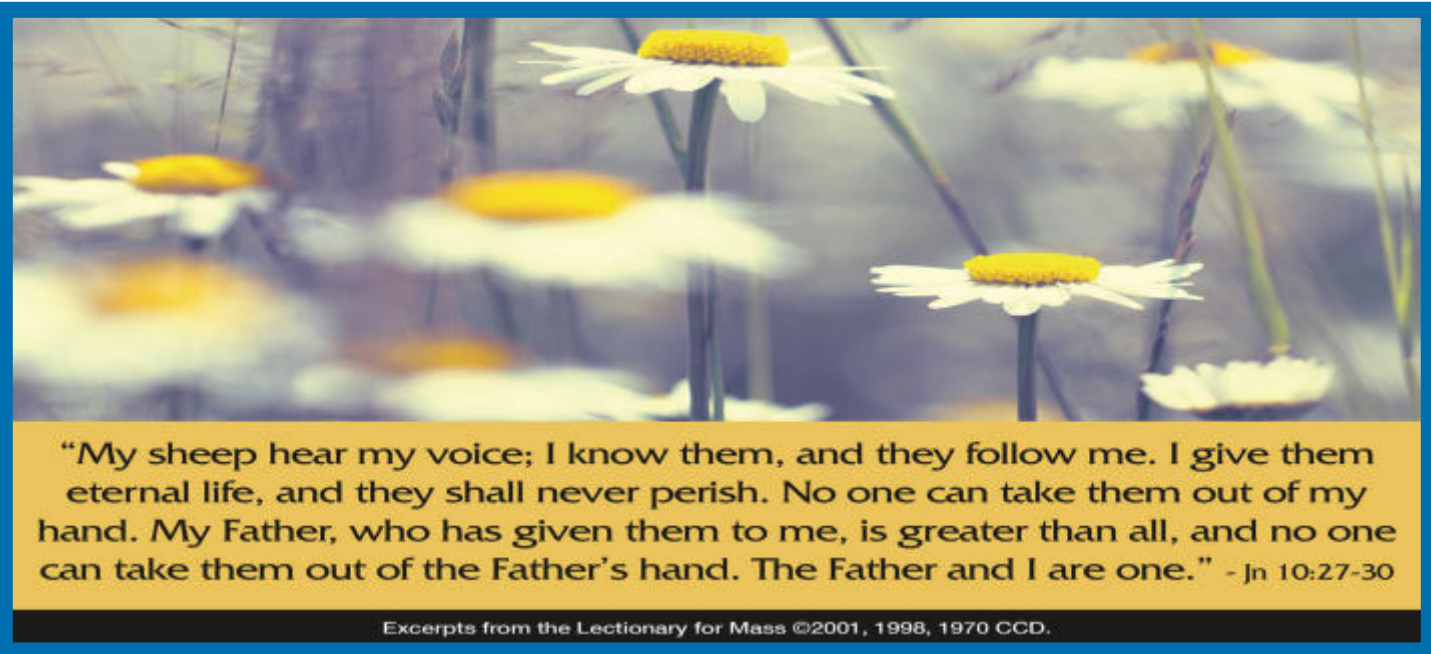


Sacred Heart Church

332 North Oak Street, Pratt, Kansas 67124



MAY 12, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GOSPEL MEDITATION

We all face obstacles in life. Perhaps it's a lost job, the death of a loved one, a sudden accident that places an unexpected dent in our finances. Sometimes the challenges are of our own making. Perhaps we've developed patterns of sin in our personal lives or our family relationships. We've all felt the jolting shock of, "This is all my fault." How do these things affect our relationship with God? Or, perhaps more poignantly, how do we now view God's relationship to us?

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus' words to us are encouraging ones. "No one can take them out of my hand." Did you catch that? In case you didn't, Jesus reemphasizes the point again a few verses later. "My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand." God's grip of providential care and mercy is so strong that nothing can separate us. We might think things take us out of God's hand - life circumstances, tragedy, our lukewarm attitudes towards faith - but Jesus tells us otherwise. Nothing, no one, can take us out of the Father's hand, and we can't take ourselves out! We can't remove ourselves from Him, not entirely. Even when grievous sin hardens us to grace, His love is still sustaining us in existence. And His mercy is always awaiting our repentance.

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." This Sunday, let us heed the voice of the Good Shepherd. Whatever we feel might take us from God's hand, we can turn back to Him. God is always inviting us to follow Him and to trust in His care and be sustained by His hand.

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Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Sacraments

Penance: Saturday: 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Baptism: Contact the church office at 672-6352

Marriage: Diocesan policy requires a minimum of a four month preparation period. Please make early arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick: On the Fourth Thursday of every month at the Ministry of Praise Mass or by appointment.



NOTICES

ADULT EDUCATION

Formed.org parish code: VFMVGH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

IMPORTANT DATES:

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May 12th-Graduation Sunday

July 8th - 12th - Totus Tuus Church Camp K-6th

July 7th - 11th - Totus Tuus Summer Camp 7th -12th

Readings for the week of May 12, 2019

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 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday: Acts 12:24--13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 1]/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

June 2nd Bulletin is due by noon May 22nd.

VISION STATEMENT: As Disciples in Christ, we are called to know, love, and serve God and each other in celebrating and living the message of the Gospel.

MISSION STATEMENT: We are a faith community who recognizes and acknowledges individuals' gifts and talents, encouraging spiritual growth.

Bulletin Entries

The deadline for bulletin submissions is Monday at noon for the following week's bulletin. If your submission is not on time, it will be held for the following week's bulletin. Please carefully proofread your entries for the bulletin, as they will be published exactly as received. Do not send attachments. All submissions must be emailed to: sacred_heart_bulletin@live.com

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following:

Rita Haen (sister in law of Ruth Menzer),

Jack Gardner (father of Linda Johnson),

Cliff Dipman (brother of Norma Voss),

Madison Hunt-continue prayers for health

Rochelle Westerhaus- ALS disease

Carla Trujillo (sister of Robert Torres) - colon cancer

Helen Harper, broken hip

Roma Kay Jackson, cousin to Marsha Kile, breast cancer

Kraeton Sullivan, grandson Rhonda Haas, very ill.

Isabella Staab, recovery from hip surgery

Stewardship of Treasure for the Weekend of April 28, 2019 Number of Envelopes - 52

Envelopes	\$2,916.00
Loose Collection	<u>229.00</u>
Total	\$3,145.00
Required Budget	<u>7,000.00</u>
Net Deficit	<\$4,585.00>
Year to Date	
Total Receipts	\$334,911.17
Required Budget	<u>309,000.00</u>
Net Surplus	\$25,911.17

Questions for the week:

First Reading

Luke records in Acts how and why Paul and Barnabas took their gospel message of the crucified and resurrected Messiah to the Gentiles.

How do you imagine history would have changed if the Jews had accepted Paul's gospel message?

Second Reading

John's vision speaks of the eternal and heavenly rewards for those who suffer for the faith. To whom should you communicate this saving message?

Gospel Reading

In what ways do you find Jesus' metaphor of the sheep and shepherd appealing?

Bulletin Announcement:

Attention Graduates: All High School and College graduates are invited to wear their caps and gowns to Mass on May 12th at 8:30am. We will get a picture of everyone after Mass. We ask you to gather at the back of church and you will process in with Father for Mass. We hope to see you there. Tonya Kiley

Janitor Position opening: We have a janitor position open in the parish. This is a part-time position of about 10 hours per week with flexible hours. Duties will include cleaning the school and parish offices regularly, setting up for events in the school, and doing periodic deep cleaning. Applicant must be able to pass a background check and attend a Protecting God's Children session. Please contact the office for further information.

Roses for Expectant Mothers: ARE YOU EXPECTING A BABY or KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS EXPECTING.....and would like a rose placed in the vase on the wall next to Our Blessed Virgin Mary? As a parish, we would like to pray that you will have a healthy pregnancy and a safe and blessed delivery. After your baby is born, you will receive your rose from the vase and keep as a memento from our parish, the day your baby is baptized. If you are expecting a baby and would like a rose placed in the vase so our congregation can pray for you, please call Marla Stucky, 620-672-6178 or email [sstucky@cox.net](mailto:ssstucky@cox.net).

- The red roses in our vase represent our current expecting families in our parish.
- The white rose reminds us to pray for life from birth to natural death.

LIVE THE LITURGY - When something delights us, it touches us in a unique and special way. We are stirred within, filled with happiness, glee, and joy. The object of our delight captivates us, and we are eager, sometimes beyond words, to obtain it. Have you ever been delighted by your faith, the Gospel, God's Word, or an encounter with God? The Gentiles were delighted when they learned they were sharers in the Good News and ecstatic that they were included. They recognized their shepherd and realized that they discovered something or someone unlike any other before. We can easily become lukewarm in our relationship with God and forget just how life-changing the Good News of our faith really is. We are brought to the springs of life-giving water and are gifted with something secular life simply cannot provide: Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

4th Sunday of Easter

When I was little, I would always cling to the same routine each night before going to bed. I would say to my parents, "Good night." They would respond, "Good night." I then would say, "See you tomorrow, okay?" I would await their response, and if they did not respond, I would say it again louder, "See you tomorrow, okay?" I somehow felt that if they did not assure me that I would see them tomorrow, it would possibly not happen. What would happen to me if I awoke and no one was there? It seems silly now, but to a small boy, it was very serious.

In our lives, many of us have somehow bought into the notion that there is so much in the world that can take us away from God. We believe that worldly values, immorality, or evil itself can take us away from God's love and protection. But there are few greater lies than this. The reality is that if we find ourselves far away from God, the only force that carried us away was our own choices.

In John's Gospel, Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me... No one can take them out of my hand." Yes, we are tempted at every side, but no temptation can take us away from him. Unfortunately, sometimes after initial choices, we find ourselves in addiction or dependency, making our reconciliation with God impossible without the help of friends and loved ones. But make no mistake, no one or nothing can take those who are His sheep away from God.

When you think about this, you realize the importance of your actions. The power of your stewardship is great, because by utilizing your gifts, you determine if you will draw closer to or wander away from God. The world can't do that. The devil can't do that, nor can the wishful words of a little boy in the night.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Reminder: The office will be closed Friday, May 24th and Monday, May 27th. Erin will be out of the office on Friday and Monday is Memorial Day.

Calendar of Events
May 2019

14 7:00pm Mystagogia

15 4:00pm-5:15pm Adoration
5:30pm Mass

16 8:00am Mass
9:30am Helping Hands Sew Circle
6:30pm Pastoral Council

17 8:00am Mass
7pm Spanish Prayer/Rosary

18 4:30pm Confession
5:30pm Mass

19 8:00am Confession
8:30am Mass
10:45am Mass in St. John



15 Pat Hitt by Leanne Irsik

16 Gladys Grannell by Curtis & Annette
Adelhardt

17 Souls in Purgatory

18 (Sat. eve.)

Herman & Barbara Fischer by Jan Goertz

19 (Sunday)

Pratt – graduates

St. John – Seraphin & Larry Staab by Isabelle
Staab

New to the Parish?

We would like to welcome you to Sacred Heart. Please fill out this short form and drop it in the collection basket or in the mail slot at the rectory. Someone will contact you to help you complete your registration.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
best time to call _____

Thank you for helping us include you here at Sacred Heart.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

May, 2019

Week 3

SATURDAY, May 18th, 8:30 p.m. MASS

Lector: Ed Barrett, David Borho
Commentator: Rita Hitt
Cross Bearer: Rayden Crow
Servers: VOLUNTEERS
Euch.Ministers: Linda Conkle, Donna Huff
Diana Barnard
Don & Gina Hommertzheimer
Gifts: Kim Evert Family
Ushers: Curtis Adelhardt,
Darren Hodgkinson
Sacristan: Linda Fletcher
Rosary Leader: VOLUNTEER

SUNDAY, May 19th, 8:30 a.m. MASS

Lector: Gene Cannata
Commentator: Josie Conkle
Cross Bearer: Ryan Haas
Servers: Aden & Isaac Temanson
Euch. Ministers: Mike & Amy Koler
Josie Conkle
Lorin & Julie Haas
Gifts: Cannata Family
Ushers: Jerry Siemens, Cole Monaghan
Sacristan: Julie Scott
Rosary Leader: VOLUNTEER
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