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Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Sanctuary Dedications for the Month of April 2024

Sanctuary Candle Under Renovation

Eucharistic Hosts McGann Family by Carole McGann

Altar Candles To be announced.



*Jesus said:
"I am the good shepherd.
A good shepherd lays
down his life for the sheep."
John 10:11-12*

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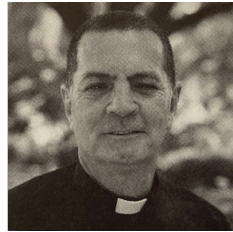
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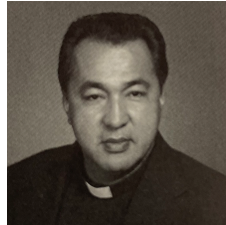
April, 2024 Ministers & Counters

	4/28/2024
	9:00 AM
Sacristan	Terry Smith
EMHC #1	Teddy Celedon
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#3	Margie Stanfield
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INCOME RECEIVED 04-14-2024	AMOUNT
Offertory	1,824.00
Building Fund/Renovation	295.00
Holy Thursday/Holy Land Easter	40.00
Mass Stipends	
Alter Flowers/Hosts/Candles	
Faith Formation Ministry	
Food Pantry	
Youth Group	
Ladies' Guild	
Knights of Columbus	



Worship & Meditation

Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal's wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I didn't care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (quite heroically) just placed my life on the line.

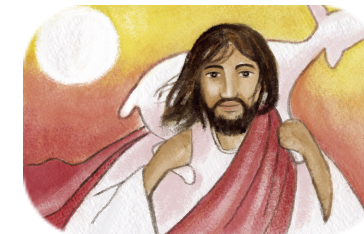
When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I don't know. But I do know, if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog. No offense, Libby.

How passionately Jesus wants us to know him and his willingness to die for us! This week he says, "I know my own and my own know me," and "I lay down my life for the sheep." Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code. In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down his life for you and me — and he has taken it up again. So often we are like Libby — blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and his saving love. This Easter season, the risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about his love. He never ceases to lay down his life for us.



The Eucharist is the sacrament of love: it signifies love, it produces love

- ST. THOMAS AQUINAS



Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What is unique or different about the way Catholics read and are exposed to the Bible?

Answer:

Catholics are exposed to Scripture primarily through the Sunday readings from a book known as the *Lectionary*. The *Lectionary* is a book of selected passages from the Bible set in the context of a liturgical season, such as Advent, Lent, or ordinary time. There are four readings assigned to any Sunday: the first reading (usually from the Old Testament), the responsorial psalm, the second reading (usually from a New Testament letter), and the Gospel reading.

These readings together give them a new context. The selected readings relate to one another in a unique manner that is not present in the Bible text itself. In close proximity to each other, these readings now have the opportunity to converse with each other in a way that would have not been possible before. A homilist pays attention to all four readings, preparing a reflection that speaks of this conversation among the readings, enabling us to zero in on what this unique combination of God's word has to say to us this particular Sunday.

Next time you attend Sunday liturgy, try reading the Scripture ahead of time and see how this new relationship among the readings addresses and challenges you to be a better Christian here and now.

Remember we have now returned to taking two collections during the Mass service. Our Offertory collection will be taken after the Prayer of the Faithful; and, the second collection will be taken after Communion, which is dedicated strictly to the Building Fund.

Thank you for your continued support!

Liturgical Life

The Good Shepherd and the Wolf

I remember very clearly the first movie I watched during my pregnancy with my eldest child. In this film, there is a scene where a young boy is kidnapped and shoved into the back of a van guarded by vicious dogs. His mother persists in trying to free him, even as the dogs snap at her. Their bared teeth and full-throated snarls don't slow her efforts in the slightest.

It wasn't a great movie or even a particularly great scene, but I'll never forget this scene. I'll never forget those dogs.

I had just learned that I was a mother a few days ago. The life growing deep within seemed to me as frail as a whispered secret, but I loved it powerfully. I worried constantly if the baby was safe and healthy. I agonized over signs — real or imagined — that could tell me if the poppyseed-sized child was thriving or failing.

I understood, for the first time in my life, why a woman would charge a pack of attack dogs without hesitation — not because she should, but because she has to.

She could choose not to fight, certainly. She could walk away. But why would she? A future without her son is so much more painful than any physical wound. She may fear for her life, but she fears a life without her child so much more.

The Good Shepherd discourse reveals to us the motivation behind God's actions throughout all of salvation history. From Adam to Noah to Abraham, all the way down to the time of the Messiah and beyond, He keeps trying to get us back. He keeps braving the attack dogs, time after time. He never stops. He never grows weary. And it baffles us: *what's in it for Him?* we wonder, because we are quicker to give up on ourselves than He is. *Why does He keep trying?*

He could choose not to fight, sure. But why would He? He doesn't want a future without us.

Renovation Update

Much will begin to happen as we expect the new trusses for the roof on April 25. The demolition of our current roof over the sanctuary will begin, Monday April 29 with the large crane arriving on Tuesday, April 30th, awaiting the installation of the new trusses upon completion of the demolition. This is a crucial time in our renovation which will initiate a larger part of the work to be done. So we truly ask for your fervent prayers!



Acts 4:
1-37

Ladies' Guild Corner!!

We want to thank all who have helped us with the 2024 Annual Chicken Barbecue. Emails will go out this week announcing the winners of the Raffle Prizes as well as all our sponsors who have worked with us this year as well.

Wednesday, April 26, 2024

Our next meeting of the Ladies' Guild. All women of the Parish are invited. Please join us at 10:30 a.m. at the Faith Formation Building.

Thank you! Betti Blouin, President
blouinlighthouse@gmail.com

Knights' Corner!

Any man of our Parish who is interested in becoming a Knight or may have questions, please contact us so that I may answer any questions you may have.

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Next meeting of the Knights. All men of the Parish are invited. Please join us at 7:00 p.m. in the Faith Formation Building.

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Leo Blouin,
Past Grand Knight



Readings for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday:

Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

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:

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Friday:

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

Saturday:

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

Next Sunday:

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8