellowship. This event will be held in Bishop Newell Hall.



Request to Return Activity Bags Have the activity bags helped in keeping toddlers occupied during liturgy? Unfortunately, several of these bags have gone missing. We ask that those be returned for the benefit of all parents with small children to use during Mass.

Family Faith Formation

Cinco de Mayo Pancake Brunch Families with Children; come join us to

There will be a pancake breakfast,

carnival games and lots of fun for all.



INFIRMATION

Celebration of Youth Confirmation

This year, 26 young adults from St. Paul's will be confirmed by Bishop Steven on Saturday, April 27 at 5:30 pm at St. Laurence. Keep these youngsters in prayer as they complete the final preparation for this sacrament.

Alex Amaro Claire Arens William Arens James Claude Wyatt Cotterman Nevaeh Gilster Emma Johnson Josie Mathill Danielle Mitchelson Cecilia Moloney Ellery Pannell Libbie Roesler Nahomie Sanchez Evelyn Udezue

Jonathan Alcocer Zamorano Mitzi Alcocer Zamorano Sloane Claude Madison Cortney Allan Enriquez Ismalej Adan Gutierrez **Myah Johnson** Aly Mendez Anna Roesler Jonna Roesler Maggie Sanford Travis Wood



Hunger Banquet: Sunday April 21 at 6:00 pm This interactive event is an

opportunity to bring awareness regarding the availability and access to food for people around the world.

Fr. Tom Ogg Memorial Golf Tournament St. Paul's Newman Center is hosting the Fr. Tom Ogg Memorial Golf Tournament. This event is August 31, 2024, at the Jacoby Golf Course. Expect a fun day for golfers and nongolfers. Proceeds will fund service/mission trips for University students and will contribute to the building fund for a future Newman Center facility.



Fr. Tom Ogg MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT "Heart Speaks to Heart'

To register, buy raffle ticket or meal tickets Scan the QR Code or go to the Newman Center website and click on the "Golf Event" tab or click here.



Bringing Home the Word

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B) April 21, 2024

The Good Shepherd

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

F or many of us, our only connection with sheep is with illustrations of the cuddly white creatures found on holy cards. However, that image strays from the facts. Sheep are not household animals. They live outdoors; they lie down in grass, dirt, and mud. Furthermore, unlike many other animals, sheep cannot clean themselves. I'm not denigrating sheep, just putting aside any fanciful view of their nature.

Raising sheep was an important occupation in the ancient world. In fact, the royalty's governance of people was often described as shepherding. David was told: "You shall shepherd my people

Sunday Readings

Acts 4:8-12

[Peter said,] "He is 'the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.'"

1 John 3:1-2

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.

John 10:11–18

[Jesus said,] "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." Israel" (2 Samuel 5:2). Later, when the royalty were not faithful to this charge, God declared: "I myself will pasture my sheep" (Ezekiel 34:15). This startling characterization of God became a characterization of Jesus.

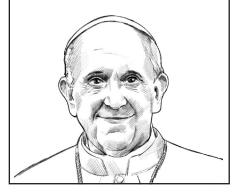
Grime and animal smells, the blood of births and deaths, inclement weather, and the threat of predators mark the life of a committed shepherd. Human comfort was secondary to the needs of the sheep. Sheep actually learn to recognize the voice of the one who feeds them, cares for them, protects them. The shepherd's voice seems to say: *I am here for you because you are mine.* As "the Good Shepherd," Jesus is totally committed to us, his sheep. He attends to our needs, willing to risk his own security in order to save us. His care for us seems to say: *I am here for you because you are mine.* *****

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A Word from Pope Francis

How beautiful and comforting it is to know that Jesus knows us one by one, that we are not unknown to him, that our name is known to him! We are not a "mass," a "multitude" for him, no.... He knows each of us with our own story.... Each of us can say: Jesus, knows me! REGINA CAELI, ROME, APRIL 25, 2021





- How do you relate to the image of Jesus as a shepherd?
- Where do you hear the voice of Jesus who protects, knows, and loves you?

Being Love for One Another

Paula D'Arcy

I was exhausted, hungry, and out of sorts. I had just cleared customs in Atlanta after a series of flights from Europe that caused me to miss a full night's sleep. Now the flight to get me back home was delayed. I had another six hours to wait.

I went to my gate area, delighted to find it empty, hoping for a nap, when an elderly lady pushing a wheelchair approached me. She was bone weary, confused, looking for her gate and a flight to Charleston to visit her daughter. I sighed, helped the woman into the wheelchair, and started walking, looking for video monitors. The last flight to Charleston had already left. I forgot my own weariness. What on earth was she going to do?



information booth. There was a long line, but leaning on the edge of the booth was a young flight attendant, ready to go home, his shift over. He caught my eye and smiled. "What's wrong?" he asked. I explained. He looked at the sweet woman

I trudged on until we found an

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "Easter Springs to Life" by Diane M. Houdek

The psalm most often read at funeral liturgies is Psalm 23, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want." We know we need God. When Jesus says he is our shepherd, we sense his intimate care for us, his flock. We recognize his voice, knowing he will lead us to abundant pastures and lifegiving water. And we know he laid down his life to keep us safe from danger and the finality of death. We can let go of many of the stresses, large and small, of daily life. We can trust that with his guidance, we will discover where we can go safely and where we can't. By following the voice of our shepherd, we learn the true meaning of Easter. [‡]

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On the surface, it was a simple encounter. But it was the way this young man had responded—looking right into my eyes. In that look, we were no longer three strangers. We were three human beings whose paths had momentarily crossed. He took it seriously: We are here for one another. And in that moment of love, he showed me the way to our true home. **†**

> From Daybreaks: Daily Reflections for Lent and Easter by Paula D'Arcy, available at Liguori.org



Lord Jesus, amid many voices demanding our attention, help us recognize your voice, trust your love for us, and follow you, we pray. Alleluia! Amen!

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

April 22–27

Monday, Easter Weekday: Acts 11:1–18 / Jn 10:1–10

Tuesday, Easter Weekday: Acts 11:19–26 / Jn 10:22–30

Wednesday, Easter Weekday: Acts 12:24—13:5a / Jn 12:44–50 Thursday, St. Mark: 1 Pt 5:5b–14 / Mk 16:15–20 Friday, Easter Weekday:

Acts 13:26–33 / Jn 14:1–6

Saturday, Easter Weekday: Acts 13:44–52 / Jn 14:7–14



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