

**Mission Statement**

In the spirit of St. John Vianney’s zeal and concern for people, we are a community proclaiming the Gospel in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. The community of St. John Vianney strives to utilize the gifts and talents of each parishioner to create a vibrant welcoming parish. Through our liturgies, ministries, and organizations, we encounter Christ and are empowered to bring Him to the world.

**Parish Staff**

Administrative Assistant	Linda Dunbar
Parish Secretary	Stephanie Noto
Administrative School Secretary	Agnes Bacsik
School Office Assistant	Laura Gruenling
Parish/School Bookkeeper	Paula Roibal
Maintenance Supervisor	Poncho Julius

**Mass Schedule**

Monday-Friday	7am - 8:45am
Saturday	8am - 5pm
Sunday	7am - 9am - 10:45am - 12:15pm

Holy Days will be announced at the end of mass and in the bulletin.

**Sacramental Schedule**

Reconciliation: Saturdays 11am-12pm, 4:15-4:45pm  
Anytime in the rectory – call ahead

Baptism: most Sundays at 1:30pm.  
Requirements: registration in parish, baptism preparation class, arrangements are made at least 3 MONTHS prior to the date of the baptism. Sponsors and Christian witnesses need verification of belonging to a Church.

Anointing of the Sick: anyone who is ill and or would like to receive Communion is asked to call the rectory.

Marriage: Couples planning marriage must notify the Parish Rectory at least ONE YEAR in advance for date and necessary info. Pre-Cana classes and F.O.C.C.U.S. Program etc. are required. At least one party must be a registered member of this parish.

**Parish Membership**

All new families who live within our boundaries are welcome to the parish. They are requested to register at the rectory. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for us to issue testimonial letters, recommendations, references, etc. When you move or change your address please notify the rectory beforehand. Anyone 18 years of age/older not in school must be registered separate of their family. Thank you.

**Please note that there will be NO daily or weekend Masses at all until further notice. The Church will only be open each day from 9am – 2pm. Confession will only be available on Saturdays 11am – 12pm.**

**Mass Intentions – 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**SATURDAY, May 2, 2020 – St. Athanasius**

5:00 PM Louis Peragallo, r/o The MHS PTO

**SUNDAY, May 3, 2020**

7:00 AM Richard Zvitkovitz, r/o Betty & Don Benes  
9:00 AM For the people of our parish, living/deceased  
10:45 AM Purgatorial Society  
12:15 PM Raymond Scheuermann, r/o Scheuermann

**MONDAY, May 4, 2020**

7:00 AM Elizabeth Busko, r/o Mr. & Mrs. C. Scala  
8:45 AM Mary Rilli, r/o Maria DaSilva

**TUESDAY, May 5, 2020**

7:00 AM Rosemary Jarka, r/o Susan Facciponti & Joseph Padillo  
8:45 AM Thomas W. Russinelli, r/o Tom & Janice Michnewicz

**WEDNESDAY, May 6, 2020**

7:00 AM Barbara Parisi, r/o Donald Parisi  
8:45 AM Joan Tkach, r/o Tkach & Polt Families

**THURSDAY, May 7, 2020**

7:00 AM Catherine Discenza, r/o Maddalena & Jerry  
8:45 AM Michael McSherry, r/o Mr. & Mrs. Connie O'Donnell

**FRIDAY, May 8, 2020**

7:00 AM Diane York, r/o Dante & Natalie Laudadio  
8:45 AM Lucilia Ramalho, r/o Ralph Hill & family

**SATURDAY, May 9, 2020**

8:00 AM Tom Lorello, r/o Joanne & James Lorello  
5:00 PM Anne Simone, r/o children

**SUNDAY, May 10, 2020**

7:00 AM Lois Kipila, r/o Talarico family  
9:00 AM Giovanna Vito Fabiano, r/o daughter  
10:45 AM For the people of our parish, living/deceased  
12:15 PM Carolyn Kearney, r/o family



**The Sanctuary Light has been offered in loving memory of Irene & Stanley Michnewicz from Tom & Janice Michnewicz**

**The Bread and Wine have been offered in loving memory of Louis Faccone from Joanne Streck.**



*The Prayer Corner*

*“There is a season and a time for every purpose...”*

**A TIME TO BAPTIZE**

**TO WED**

**TO HEAL**

John Jacobi Jr., John Tarnalicki, Artie Schapiro, Tina DeliAquila, Lisa Auerbach, Edward Swiderski, Kevin Brown, Dominic Wittmann, Robert & Marie Feeney, Italia DiNatale, Walter Moeller, Jake Ragucci, Mollie Endler, Debi Leiter, Anna Sielska, Jane Fitzgerald, Wayne Bartlett, Julia Skrya, Mary Charniga, Brenda & Dolores Tourtellot, Mary Jantas, Kathleen Baumann, Giuliana DeAngelias, Dennis Costante, Gene Moore, Roger McNamara, Joel Leiter, Jerry Hill, Prashant Kaushik, Greg Gillespie, Susan Sepedy, Sue Stockman, Geri Lazarowitz, Aymee Iannacone, Annie Panaccione, Tony Moskwa, Jean Nych, Gregory Kolaranda, Trevor Horning, Tyler Brown, Johanna Esposito, Fran & Bill Hefele, Maria Middleton, Mary Shegas, Nina Stefanelli, Nikoloz, Tom Woods, Clare Weber, Vincent Dellaquila, Linda Wittmann, Joseph Reilly, Joe Vitello, Arlon Roth, Edward O'Brien, Theresa Lipuma, June Laub, Jill Bartholomew, Lynn Tumblety, Maryann Robson, Nick Troiano, Ryan Shaughnessy, Bob Bayer, Carl Walker, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Ronald Syslo, Christine Camping, Gladys Gonzalez, Catherine Donahue, Art Boudier, Bill Hillyer, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco, Dorothy Zsamba, Charlene Misak, Mike Misak, Mary Ann Baureis, Andres Quijano, Eileen Ammon, Marian Cassel, Pauline Mendicino-Franke, Sadako Vargas, Robert Grecco.

**TO JOIN GOD IN HEAVEN**

Neil Hoeffling, Anthony Apice Sr. & Margaret Schneider

**A TIME OF WAR & PEACE**

Keith D. Lee (Air National Guard), Captain Brian McCartin (Army), Sgt. Albert Cipas (Airforce), Alan Bridges (Navy), John Bridges (Navy), PO 3 Liam Ryan (Navy), 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Phillip G. Faccione Jr. (Marines), Bryan Alexander Perez (Army), Brandon Haynes (Army), Jared Endler (National Guard), LTJG Liam Keenan (Navy), Michael Campione (National Guard), Mas. Sgt. Michael Primavera (Air Force), LTJG Michael Swiderski (Navy).

**Weekend Readings**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41  
 1 Peter 2:20b-25  
 John 10:1-10

*Weekday readings can be found on the parish website.*

**May 3, 2020**

**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*“And Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...”*

**ACTS 2:38**

The word “repent” means to turn from sin, to change our actions. Change that is permanent comes from within. It requires prayer, discipline, and perseverance. Change is also hard. We have to recognize that we are broken and need help. The good news – we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for His response.

**Reflection**

While we are quite familiar with being disappointed by the worst we see in the world, we cannot deny the extraordinary heroism of which humanity is also capable. All around us, ordinary people are performing acts of sacrifice, giving up their own lives so that others may live. It is nearly impossible to look into the world and not see love overflowing at every turn. Science cannot explain it; logic doesn't understand it. And yet, love emanates more powerfully than any substance we can measure. Truth transcends any instrument or equation. In moments of pessimism, when we find ourselves impatient with the world, do not grow hopeless, but trust in the unexplainable love lived by so many. Trust the goodness you see. Be still and know that God is the source of all that is Good, Beautiful, and True, and that all love exists because God wills it.

– from the book *Let Go: Seven Stumbling Blocks to Christian Discipleship* by Casey Cole, OFM



**Thank You**

We would like to sincerely thank all of you as we adjust to the strange situation we are currently in. Thank you for checking to be sure that we are okay. We greatly appreciate your patience and ongoing support both faithfully and financially. While things are different from what we ever expected, it is important for us to remember that Christ is the light that will help to lead us through these dark times. We are ever so grateful to our Parish and School community here at St. John Vianney for standing with us through the struggle. We hope we are able to see you and celebrate Mass with you all again soon. May God continue to bless you and your families and keep you safe and healthy.

God Bless  
Father John & Father Bede



**St. John Vianney School News**

732-388-1662 <https://school.sjvianney.com/>

**School will still be closed.** We are following the guidelines set forth by the State of New Jersey and our Bishop Checchio. Our students are continuing their education through virtual learning. Students are logging in every morning, and their teachers are providing lessons for them as they work at home on a daily basis. We pray that everyone will remain safe and healthy during this difficult period. If you need any help with the work that has been assigned, please email your child’s teacher or call the school office. We are available via email from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM daily.

**Pre-K News**

Our Pre-School teachers are working very hard to reach out and engage each child so that they can continue their educational journey. We look forward to having all of our students back with us in the near future.

**PARISH MINISTRIES & CONTACTS**

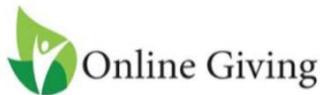
Organization	Contact	Phone
Altar Rosary Society	Jane Bianco	732-382-1512
Altar Servers	Mary Jantas	732-574-1191
Basketball	Joe Marinello	908-347-9269
Bible Study	Deacon Joe & Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Cheerleading	Cathy Carroll	732-574-0218
Communion/ Homebound	Joanne Streck	732-382-4147
Cub/Boy Scouts	Sandra Franczak	732-381-5033
Cursillo	Maggie Cruz	732-713-7392
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Finance Council	Cliff Bacsik	732-388-9034
HSA	Kelly Sachewicz	732-397-4047
	Odette Maia-Aly	201-710-0444
Knights of Columbus	Robert Luban	732-382-6939
Ladies Aux. K of C	Mary Swiderski	732-382-2558
Lazarus Ministry	Ann Ruth	732-381-6815
Lectors	Deacon Tom Michnewicz	732-574-1651
Music Ministry	Jamie Frame	908-331-0471
Parish Life Comm.	Egger Lugo	732-801-6705
Pastoral Council	Suzanne MacIntyre	732-283-0731
Pre-Cana	Deacon Tom & Janice Michnewicz	732-574-1651
Pro-Life	Carolyn Glodek	732-381-0499
R.C.I.A.	Deacon Joe Ragucci	732-548-3880
Secular Franciscans	Rev. J. Kubiak	732-494-3399
	Dolores Jules	908-756-3659
SJV Seniors	Robert & Mary Nilan	732-574-3427
Soccer	Jennie Derkack	732-574-2340
Social Action	Jim Leathem	732-388-5512
St. Isidore’s Garden	Maureen Jorgensen	732-396-4320
St. Vincent DePaul	Joe Pampalone	732-429-2901
Track	Amanda Miller	732-549-2356
Ushers	Ray Morgan	732-815-1037
Youth Ministry	Lauren Romano	732-381-0008



For the past few years donations to keep the services provided by Drogadictos Anonimos have been invaluable. We have used the donations received to support our groups and maintain our services for free. Today, your donation is needed more than ever in order to continue our vital work with people directly affected by drug addiction, their families and the communities that need our services. All donations are direct and tax deductible. If you have any questions about donating by mail or online, please call 718-507-7459. We thank you in advance for any help you are able to provide.

<b>APRIL 26, 2020</b>	<b>OFFERTORY:</b>
Collection:	\$ 8,080.25
On-line giving:	\$ 5,340.50
	<u>\$ 13,420.75</u>
Avg. Weekly Expenses:	-\$ 20,000.00
Balance:	-\$ 6,579.30

<b>APRIL 28, 2019</b>	<b>OFFERTORY:</b>
Collection:	\$ 13,812.00
On-line giving:	\$ 2,538.00
	<u>\$ 16,350.00</u>
Avg. Weekly Expenses:	-\$ 22,781.50
Balance:	\$ 6,431.50



A Secure & Convenient Way to Give to St. John Vianney Church  
**Donate Now!**

No cash or check? No problem! Our parish offers a convenient, safe, and automatic way to contribute to our parish directly from your bank or using a credit card. Online Giving is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. You will still receive offering envelopes to present during offertory at Mass to indicate "I've given online". Online Giving is very easy to use and requires no special knowledge. If you haven't already signed up, then go to our parish website at "sjvianney.com" and select Online Giving. It's easy and safe!

**Health Alert – Coronavirus**

Amid growing national concern over the spread of the coronavirus, all parishes in the Diocese of Metuchen will enact the following precautionary measures:

***Please note that there will be NO daily or weekend Masses at all until further notice. Our Church will only be open each day from 9am – 2pm. Confession will only be available on Saturdays 11am – 12pm.***

Please continue to check the parish website [www.parish.sjvianney.com](http://www.parish.sjvianney.com) for updates.

**Self-Distancing from People not Faith**

While it is important to re-iterate that no one is able to or obligated to attend Church until further notice in hopes of reducing the spread of Coronavirus-COVID 19, we encourage everyone to cling to their faith during this time. God, our heavenly Father, is in control and will see us through this time as He always has before. During this time, we are experiencing a sense of suffering, as Jesus also was forced to endure suffering. Let us be reminded of the power of prayer and faith especially during this time.

We hope our parishioners are staying healthy and safe and taking time to focus on their faith over fear. We are fortunate enough to live in a time where we can watch Mass that is broadcast on TV or the internet and reflect on the scripture readings in the comfort of our homes when needed. We would like to take the opportunity to remind our parishioners that although you may not be here to celebrate Mass with us in person, we still greatly appreciate any selfless donations you can give, as we are all struggling during this time. This is an opportunity to take advantage of Online Giving. It is our hope that through maintaining weekly offerings, we are able and have the means to continue our routine of daily and weekend Masses as well as our other school and parish ministries/activities when all of this is resolved. We thank you for supporting our parish of St. John Vianney and pray that you are all staying healthy and safe.

May God Bless you and offer strength and healing to all.



The St. Cecelia's Food Pantry is in need of cereal, tea bags, soup, mac & cheese. Thank you for your continued support in helping to feed those in need in our community.

## S J V Youth & Young Adult Ministries

### YOUTH MINISTRY:

I encourage all teens to join in the LIVE Youth Ministry nights hosted by ProjectYM! Every Sunday log in with thousands of Catholic teens from around the nation, hear from respected speakers, praise with notable artists and engage in virtual fellowship! Email me for access and more information! There are parent resources available too!

We will continue with our Virtual Meetings on the following dates. If you would like access please send me an email! [LROMANO@SJVS.NET](mailto:LROMANO@SJVS.NET)

<b>Middle School</b>	<b>7:00-8:00pm</b>	<b>High School</b>
May 14th		May 19th
May 28th		--

*The One who walked on water will guide us  
through these uncharted channels.*

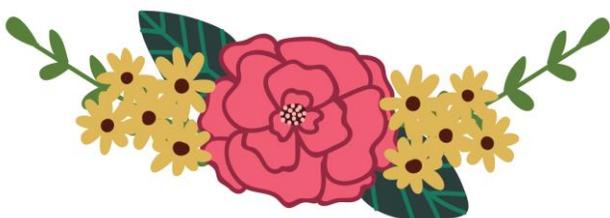
### YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:

As our time apart continues I am looking forward to our next virtual meeting! If you would like to be a part of this faith community please email me to gain access to our video call codes!

**Virtual Meetings will be on Thursdays at 8pm:  
5/14, 5/28**

This is a group for individuals (single, married, parents, etc) who are in their 20's and early 30's!

Please email me with any questions:  
[LRomano@sjvs.net](mailto:LRomano@sjvs.net)



### Music Ministry News

**Why not join one of our musical groups? We will provide updates as to when we will begin practicing again. New members are always welcome!!**

Our parish adult choir enhances our liturgies each Sunday from September through mid-June. The choir also sings for many special occasions during the year, such as: Christmas Eve Mass, Holy Week, Confirmation, and our "Mass of Remembrance" in November!! The choir also provides two beautiful concerts for the parish, one during Advent and the other during Lent. We are always looking for new people to join with our very dedicated group!! We welcome all adults (and high school students) to be part of our choir! The adult choir sings weekly at the 9am mass (and once a month at the 10:45am mass). We practice each Wednesday from 7:30pm to 9pm in the church.

### Children's Choir

Our parish children's choir is made of students from our parish from grades two and up!! The children in the group love coming together to sing for Sunday liturgies as well as special events during the year. The choir sings for our parish Christmas Pageant and 4pm mass on Christmas Eve, as well as the 9am mass on Easter Sunday!! We practice on Tuesday afternoons from 4pm to 5pm in the church. We sing twice a month at either the 9am or 10:45am mass!

### Folk Group

Our Parish Folk Group enhances the 12:15 liturgy each week. The Folk Group is under the direction of Ms. Jennie Esposito. Rehearsals are held weekly at 11:15 am in the conference room adjacent to the church gathering area. Jennie is always looking for more singers as well as instrumentalists to join with the Folk Group!!

### High School Group

This year we are going to start a new group consisting of high school students. We are reaching out to ALL high school students and parents to try to coordinate practices etc. Our hope is to have the students sing once a month at either the 10:45 or 12:15 pm mass.

You can contact me at [jframeiii@yahoo.com](mailto:jframeiii@yahoo.com) with any questions. May God's blessings be with you all,

Jamie Frame – Director of Music



**Saint of the Week:  
St. Damien de Veuster**

St. Damien grew up in Belgium until he decided to enter Religious Life around 19 years of age. He was sent to the Hawaiian Islands and served as a priest there for a few years. While volunteering on an island called Moloka'i, he became attached to the people. St. Damien was the first person to ever request to stay on Moloka'i, as it was a secluded island for people with leprosy and other illnesses. He fought for government aid to help the sick and cared for them during his time on the island. He wound up eventually contracting leprosy and died on Moloka'i. To this day, St. Damien is highly respected and honored in Hawaii. May we be inspired by St. Damien's dedication and willingness to always help those who are sick, neglected, or in need, and strive to be selfless as he was.

**ST. JOHN VIANNEY SCRIP PROGRAM**

For several years the St. John Vianney school community has participated in a fundraising program known as the Scrip Program. We would now like to open this program to the entire parish community. Scrip simply means "substitute money". When you purchase Scrip, you are purchasing gift cards that are used exactly as cash. You can use Scrip to purchase everyday items such as food, gas, clothing and other essentials. With every gift card you purchase you are earning revenue for St. John Vianney. Your gift card is worth exactly the amount you purchased it for - \$100, \$50, \$25, \$10. We earn the revenue from the vendor by purchasing it at a discount. This is a fundraiser that does not require you to spend money on things you wouldn't normally buy.

We will be selling gift cards after all masses on Sundays, including grocery stores (Acme, Fresh Grocer, Shop Rite, Stop n Shop and Wegmans); gas stations (BP, Exxon, Gulf, Shell, Speedway, Sunoco and Wawa), Home Depot, Target, WalMart, Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks and Amazon.

There are many other gift cards for purchase at the Rectory, and even more gift cards available if you order through the GLScrip company. Gift cards can be purchased with cash or a personal check. For more information, stop by the Rectory and speak with either Stephanie or Linda, or call us at 732-574-0150.

*The Pro-Life Corner*

**May 3, 2020**

This week we pray especially for all people with disabilities, may their lives always be recognized as worth protecting and fighting for, especially during times of widespread illness.



If you are a man or woman affected by abortion please check this website for information that may help you:  
<http://www.silentnomoreawareness.org/>

**Pro-Life Maternity Collection**

We accept most baby items new or used in clean condition. Especially needed are diapers size 4 thru 6, new or unexpired car seats (infant and toddler), new or gently used children's clothing in the current season.

**2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal**

*Stepping Forward in Faith: Grace in Action*

By now you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in St. John Vianney Parish. Your gift provides formation opportunities to our catechists, youth and young adults. Among other important ministries, your sacrificial gift supports our renewed efforts in Evangelization & Communication.

As most of you are aware, the Bishop has postponed the Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend that was supposed to take place on the weekend of March 21-22. A new date has not yet been announced, but we will continue to provide updates as decisions are made.

Our Parish has pledged over \$86,316.25 so far. Thank you for your support and generosity.

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Gospel Today | Fourth Sunday of Easter | John 10: 1-10

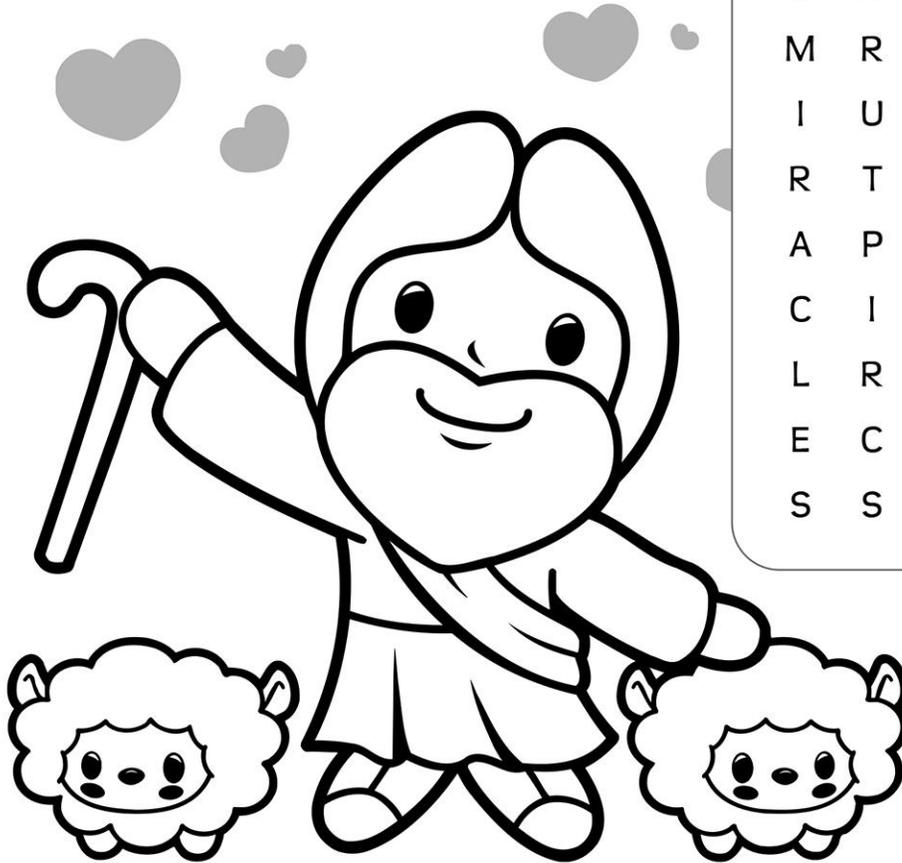
JESUS SAYS, " \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
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come follow Me. I am the Good Shepherd, you are My little lamb and we know each other. I will show you the way to My Father in Heaven."

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## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

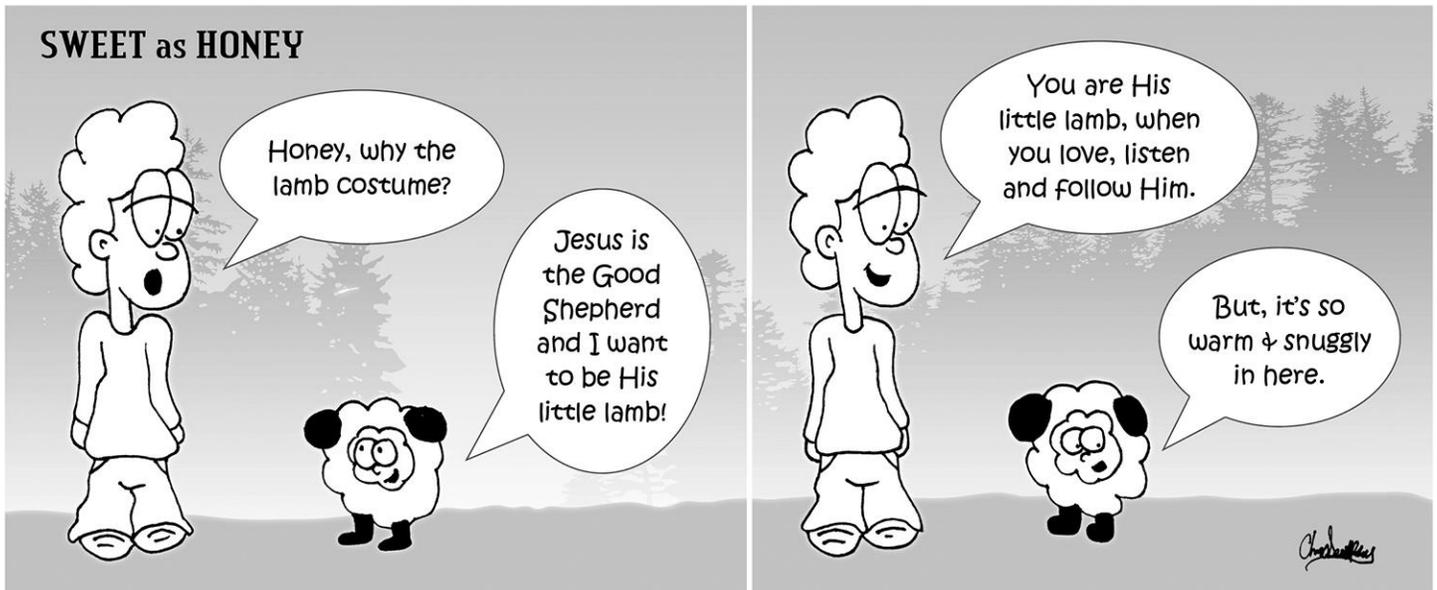
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### SWEET as HONEY



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