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"I WILL LAY DOWN MY LIFE FOR THE SHEEP." —JN 10:15

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Confessions
Saturday 1-2 p.m. and by request.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS

Religious Education for Children
Please call Mrs. Angelique Quinones, 201-653-7328
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Please call Roxanne Clark at the Parish Office, 201-653-7328 ext. 100 ,for information on the following:

- **Baptism**
- **Sacrament of Matrimony**
  Contact must be made *at least one year* in advance.
- **Adult Religious Education (RCIA) for Communion and Confirmation**

For the Sacramental Records of Resurrection Parish, Saint Bridget, Saint Boniface, Saint Lucy, Saint Mary, and Saint Peter please call 201-434-8500. For Saint. Michael records contact 201-653-7328 ext. 100.

MASS SCHEDULE
Weekday Masses
12:05pm M-F (English)
Sunday Masses
Saturday 4:00pm Anticipated Mass (English)
Sunday 8:30am (Vietnamese)
10:30am (English)
6:30 pm (English)
Novena of Saint Jude after the 12:05 p.m. Mass each Tuesday.
Every first Tuesday of the month Sacramental Anointing of the Sick.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday 9:00am-5:30pm

Mass Intentions

Monday April 26th 2021
12:05pm MADELINE LAGALANTE

Tuesday April 27th 2021
12:05pm ROBERT CHARLES WAGNER

Wednesday April 28th 2021
12:05pm RUFINA PINTO

Thursday April 29th 2021 .
12:05pm VINCENTE BUSTAMENTE

Friday April 30th 2021
NO MASS TODAY

Saturday May 1st 2021
4:00pm BOB BETZ

Sunday May 2nd 2021
8:30am VIETNAMESE
10:30am RUFINA PINTO
6:30pm PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

OUR PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

Good Friday, April 2, 2021, Collection for the Holy Land to date $249.00
Easter 2021 collection to date $10,640.00
Weekend of April 10 & 11, 2021 $2,005.00
Weekend of April 17 & 18, 2021 $1,670.00

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WEEK OF APRIL 25th 2021

The Sanctuary Candle is Offered for:
RUFINA PINTO

The Bread and Wine is Offered for
RUFINA PINTO

Please call Roxanne Clark at 201-653-7328 ext. 100 to arrange a Mass Intention, have a Candle burn in memory of a loved one, or donate the Bread and Wine for the week.
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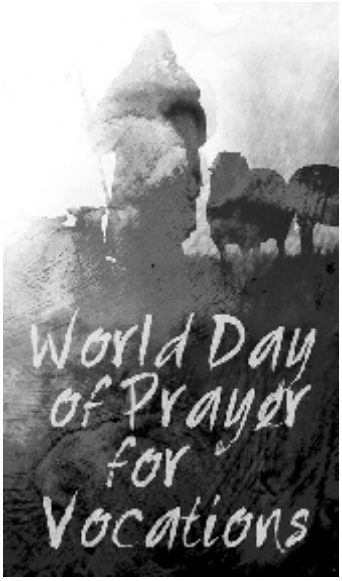

EXCERPTS FROM TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

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:
"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)

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PASTOR'S LETTER
APRIL 25TH 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday, after the comforting image that Christ uses to describe Himself in the Gospel for this day (Jn 10: 11-18). Jesus invites us to think of Him as a shepherd who attentively and tenderly looks after His flock. This avatar of God as a loving shepherd was, in fact, already familiar to the people of Israel long before Jesus' time: think of the 23rd Psalm: *The Lord is my shepherd…*

Let us remember that as the Good Shepherd, Jesus will always watch over us and will always be there when we look to Him. As long as we strive to follow Him, He will not let us fall away. He loves us too much.

God bless you!
With my love,
Father Tom

Jesus is the Good Shepherd because He gives His life to the Father in this way: giving it back in sacrifice, He lays it down *for the sheep*.

Here we enter the field of a splendid and fascinating simile, already so dear to the Old Testament prophets. Here are the words of Ezekiel: *For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out* (Ez 34:11, 15; cf. Jer 31:31).

Taking up this message again, Jesus revealed an aspect of the Good Shepherd's love that the Old Testament had not yet divined: to lay down one's life for the sheep.

As we know, Jesus often used parables in His teaching to make the divine truth which He proclaimed comprehensible to people who were generally simple and accustomed to think by means of images. The image of the Pastor and of the fold was familiar to the experience of His listeners, as it still is to the mind of modern man. Even if civilization and technique are progressing by leaps and bounds, this image, however, is still present. The shepherds take the sheep to the pastures and remain there with them during the summer. They accompany them from one pasture to another. They watch them so that they do not go astray, and in particular they defend them from wild animals.

The Good Shepherd, according to Christ's words, is just he who, *seeing the wolf come, does not flee, but is ready to risk his own life*, struggling with the beast of prey so that none of the sheep will be lost. If he were not ready to do so, he would not be worthy of the name of Good Shepherd. *He* would be a hireling, but not a shepherd. But Jesus, in fact, *did* give His life for His sheep. By dying on the cross, Jesus laid down His life for all people. *This* is what makes Him our Good Shepherd.

By means of the paschal sacrifice, all people became His fold – because He has ensured to each one the divine and supernatural life which, due to Original Sin – that is, human fault and selfishness – had been lost. He alone was able to restore it to all people.

Pope Saint John Paul II served as Supreme Pontiff from 1978 until 2005.

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