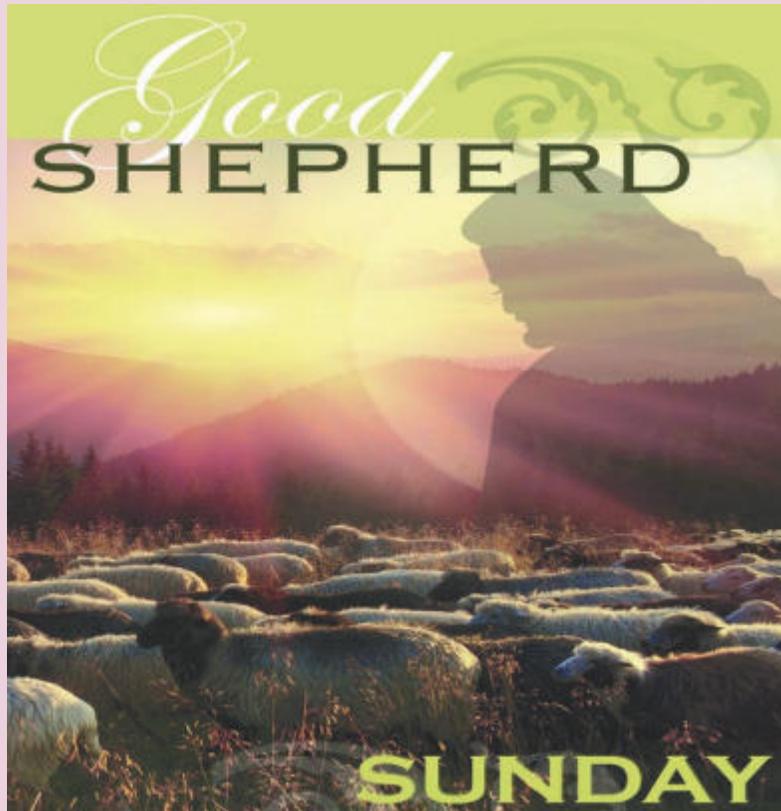




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of the Immaculate Conception

259 E. Onondaga St., Syracuse, NY 13202

April 25, 2021



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Weekday: Mon.-Fri. 7 am & 12 noon
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Sun. 7:30 am, 9:45 am, 5:10 pm
Baptisms: By Appointment

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Mission Statement

The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception opens its doors to all for worship and prayer as a spiritual home away from home. Through these doors, the Cathedral ministers to the needs of the community by providing food for the hungry, comfort for the sick and elderly, hope to those in jail and education for the young. Together with other local parishes, the Cathedral provides a regional center for strengthening the community of faith.

Letter From Bishop Douglas Lucia**Dear Diocesan Family,**

Ten months ago, I announced the filing of a Chapter 11 case for reorganization of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse before the United States Bankruptcy Court. On November 6, 2020, the aforementioned court established April 15, 2021 at 11:59 p, ET. As the deadline to file proofs of claims against the diocese (the "Bar Date"). As of today, I have been informed that 371 claims are filed in relation to the NYS Child's Victims Act.

One victim of sexual abuse is too many! And so, to see the number "371" is particularly disheartening and of the greatest concern for me because of the damage done both directly and collaterally. To all victims of sexual abuse, I renew my commitment and that of this local Church to assist you in the healing process. We seek to make amends for the wrong and sinful behavior perpetrated against you and cannot apologize enough for the failure to protect you from your abusers.

When we began the reorganization process, also known as "Chapter 11" on June 19, 2020, it was explained that: "*Chapter 11 is a voluntary action taken by a company or entity to reorganize financially with the goals of being able to respond to the financial claims of those to whom it owes money and to emerge with its operations intact.*" Of particular concern to me was how the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse could respond in a just and fair manner to the claims of sexual abuse arising from the NYS Child's Victim Act.

At the time, I explained that: "*This diocese has limited resources for adequately responding to claimants under the Child Victims Act. We believe and hope that Chapter 11 will provide the victims, any other claimants, the diocese, and its insurers with a method where all of these claims can be settled, and the victims compensated in a fair and timely manner. As part of our Reorganization Plan, the diocese intends to create a fund with a pool of money from both diocesan funds and money from insurance carriers.*" So now we begin the next phase in the reorganization process having passed the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese. In this phase, we will work with the Creditors Committee and the insurance companies to arrive at a plan that will compensate victims and allow the Diocese to emerge from Chapter 11. Such a settlement will be arrived at with the help of legal counsel and the supervision of the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of New York.

Over the course of the coming months, I ask you to pray with me for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as both Advocate and Consoler for this work, so that it might bear much healing and fruit for those involved. Particularly, I seek a reasonable way to assist the victims of child abuse in the Diocese of Syracuse which fosters restoration and renewal in their lives as children of God.

With this in mind, I wish to invite members of the Diocesan family, especially those who have been victims of abuse, to a Mass for Healing at 12 noon on Thursday April 29th at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse. This time of prayer during National Child Abuse Prevention Month will particularly pray for the gift of healing and fortitude for all victims of crime and oppression and will include a special blessing during the Mass.

Having just celebrated Divine Mercy Sunday, I again place our diocesan family under the loving care of the Sacred Heart of Jesus praying that He will make our hearts more like His through this time of purification and reparation. Please know my prayers for you and your loved ones continue and I ask humbly for your prayers for all victims, as well as, for me and the Church of Syracuse.

In the Name of Jesus,

Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia

Fourth Sunday of Easter — Cycle B
Gather Book— Readings: Number 959
Order of Mass # 134

We use the word "shepherd" analogously to mean "guide" or "show the way." There is more of a sense of direction in using the word shepherd in this way. It indicates a kind of push, a prodding such as a shepherd's staff might actually give. In the life of faith, sometimes we can become Christian couch potatoes happy to rest on our laurels because we seem to be relatively settled in the life of faith. In the first reading, Peter was criticized for the good deed he did to a cripple. What good is the Shepherd prodding us to do?

April Month of the Holy Spirit



Why Should I Become a member of a parish?

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular church they automatically belong. Membership requires signing up and formally enrolling yourself in the parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social and ministerial activities of a parish. The parish census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a parish. Just like you want the parish to be there to provide Masses, Sacraments, education programs and ministries, the parish needs to be able to count on you to assist and help in their mission; to be an active member.

Are you registered with us? If you receive regular communication such as offertory envelopes, year end tax letters, etc. perhaps you are registered. Registering in the parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of the parish. As parish members, we are all here to help each other on our spiritual journey. As much as you need us, we need you too.

Cathedral New Parishioner Registration

Name _____

Address _____

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Phone _____

Email _____

Fill out and drop in collection basket or register online at:
 cathedralsyracuse.org We will mail you a registration form.

We Welcome New parishioners!



BAPTISMS: There were five baptisms, here at the Cathedral, from January through March. We welcome them into the Catholic faith. They are: *Elina Joy Cunningham, Dallas*

John Fredette, Christopher James Silva-Gardner, Jacob-James Sudek and Sarah Louise Vaccaro. May they all come to know the wonder and love of our Lord. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

Please Register for Mass – It is mandatory to register for the Mass of your choice, including **weekdays**. The registration link opens at **4 pm** on the **Thursday** prior to the following week-end and week. The link can be found on Cathedral website, **cathedralsyracuse.org**.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

You can find most everything you need to keep up-to-date with **Cathedral happenings** on our website.

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PREACHING SCHEDULE

04/25/21 Deacon Bob Burke
 05/02/21 Rev. Neal Quartier
 05/09/21 Rev. Jim O'Brien

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, April 28, 11-11:30 am Rev. John Schopfer



Guidelines: wear a mask, enter by way of prayer park Confession is in the Gathering Space, enter if the door is open, close door behind you—exiting, leave door open. Register: cathedralsyracuse.org

Please remember those on our sick list in your prayers.



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| Charley Bailey | Tiffany Kerlin |
| James Beach | Jamie Kikk |
| Gary Bradle | Peter Killius |
| Ron Brand | John Krzewinski |
| Mary Alice Brown | Isabella Lantry |
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| Patty Caroll | Chris Maselli |
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| Cheryl Karpinski | JacobWolfe |
| Denise Karsten | Sandy Wolstein |
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World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, April 25, 2021 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on our diocesan website: vocations-syracuse.org



Sanctuary Light



Burns For
Fr. Neal Quartier / The Denton Family
And
In Memory Of
Luella M. Evans / Family

Worship Next Weekend - May 1-2, 2021

Homilist: Rev. Neal Quartier

Saturday

5:10 pm Rev. Neal Quartier

Sunday

7:30 am Rev. Neal Quartier

9:45 am Rev. Neal Quartier

5:10 pm Rev. Neal Quartier

OUR GIFT TO GOD

ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION—Offering

April 17-18, 2021

Number of envelopes 140

Offering at Mass..... \$7,275

Other weekly donations..... \$ 377

Total..... \$7,652

Rice Bowl.....\$ 595

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Second Collection -Home Missions Appeal

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territory, because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org /home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

A Family Perspective By Bud Ozar

Today's gospel is a job description for Christian parents. For most people the most influential shepherds in their lives are their PARENTS. Every parent is called to be a "good shepherd" to "freely lay down their life" for their children, to "love" and "know" their children and to "lead" them so "they know your voice."

May God Bless the brave women and men who serve in the military especially for risks taken, for sacrifices made and for living courageously in the midst of real and constant danger.



We hold you in our prayers and ask God to watch over them and keep them safe.

PARKING

When parking for Mass on Jefferson Street or around the circle be aware of the crosswalk ramps. We have parishioners who have been denied access because the crosswalk ramps have been blocked by vehicles. Please be sensitive to the needs of the people who may be walking to Mass or may need handicap access.



Lord, You are my shepherd so I will lack nothing. You restore my soul! You lead me on the right path because it is Your nature to do so. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will not fear because You are with me.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 24 Vigil

5:10 pm Jenni-Lynn Watson / Mrs. T

Sunday, April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am Harold Riffanacht / Vincenza Terrinoni

9:45 am Frank Cappelletti / Family

5:10 pm Joseph Augello

Monday, April 26 Easter Weekday

7:00 am Francis & Arlene Hanlin / Family

12 noon Belinda Fitzgerald / Amy & Michael Cirmo

Tuesday, April 27 Easter Weekday

7:00 am Betty Lucia / Rosemary & Ted Smith

12 noon Joan Shea / The Shea Family

Wednesday, April 28 Easter Weekday

7:00am John & Elizabeth Hanlon / Family

12 noon Josephine DeRegis / Mark & Katie Stanczyk

Thursday, April 29 St Catherine of Siena, virgin & doctor of the Church

7:00 am Raymond & Julia King / Family

12 noon Brett LeBlanc/Coach Mark McKenna & Mtn.
Warriors Sled Hockey Team

Friday, April 30 Easter Weekday St. Pius V, pope

7:00 am Harry & Rosemary Cook / daughter, Rosemary
Curtis

12 noon Robert C. Thousand, Jr. / Family

Saturday, May 1 Vigil

5:10 pm Patricia A. Sofranko / Suzanne, Tom, Seth &
Ankita DeSantis

Sunday, May 2 Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am Domenico & Assunta Massa / Vincenza Terrinoni

9:45 am Tom Hayes / wife, Nadine & Children

5:10 pm Tom & Sally DeLaney / John & Liz DeLaney

Mass Intentions: You may schedule a **Mass** for a loved one by calling the rectory office at (315) 422-4177 or visiting the office. The offering is ten dollars.

You may also have the **Sanctuary Light** burn in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. The offering is ten dollars.

Reminder: Parents, please escort your **children** to the **restrooms**. Also, make sure your purse is always closed and taken with you at Communion time.



Faces: CES still struggles to provide supplies for those in need. Anything you can spare is appreciated. Suggested items: **canned meats, vegetables, fruits, tuna, store bought cookies, snacks, granola & breakfast bars, rice, boxed potatoes, pasta, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, Target paper bags and sweet treats for the children.**

Suggestions for personal items: **toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste & brushes, kleenex, hand sanitizer, diapers, baby wipes, disposable razors, shaving cream, gently used rosaries and bibles.** If you are unable to shop, monetary donations help the food pantry purchase food from the Food Bank of CNY. Monetary donations may be placed in the regular collection basket in an envelope marked CES as you leave church or donations may be mailed to the parish office. Food donations can be brought to Church and left in the lobby as you enter through the Prayer Park door, or directly to the CES food pantry, across the street from the Rectory M-F. **Thank you for your continued generous support .**

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