

APRIL 25, 2021 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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~ John 10:11

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BELONGING

There is nothing like belonging. Many of our deepest experiences in life are of the belonging we feel among family or close friends. We may experience belonging within our parish, even saying we are “at home” in our faith community. Sometimes, we say we belong to a school alumni association or social club. Our deepest belonging, however, is in the heart of God. We are God’s children, precious in God’s sight. We are so treasured that Jesus laid down his life for us. Knowing that we belong to God in Jesus Christ gives us a new, eternal perspective on life. Peter understood this when he explained that his healing of the man who had been disabled from birth had been accomplished through Christ. Jesus describes the relationship between him and those who believe in him in intimate terms—we who are in relationship with Christ know that our very lives depend upon him.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The difference between the good shepherd and the hired hand is the difference between life and death. Unlike a hired hand who only works for pay and would run away at the first sign of difficulty, Jesus is a good shepherd who willingly lays down his life for his sheep. The good shepherd draws the sheep near to him. They belong to him—not as a possession that can be discarded, but as precious ones who are assured that they can rely on his care and protection. The sheep owe their very lives to the shepherd. Without him, they will be scattered and left on their own in what is often a dangerous world.

BECOMING GOOD SHEEP

No sheep with any sense would wander off and leave the fold. The shepherd provides food and safety. Away from the fold, the sheep risks death in the jaws of wolves or starvation in the desert. Jesus is the Good Shepherd and invites us to be good sheep. Jesus has experienced the best and the worst of all that life has in store. He has known the simple joys and the deep disappointments of life; he has known temptation, anxiety, and fatigue. Jesus walks ahead of us, leading the way. We may be tempted to wander away, lured by temporary pleasures and tempted by the illusion of something better over the horizon. In the noise of daily life, surrounded by messages that compete with God and God’s ways, it is easy to become distracted from what is important and lasting. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, invites us to be good sheep who are so close to him that we hear and recognize his voice. As good sheep, we are called to follow the voice of the Shepherd, trusting that he will guide us to the best pasture, where we can thrive.

TODAY’S READINGS

Acts 4:8–12

Psalm 118:1, 8–9, 21–23, 26, 28, 29

1 John 3:1–2

John 10:11–18

Shining the
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April 25, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Easter

RESPONDING TO THE CALL

Do we truly know the voice of Christ? Do we truly respond to the voice of our shepherd with our own distinctive voice? How often we attempt to imitate those around us, appropriating the response of another member of the flock to Christ. Perhaps we need to balance the image of being sheep of one flock with the image from the second reading, which tells us that we are all children of God. What child has precisely the same interaction with parents as his or her siblings? Instead, they frequently do and say things to distinguish themselves in the eyes of their parents.

Whether we use the image of children or of sheep to understand our relationship with Christ, we believe that we are all known and called by name. With this great gift comes a responsibility: to respond to the call with our own distinctive voice, to take time to discern exactly what our call is, to determine precisely what the will of the Father is for each of us.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter;
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Wednesday: St. Peter Chanel;
St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

Thursday: St. Catherine of Siena

Friday: St. Pius V; National Arbor Day

Saturday: St. Joseph the Worker; First Saturday

FEAST OF FAITH

The Gospel Reading

The climax of the Liturgy of the Word comes with the proclamation of the Gospel. Everything tells us that something important is happening. We stand. We sing special acclamations. Servers with candles and sometimes incense lead the deacon or priest to the ambo, where the reading is proclaimed from a special book.

All of the readings are important, but the liturgy directs special attention to the Gospel for a reason. “[A]mong all the inspired writings, even among those of the New Testament, the Gospels have a special place, and rightly so, because they are our principal source for the life and teaching of the Incarnate Word, our Saviour” (*Dei Verbum*, the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation of the Second Vatican Council, 18). In the Gospels, the narrative of Christ’s saving life, death, and resurrection continues to be proclaimed in our midst.

Our Sunday Lectionary is structured so as to allow us to hear as much of the Gospels as possible. The readings are arranged in a three-year cycle. In Year A, the Gospel readings are taken mainly from Matthew; in Year B, from Mark and John; and in Year C, from Luke. In this way, over the course of three years, we hear a substantial portion of all four Gospels.

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ON WEALTH

Nothing is more fallacious than wealth. It is a hostile comrade, a domestic enemy.

—St. John Chrysostom

THE GLORY OF GOD

The glory of God is humanity fully alive.

—St. Irenaeus

BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

Please pray for the joyful rebirth into the eternal celebration of God's love for the departed

Michael Troc
Loretta Serpico

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday YTD July-December 2020

Budget: \$429,000

Actual: \$451,296

Surplus: \$22,296

January Budget: \$66,000

Actual: \$62,951

Shortfall: \$3,049

February Budget: \$66,000

Actual: \$66,382

Surplus: \$382

Christmas Budget: \$50,000

Final Christmas Actual: \$64,196

Surplus: \$14,196

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



Your prayers have been a tremendous source of healing, empowerment, enrichment, and prophecies for all of the sick of Our Lady of Peace, especially those listed below. Join us daily by sharing your spirituality and prayer devotions for the sick.

Alan Amann, Sue Atkinson, Mary Ann Bach, Joseph Barberio, Joyce Barry, Ken Barry, Tina Bershere, Rose Bina, Bill/James Bleacher, William Boggio, John Bovard, Judy C., Helen Cieslek, Bishop Daniel Conlon, Katy Counihan, Frank Cosenza, Mario Cristofaro, Pina D'Amico, Frank Dipodiva, Brooklynn Drab, Nancy Fisher, April Fernandez, John M. Foresman, Darlene Garoza, Sue Geever, Jessica & Italia Getz, Linda Hall, Moreen Hall, Joan Haremza, Gail Hayes, Mark Herwaldt, Jan Hillerud, JoAnne Hug, Mary Johnson, Dorothy Joyce, June Kaduk, Pearl Kalinski, Dan Kieras, Bob Kobliska, Kathy Lacy, Mary Lipscomb, Lee Liston, Rev. David Lord, Amy Lynch, Emily Mason, John Matt, Patricia Matz, Donna Menard, Joan Novak, Tommy O'Driscoll, Bill Olivanti, Gloria Pavesich, Cathy Lou Pearson, Rose Marie Pedryc, Tom Peknik, Helen Peschel, Agatha Piwicz, J. Pisarczyk, Pedro Quijano, Cita Quizon, Mike & Lena Ramaglia, Joan Ritzert, Roger Rodriguez, Veronica Rodriguez, Laura & George Rossano, Charlie Sanders, Maria Santos, Tony Sekera, Joyce Smith, Karlton Smith, Estelle Sniogowski, Bertha Sobotka, Jim Sobun, Marylyn Sobun, Patricia Soukup, Ernest Stankiewicz, Andy & Marilyn Stanley, Diane Treend, Phyllis Trout, Renee Tucci, Sophia Zabinski

And for the seriously ill children

of our Parish:

Damien Turrubiarres,
Martin Viau



Please Pray for the Servicemen and Women of our Parish



Sean Sebastian
Andy Shreckengost

MASS INTENTIONS April 24/25

Saturday 4/24	7:30am	Piraro Family (L/D)
	5:00pm	Mary Jane Smith (D)
Sunday 4/25	8:00am	Cristina Dacasin (D) Digna Dacasin Domingo (D) People of our Parish
	10:00am	Patricia Coleman (D)
	12:00pm	Michael Lazarski (D)

MASS INTENTIONS April 26-May 2

Monday 4/26	7:30am	John Drozd (D)
Tuesday 4/27	7:30am	Vincent Mesch
Wednesday 4/28	7:30am	Joshua Castillo (D) & Rafael Luna (D)
Thursday 4/29	7:30am	Wally Koziol (D)
Friday 4/30	7:30am	John Drozd (D)
Saturday 5/1	7:30am	Michael Cieslek (D)
	5:00pm	Natalie Wlezen (D)
Sunday 5/2	8:00am	Manola Del Castillo (D) Krist Angielen Guzman (D) Bruno Perfetti (D) Joan Makowski (L)
	10:00am	People of the Parish
	12:00pm	Dolores Loftus (D)



LIFE IN ACTION | MIRACLE OF THE MONTH

MARCH 2021



On March 9th, "Georgia" came to Waterleaf and stated "I'm confused. I took Plan B and thought I took care of this pregnancy." After taking the Plan B pill, she stopped having her period but thought nothing of it until a couple of months had passed. Georgia went to a clinic, where her pregnancy was confirmed. She told her Waterleaf advocate that she wants to confirm her pregnancy, wasn't sure how far along she is and that she wants an abortion. Her boyfriend, "Don", supported her in her in this decision.

She took another pregnancy test which came back positive.

During her ultrasound, which confirmed her pregnancy to be at 25 weeks and 4 days, Don could not take his eyes off the screen. Both he and Georgia seemed fascinated by the heartbeat and when the baby hiccuped, wanted to know if that was normal. Georgia said she was surprised to be 25 weeks pregnant and wondered how many months that equaled.

On March 19th, the couple returned for a follow-up visit and stated they have chosen to parent- "I'm worried about telling my parents, they may kick me out of the house!" she shared with her advocate. Still, they are determined to face any obstacles that may be presented. Georgia was interested in the support they can receive from the Aspire Education and Resource Center, including signing up for medical insurance.

Georgia has since been to see her OB doctor and continues to work with her Resource Specialist to begin parent education classes.

first Reconciliation



God bless our children!

Audrey
Zamara
Nena G
Dario



Lucy
David
Sam



Ben R
Nena C
Emma



Diego
Nick
Joseph
Ben V
Sophia









“Do whatever He tells you”. (John 2:5)



DCN. John Ronaldo Abulag
Pastoral Year
St. Mary, Mokena



DCN. Sam Conforti
Theology 4
Christ the King, Lombard



Gregory Alberts
Theology 3
St. Mary, Mokena



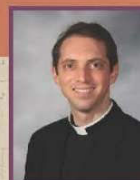
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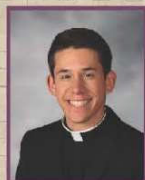
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Guatemala



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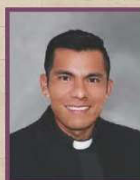
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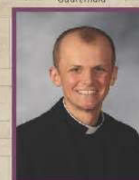
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Transitional Diaconate ordination – Friday, April 23, 2021 @ 6:30pm (Cathedral) by invitation or livestreamed at <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/vocations/sectioncontent.php?secid=12>

Please keep the following candidates for ordination in your prayers.

Please join us for the Livestream of the

ORDINATION TO THE ORDER OF DEACON

Transitional

Gregory L. Alberts



Brian Geary



Thomas Logue



FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.
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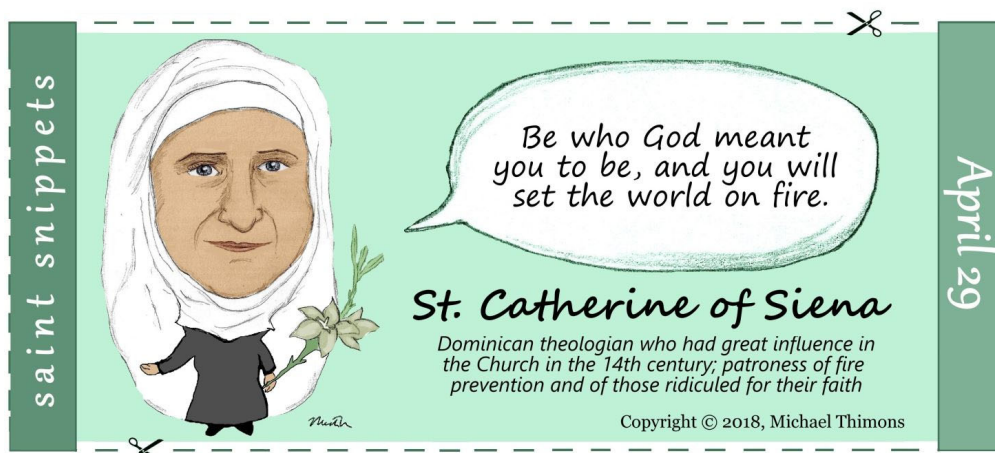
Each player will be awarded points on each hole according to one's handicap in relation to the Stableford scoring system. Prizes to be awarded based on mid and end of year standings. Further instructions concerning establishing a handicap and the rules of play will follow as we near the start of the league.

Contact: if you are interested in participating or have other questions please contact Tricia Gurtner (tgurtner1@comcast.net)

Registration Deadline: April 22

You can send your registration fee to: Our Lady of Peace - Business Office
Attn: Golf League
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Darien, IL 60561

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St. Jude Parish in New Lenox, Il is seeking to hire a Part-time Coordinator of Youth Discipleship (primarily grades 7 & 8 and their families). Our Junior High Youth Ministry program goals are to engage junior high teens and their parents, to evangelize and inspire a renewed understanding of the Catholic faith, and to invite teens and parents into a deeper relationship with Jesus. Our high-energy and dynamic program is built on these three cornerstones: Relationship, Discipleship & Mission. The person who fills this position will serve as a collaborative partner on the parish faith formation team. Must possess a comprehensive understanding and comfort with Catholic theology, including scripture, creed, morality, and the sacraments and be fully initiated and an active member of a Roman Catholic faith community. A Bachelor or Master's Degree in Religious Studies, Theology, Pastoral Ministry, Education or related field required.

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To apply please send resume, cover letter, and contact information for two persons of reference to the attention of the St. Jude Director of Lifelong Faith Formation, Katie Neu at kneu@stjudes.org or mail to 241 West Second Avenue, New Lenox, IL 60451. Interviews will begin immediately.

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MARRIAGE:

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Please contact **Deacon Larry Fudacz at 630-323-4333 Ext. 104.**

BAPTISM:

Baptisms are celebrated on the second and on the fourth Sunday of each month immediately following the 12 Noon Mass.

We ask that the parents be registered members of the parish. First time parents must attend one hour (plus) of Pre-Baptismal instruction held on 2nd or 3rd Tuesdays of February, April, June, August, October and December at 7p.m. in the School Library. The Pre-Baptismal class may be taken before the birth of the child.

Please contact **Deacon Frank Vonesh** for more information at **708-793-3505**.

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