

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas addressed many people, and large crowds gathered to hear them. Some of the Jews became jealous, and argued with whatever Paul said. But Paul and Barnabas continued preaching their message of salvation and everlasting life, until they were eventually forced to leave the town.

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

John saw a vision of many people surrounding a throne and the Lamb. One of the elders told him these were the people who had survived great periods of trial, but maintained strong faith in God. Now they would receive eternal protection and comfort from God as reward for their loyalty.



Gospel: John 10:27-30

Jesus states that his sheep know his voice and follow him, and will receive eternal life. Jesus also says that no one can snatch his followers away, because God is greater than anyone who might try, and Jesus is one with God.



For the Week of May 12th through
May 19th

Sunday

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Monday

Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday

Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn
12:44-50

Thursday

Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

Friday

Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday

Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday

Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website, <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 11th

4:00 p.m. Mass for All Mothers

Sunday, May 12th

8:00 a.m. Mass for All Mothers

10:00 a.m. Mass for All Mothers

Monday, May 13th

8:30 a.m. Charlie and Doris Moloney

Tuesday, May 14th

8:30 a.m. Helen O'Leary Gill

Wednesday, May 15th

8:30 a.m. Mary Meyer

Thursday, May 16th

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Friday, May 17th

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, May 18th

4:00 p.m. Betty Glenn

Sunday, May 19th

8:00 a.m. Richard Graziano

10:00 a.m. Fr. Paul Campbell

REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

Remember in your prayers
the sick of the parish: *John
Troffo, Valerie Lindyberg,
Patricia Dana, Angela
Wilmer, Faith King,*

Rosemary Keating, Eugenia Brooks, Alicia Bourne,
and all those whose names appear in the PARISH
BOOK OF INTENTIONS.

NEW TO THE PARISH: Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to sacredparish.org.

**MOTHER'S DAY CARDS ARE AT THE
DOORS OF THE CHURCH, FOR MOTHERS
LIVING AND DECEASED.**



PREP

Parish Religious Education Program



Bringing the Gospel Home

Fourth Sunday of Easter – John
10:27-30

Reflection for Parents

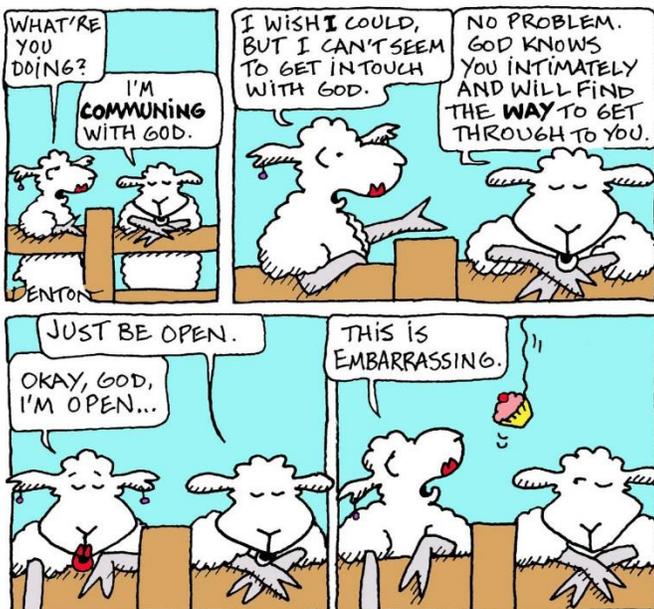
Our culture has changed since the days of our parents and grandparents when just about anyone dropped in at any time. We now call ahead and make arrangements for our children to visit friends. In comparing our own day to 50 years ago, we begin to really appreciate the invitation of Jesus to follow him, just as we are, anytime of the day or night. Where would we be if we had to call ahead to see if Jesus was available?

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Reach out to a family in your neighborhood this week by inviting them over for some “informal” fun and food. Dig out board games and snacks as you welcome them spontaneously. Keep in mind that this is how Jesus reaches out to us and let your neighbors experience God’s love through your hospitality.

Discussion Starters

1. I have a real feeling of belonging to . . .
2. I felt Jesus inviting me to follow him this week when . . .
3. Today I hear Jesus’ voice in . . .



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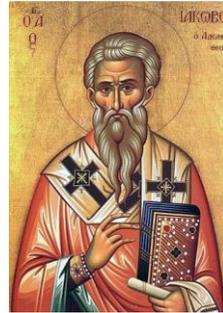
“My sheep hear my voice; I know them. No one can take them out of my hand.”

Sheepish Question:

How could I come to know the Good Shepherd as well as he knows me?

MAY SAINTS

James the Less, Apostle May 3



James the Less, ApoJames was given the nickname “the Less” so that he would not be confused with the other Apostle named James, whose feast we celebrate on July 25. We believe that it means that he was younger than the other St. James, who was called “the Greater.” James the Less was the son of Alphaeus. His mother stood at the Cross with Mary on the day Jesus was crucified.

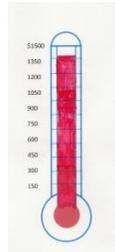
After Jesus’ Ascension, James the Less became an important part of the Church’s growth in Jerusalem. Tradition tells us that he led an important meeting of the early Church, the Council of Jerusalem, in the year 50 AD. At this meeting, St. Paul, St. Peter, and other Church leaders discussed whether Gentiles, or people who were not Jewish, could become followers of Jesus. James listened carefully to the discussion and helped the group to decide that the Church was open to all and that all people could be saved by living as followers of Jesus.

Like Philip, James was martyred for spreading the Gospel. We honor Philip and James the Less as saints on May 3. Their lives of faith inspire us to listen for the Lord’s call in our lives and to respond with love and faith.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER

Sacred Heart Parish, in partnership with Christ United Methodist Church and First United Methodist Church, is sponsoring a meal packaging event to be held on **Saturday, October 26,**

2019. Each meal costs 34 cents to process and deliver. **We have collected \$ 1,357.00** -- Just \$143 to go and we will have reached our goal of \$1500 to help cover the cost of the meals!!! Thank you to everyone who has already donated. Donations in support of this project can be placed in the regular weekly collection. Please, use a separate envelope and mark it Rise Against Hunger.



For more information about Rise Against Hunger, visit their website at www.riseagainsthunger.org, or contact Ann Anderson at 410-778-4243/ wmandersonfamily@verizon.net.

Together we can do great things!



**Offertory – Week Ending May 5th
Week 45**

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John’s are made possible. “Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold.”

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Offertory 5/5 Wk. 45	\$5,769	\$3,875	\$6,346	\$3,298
YTD Wk. 45	\$220,994	\$57,923	\$285,570	-\$6,653

HOME BOUND MINISTRY: We ask you to search your heart! Sacred Heart Home Bound Ministry is in need of



Eucharistic Ministers to visit our parishioners who are unable to attend church. For the home bound the reception of communion is not only a privilege but also a sign of support, prayers and concern shown by our parish community for its members who are ill. Bringing communion to those who cannot attend church assures them we are praying for their healing and they are not forgotten. For more information please call Diane Voshell at 973-224-3495 or e-mail diane.voshell.42@gmail.com.

SCHOLARSHIP: You are hereby invited to apply to the Father George S. Bradford Council of the Knights of Columbus to receive a financial award from the Charter Member Scholarship



Fund to assist with your educational needs. To apply, please complete the entire

application form, which is located at the doors of the Church. The completed application forms should be mailed to Ignatius Profaci at 23963 Walnut Pt. Rd., Chestertown, MD 21620, and received no later than **May 22, 2019**. If you have any questions, please contact Ignatius at 410-778-0270. Thank you.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are being sent directly to your home, bi-monthly. If you are not receiving envelopes and wish to do so, please contact Becky Davis at 410-778-3160.



ART AND ENVIRONMENT: Spring has definitely sprung and summer will be here before we know it. Gardens everywhere are blossoming. Our local environment could not be more beautiful. The

Art & Environment group is wondering if you'd like to share any of your garden success for either/both Sacred Heart and/or Saint John church decor. If so, please contact: for St. John : Millie Strong overton@hughes.net or 410-639-7365 and for Sacred Heart: Emily Moseman at emilymoseman@pobox.com or 443-282-0198 and we can arrange a convenient time to discuss what and how much you have to share. In advance, many thanks.

HOSPITAL VISITS: We are not able to access patient records from the Chester River Hospital Center. If you or someone in your family is a patient, and you wish to receive Communion, please contact the Parish Office at 410-778-3160, and provide us with the patient’s name and room number and we will do our best to accommodate the request.

REMINDER TO ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT SACRED HEART: Thank you to the ministers who volunteer to serve weekly at our liturgies. Please remember to "check in" before mass in the foyer of the church. Simply highlight your name on the schedule so that we know in advance if we need to fill positions or make changes. All ministers should check in: Lectors, Greeters, Cantors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers. Thank you for your attention to this request.

FLOWER DONATIONS:

Parishioners are invited to donate flowers in celebration of weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, and other special events. If you would like to donate flowers or place flowers in memory of a loved one, please inform Becky Davis for Sacred Heart, at 410-778-3160; or Mary Johnson for St. John’s at 410-778-2230. Thank you.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the



Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Mary Jo Frohlich with any questions at 410-778-3160, or mfrohlich@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

