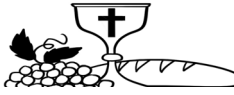


Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 17, 2016

*"I have made you a light to the Gentiles,
 that you may be an instrument of salvation
 to the ends of the earth."*

— Acts 13:47b

**Masses for
 the Week**



SUNDAY - April 17 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - *Clergy*
 10:00 am - Ed Rogers

First Communion Sunday

MONDAY - April 18

8:00 am - Personal Intention

TUESDAY - April 19

8:00 am - Paul Bittlebrun †

WEDNESDAY - April 20

8:00 am - Margie Brosch †

THURSDAY - April 21 - St Anselm, Bsp, Doctor of the Church

8:00 am - Ed Faxlanger †

FRIDAY - April 22

8:00 am - Johnny Aguilon †

SATURDAY - April 23 - St George, Mrtyr; St Adalbert, Bsp, Mrtyr

8:00 am - Mary Pawlik †
 5:00 pm - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - *Clergy*

SUNDAY - April 24 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am - Dennis/Dorothy Boehm: 51st Wedd. Annv.
 10:00 am - Billy Yandell, Jr †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30
Mon: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
Tue: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wed: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thu: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Fri: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Sat: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sun: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Please Pray for Our Sick.....

*Tina Moya, Betty Eceveste, Cheryl Barker, Cecilia Edwards,
 Fr. Dan Morales, Sharon Traylor, Mary Louise Bittlebrun,
 Thomas Tucker, Fredaline Najvar, Clifton Lau, Jeff Cano*

NEXT WEEKEND - April 23 & 24

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 of HOLY COMMUNION**

and **LECTORS**

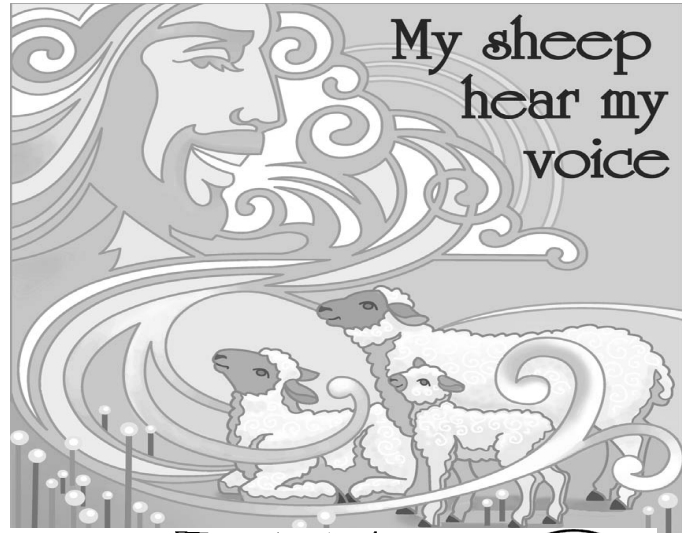
Sat. 5:00 pm - Diedra Kalina, Norman Schoener
Volunteer, Volunteer
Sun. 7:30 am - Lawrence Yanta, Stephanie Holt
 Jimmy/Patsy Whitaker
Sun. 10:00 am - Pat Pooley, Bud Tucker
 Donna Maxey, *Volunteer*

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat 5:00 pm - *Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer*
Sun 7:30 am - B. Manning, S. Holt, S. Goslin/JC Foster
Sun 10:00 am - C. Urbano, O. Urbano, M. Urbano

USHERS:

5:00 pm - Mike John, Frank Motal, Tom Goslin, R. Dominguez
7:30 am - Frank Marbach, James Novak, Michael Fikac
10:00 am - Kenny Spann, Alvin Schoener, Harrison Raska



This Week

**Pray for
 Vocations**



SUNDAY - Fourth Sunday of Easter
First Communion Sunday

Special 2nd Collection: Home Missions Appeal

MONDAY - Altar Society Meeting - 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY - R.C.I.A. - 7:00 pm - Rel. Ed. Bldg.

SATURDAY - Confessions - 4:00 - 4:30 pm

SUNDAY - Fifth Sunday of Easter

2nd Collection: StVdP "Black Bag" Charity



Jubilee Year of Mercy

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 17, 2016

Good Shepherd Sunday: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

This Sunday celebrates Jesus as "the Good Shepherd." When announcing this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, Pope Francis focused on Jesus' "lost sheep" parable in Luke. "[Who] among you," Jesus asks, "having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it?" (Luke 15:4). A reasonable answer? "No responsible shepherd who wants to keep the job!" Yet Jesus considers *one* lost person supremely important and suggests blaming the shepherd. The sheep didn't "go astray," the shepherd "lost" it. Thus, "when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy" (15:5). That tender image of Jesus adorns the simple cross Pope Francis has always worn, the Good Shepherd gently carrying the lost sheep home on his shoulders. During this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, may we, who once were lost ourselves but now are found, join Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home at least one precious lamb.

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DWELLING PLACE

God dwells wherever we let God in.

—Ancient Jewish saying

<i>Weekly Offering</i>	THANK YOU <i>Your Generosity is Appreciated</i>
	WEEKEND of 04-9/10-16 Count - 519
Envelopes.....	\$ 1,772.00
Loose.....	1,065.00
Other Donations.....	405.00
Total Operating Income.....	\$ 3,242.00
2nd Collection/ExtEnv:.....D.S.A.....	\$ 661.00



Generations of Faith ~ GOF
Religious Education Classes

Apr 17 - GOF Class / 1st Communion at 10 am
Apr 24 - GOF Class
May 1 - GOF Class (Last Class until August)



VOCATION CRUCIFIX

The Holy Year of Consecrated Life has come to an end, but at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish we will take it from here to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Families will pray while in possession of a dedicated **VOCATION CRUCIFIX**. At the **7:30 am**

Mass, **James & Connie Novak** will take possession and continue our prayers. Next to take possession April 24th, at the 7:30 am Mass is **Jimmy and Patsy Whitaker**.

Congratulations

to our Newly Confirmed

Shawn Dentler, Sampson Holt,
James Janecka, Alyssa Marbach,
Mary Lisa Murphy, and Oscar Tabora.

*May each of you give witness to your faith
as you continue your life's journey.*



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
RCIA meets each Wednesday
7 pm-9pm ~ in the Rel Ed Bldg.

For more info, please contact: Bob/Laurie Bautista-573-9561
laurie.bautista@gmail.com, or Rectory -575-3813

VOCATIONS: Every pope for at least the last century has pointed out that vocations begin at home in the family. In 1964 Pope Paul VI designated that World Day of Prayer for Vocations would be celebrated on Good Shepherd Sunday. It is the day that all Catholics are asked to pray to God that he send more workers into the harvest. Along with asking for God's help ask Our Blessed Mother's prayers, and ask for the intercession of the saints who strived for holiness on earth and are now in heaven praying for us. Here are some holy men and women to call on: Saint **Alphonsus Liguori**, Patron of Vocations & Theologians; Saint **Junipero Serra**, Patron of Vocations; Saint **John Vianney**, Patron of Priests; Saint **Charles Borromeo**, Patron of Seminarians; St **Gabriel** of Our Lady of Sorrows, Patron of Clergy; St **Monica**, Patron of Married Women; St. **Scholastica**, Patron of Nuns.

GOD'S EMBRACE MINISTRY
UPCOMING EVENT

Little Chapel of St Mary, 1601 High Hill Rd, Schulenburg TX is offering a **SEMINAR** directed by: **Dr. Michael Fonseca - April 30 - 9:00am - 4:00pm**
Contemplative Prayer: The Cloud of Unknowing
For more information, please call 979-561-8883.

News Around Town

Knights of Columbus Council #1329 Chicken BBQ will be held **April 17th from 8:30am until sold out**. NOTE: Selling will not start until 8:30 am. Prices are \$8/per chicken or 3/\$22. Spanish rice and beans are available for \$1.50/per pint. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson. Proceeds benefit various projects.

Sunday ST JOSEPH Knights of Columbus Council #11351 will be hosting their **ANNUAL Chicken Fried Steak Plates To Go Lunch**. Sales will begin at 10 am until sold out @ the Pavilion, 58 Church St., Inez, TX for \$8/plate. Please come on by.

St Michael Parish, Weimar, TX will be having their **ANNUAL SPRING FESTIVAL** on Sunday, April 24, 2016 at the **Veterans Hall**. Serving of a Fried chicken and sausage dinner begins at 11:00 am. Entertainment and activities throughout the day and evening. Live auction at 1 pm. Call 979-725-6714 for more information.

St Mary's Altar Society will host a **GAMES PARTY** in the **St Mary's Activity Center**, 401 S. Liberty, on **Tues April 26 from 11:30 am to 4 pm**. Admission is \$8/person. There will be door prizes, raffle & a country store. Noontime meal. **For reservations** call: Ann C., 575-2050 or Janell K., 575-8166.

Court St. Ann #369 will be hosting a **Spring Games Party** on **Thursday, May 5th from 6 - 9:30 pm** at the **Knights of Columbus Hall**, 3610 N BenWilson, Victoria. Admission \$8. Door Prizes. Raffle Drawings. Silent Auction. A dinner of turkey & dressing, gravy, green beans, rolls, dessert, & drink. For reservation, contact Joan S. at 485-2387

Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Victoria, TX will have a **Mass with Healing Service** celebrated by Fr. Phi Nguyen, on **Saturday, April 30, 2016, at 10:00 am**. All are invited to come join in worship and prayers of healing.

Gabriel Project - 101 W. Convent (behind St Mary's Church)



Come be with us while learning and discerning. We invite you to **mark your calendars** and join us at our first **WORKSHOP** for 2016! Saturday, April 30th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. A great time to learn to reach out to these Mothers and their Babies, in this Jubilee year of Mercy.

DAVID KAUFFMAN ~ ~ ~ LIVE IN CONCERT

*Save the Date **** Save the Date **** Save the Date*
David Kauffman will be live in concert at St. Roch Parish in Mentz, in Parish Hall on Thursday, May 12th - 7:00pm. **He will perform the next night, May 13th - 7:00 pm at Holy Family, Victoria**. Concert is free but limited seating available. Reserve tickets online at www.godsembrace.org or call 979-561-8883

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