

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

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May 8, 2022



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28b

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM
Saturday (Anticipation) 4:15 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - Noon

ROSARY Thursday 7:30 AM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET Thursday after 8 AM Mass

RECONCILIATION Saturday from 3:30 - 4:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION First Fridays of the month beginning after the 8:00 AM Mass with Reposition at Noon.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM Please call the Parish Office if you wish to have you child baptized.

ADULT BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION If you an adult interested in becoming Catholic or are an adult baptized Catholic but not confirmed please contact Deacon Mike.

MATRIMONY Please call the Parish Office at least six months prior to the marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Anyone who is seriously ill due to sickness or old age may be anointed. Please call the Parish Office.

PARISH REGISGTRATION We warmly welcome new members to Holy Trinity Parish. If you wish to become parish members please call the Parish Office.

Love God † Love others † Make disciples † Welcoming all to a joyful life with Christ!

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Scripture Readings for the week of May 8

- Sunday** Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
- 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** Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
- Friday** Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17
- Next Sunday** Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

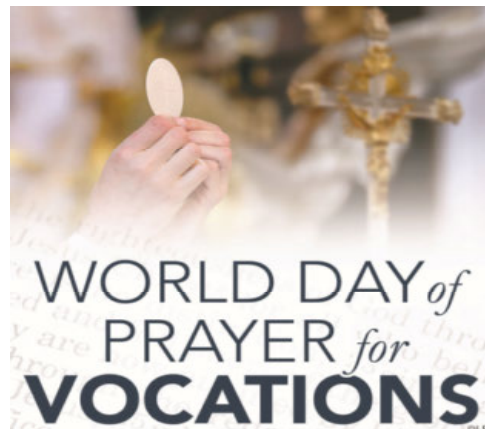
Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, May 9	Easter Weekday No Liturgical Service
Tuesday, May 10 8:00 AM	St. Damien de Veuster, Priest + Don Kiefer
Wednesday, May 11 8:00 AM	Weekday The living & deceased members of the Smith/Willegal Families
Thursday, May 12 8:00 AM	Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs: St. Pancras, Martyr + Marie Schwinn
Friday, May 13 8:00 AM	Our Lady of Fatima + Barb Bichler
Saturday, May 14 4:15 PM	Sixth Sunday of Easter - Vigil For the people of Holy Trinity Parish
Sunday, May 15 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Sixth Sunday of Easter + Bernadine Biertzer + Alice Huewe

Liturgical Schedules

Saturday, May 14 Altar Server Lector Ushers	4:15 PM Ron Peters Sharon Peters Harry Gramoll, Barb Schlosser, and volunteer
Sunday, May 15 Altar Server Lector Ushers	8:00 AM Randy McCray Nancy Wagner Tom Lawton, Tom Johnson and volunteer
Sunday, May 15 Altar Server Lector Ushers	10:30 AM Seth Sullivan Barb Sullivan Chuck Karnitz and volunteers



RELUCTANT SHEEP

Sheep get an awfully bad rap, linguistically. Some are quick to label people as “sheep” if we think they haven’t sufficiently questioned authority or if they’re too willing to go along with someone else’s plan. We say someone has “the wool over their eyes” if they aren’t willing to see what we think is very obvious. “A wolf in sheep’s clothing” is what we call someone looking to take advantage of those too gullible to identify a real threat.

Taking all this into account and considering how often we are referred to as sheep in Scripture, you’ve really got to wonder if God trying to tell us something about ourselves.

If you look at the phraseology associated with sheep, it’s no wonder that nobody wants to be one. Sheep are innocent. Sheep can’t protect themselves. They’re vulnerable and easily misled.

We want to see ourselves as the opposite of all that. We like to think we’re shrewd, with plenty of common sense. We want to believe that we don’t have to rely on anybody for anything. We would sooner identify with the wolf than with the sheep — at least the wolf can take care of himself.

We do this because we often resist the need to rest in the greatness of God. Like a child walking to school alone for the first time (forgetting his mom is following watchfully in the car), we want to think we can handle it all by ourselves.

The truth is that God is trying to tell us something by comparing us to sheep: You don’t have to do this on your own.

Every time I look at an obstacle and think that there is no way around it, I am forgetting that I have a shepherd who knows the location of the gate.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

I HAVE A FRIEND WHO SAYS SHE DOESN'T NEED TO ATTEND MASS BECAUSE SHE PRAYS TO GOD EVERY DAY. WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THIS JUSTIFICATION?

If the only reason for going to church were to talk to God, your friend might be right. Prayer is not something limited to a physical place or even a holy place. If the sole purpose of the Church were prayer, it would be a narrow purpose indeed. The Church is a community of believers, formed by “one Lord, one faith, one Baptism.” It is an outward sign of our faith in God instituted by Christ, and the purpose of the Church is to give us grace, that is, a share in God’s life.

Coming to Mass is not really for God’s sake, but for ours. If we believe that Jesus is truly present in the holy Eucharist, then we will want to be in his presence. We will want to be fed by him. Our daily prayer and good works are strengthened by our authentic encounter with our Lord. For Catholics, it is at Mass that we celebrate the source and summit of our faith. If this is true, why would we ever stay away?

We are
the **sheep**
of **His flock.**

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*Congratulations on your
First Communion Violet!*

Gospel Meditation ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

“Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start.” (Pope Francis) We have a difficult time figuring out what is true and best for us. There are many voices talking and so many trying to get our attention. We wrongly convince ourselves that the true voice is the voice of progress, the one that speaks of contemporary wants and desires, enticing us with the latest trends and causes. We are taught, by listening to the voices around us, that truth is found in feelings and thought, and ideals must match current and popular human wants. Because we feel a particular way it must be true. Then, we find a shepherd who empathizes with us and affirms us. We follow that voice even though listening to that voice will render us powerless and lead us to harm. There are many with me in this procession to this pasture. I must be on the right path and listening to the right voice.

We are very confused. What can keep us safe and from harm? Where do we go to find life, love, and happiness? Jesus tells us that he is the way, the truth, and the life. The only way to get to Truth, who is God, is through him. There is no other way. The Church, the gate around God’s pasture of life, is charged with the mission of directing us where God desires that we go. In the midst of all of the conflicting voices around us, the voice of truth is often muffled in all of the noise, but it beckons us to a life of virtue and grace. Helping us understand who we are and where we have to be, it discerns the voice of God, providing us with the safety net we need to stay straight on our path to life eternal.

We have to trust the voice of God, the true Shepherd, even when it does not mirror what we want and what others may believe. Faith goes way beyond feeling and involves a radical trust in Someone who can lead us and form us. At day’s end, if we do not know to find our way home, we will be truly lost.



PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father,
 from the beginning you have chosen to entrust
 the human person to mothers in a special way.
 We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers;
 for their tenderness, care, and compassion,
 for their intuition and encouragement,
 for commitment and sacrifice.
 Bless all mothers this day.
 Keep, strengthen, and refresh them
 in your loving care.
 May they be blessed by our open-hearted
 love and gratitude.
 Amen.

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INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

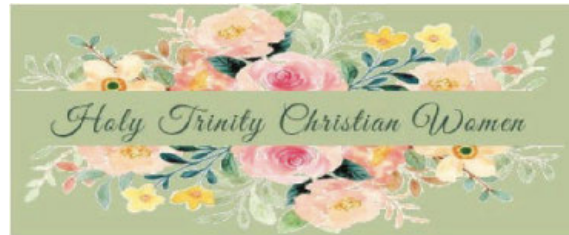
Do we hear and follow? Before we can welcome Jesus as the Good Shepherd, we have to hear his voice. God's voice breaks into the dialogue of our lives in myriad ways, but we have to be attentive and receptive in order to hear it. It comes through the beauty of creation, the warmth and energy of love, the gift of compassion both received and given, the sacred miracle of life, and the orderly and purposeful design of things and in the truth found in God's commandments. Once we see the wisdom behind the commandments and teachings God places before us and are attentive to listening for His direction, we can begin to take the necessary steps and follow Him. We are easily misled and there are many convincing "shepherds." Only one is Good. It is only the Good Shepherd who can lead us away from the evils that can hurt us and bring us to the good. We may not always like where God asks us to go, and it may not be the path others prefer to take. But we have to follow it because we trust that our kind Shepherd will keep us safe.

Save
the
Date



We invite you to "Save the date" for a special parish get-together on **Sunday, June 12**, the Feast of the Holy Trinity, to celebrate our parish and YOU!!

Watch upcoming bulletins for more information.



The Christian Women will hold its next meeting on Monday, May 9 at 6:30 PM in the school dining room. We will have a guest speaker. We welcome new/interested members!



Are You or Someone You
in Need of Prayers?

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, our Prayer Team is always willing

to prayer for your needs. All requests are confidential. Please call your request to 262-692-2639.



Thank you for your continued parish support! We **truly appreciate** your generosity to our parish and its ministries.

If you would like the convenience of donating online, go to: holytrinitynewburg.org/give.



Pope Francis Wants Your Opinion!

Over the coming months, Catholics around the world will be participating in a worldwide synod, or consultation process. Lend your voice to the Archdiocese of Milwaukee's response to Pope Francis' Synod on Synodality! What would you like the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, and Pope Francis to know? Visit <https://archmil.org/About-us/Synod/Synodality.htm>, or <https://tinyurl.com/5n6z4547> and share your thoughts.

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