

May 12, 2019

Fourth Sunday of Easter

John 10:27-30

“The Father and I are one.”

After comparing his disciples to sheep who know the voice of their shepherd and saying that they know his voice and he knows them, Jesus assures those who follow Him that they will have eternal life. He then adds that “The Father and I are one.” Today’s passage can only be understood when read in the context of the whole of Chapter 10 of John’s Gospel. Jesus uses many images of the care and concern of the shepherd for the sheep, and the total dependence of the sheep on their shepherd. They were images the disciples were very familiar with because herds of sheep with their shepherds were everywhere. In fact, they are still very common in the Holy Land today. But the message of Jesus in Chapter 10 of St. John’s Gospel is: If you believe in me, if you do as I do and imitate my care and concern and love for you, by loving one another, then my Spirit is in you. If my Spirit is in you, then you and I are one, just as the Father and I are one. Is not union with God, Father, Son and Spirit, what we are all seeking?

**\*\* Please take note, parking on the grass is NOT ALLOWED**  
**\*\* Parents please take note, Children are NOT ALLOWED in the hall during mass or to be in the classrooms after CCD Classes.**

There are blue boxes in the back of the church for different items we are collecting for charities in our community. Please consider donating these items:  
- Flip tops from soda cans, Cancelled postage stamps, plastic bottle tops from 16/20oz soda bottles, used Christmas cards, Old eyeglasses and cases.

### Confirmation

Will take place this year on June 2nd at the 11:30AM Mass

**Martha’s Ministry will have their final meeting before the summer break on Saturday May 18,2019 from 12:30—2:30 PM. This months Catholicism study on the pivotal players will be Michelangelo Part I and Part II. All ladies of the parish are always welcome and we look forward to this**

### **Clothing**

**We are only accepting summer items. Thank you Gary and Irene for doing such a great job with the clothing.**

**Happy Mother’s Day to all the Mothers of the parish. Congratulations and Happy Birthday to all our parishioners who are celebrating anniversaries and birthdays during the month of May.**

### **Volunteers needed**

Volunteers are always welcome. They are always needed to serve in the ministries such as Lay Eucharistic Minister, Lecter, Usher, Altar Server, Choir, Greeter, Church and hall cleaning etc.. If you wish to volunteer for any of these ministries please see Fr. Julian or Deacons Tom, Jack or Wayne.

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### **Parish Council**

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#### **Adult & Youth Faith Formation**

Sundays 10-11am Sep-May

#### **R. C. I. A.**

Rite of Christian Initiation for adults.

Wednesdays 7:00 PM Sep-May

#### **Weekend Mass Schedule :**

SAT 5:00PM SUN 8:30 & 11:30AM

#### **Weekday**

Mon, Thur., Fri 9:00 AM.

Wed. 6:00 PM

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# St. Michael the Archangel CATHOLIC CHURCH



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### PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

*St. 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, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.*  
*Amen.*

### Celebration of the Sacraments

**Baptism-** takes place every 3rd Sunday, during or outside of Mass. Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom, or Wayne to set a meeting to prepare for the Sacrament and set a date. Baptism for older youth and adults occurs at the Easter Vigil.

**Confession-** Saturdays, 4:30 pm, before or after any Mass or by appointment with Fr. Julian. Communal services during Advent and Lent.

**First Reconciliation-** is celebrated during Advent.

**First Eucharist-** is celebrated during May each year with children in the second grade or older.

**Confirmation-** for youth is conferred by the Bishop. Adults receive the Sacrament at the Easter Vigil or before Marriage by Fr. Julian.

**Holy Orders-** Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack or Tom if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood, Diaconate or Religious.

**Marriage-** Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack or Tom for any Marriage and Annulment need.

**Anointing of the Sick-** Anyone who is seriously ill or going to surgery should request anointing by contacting Fr. Julian.

### Opportunities for Life Hotline

Call (800) 822-5824 for help for those experiencing an untimely pregnancy.

### Nationwide Mass Times

Automated Church Lookup:

1(858) 207-6277 or log on to [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)

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**\*\*Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday**  
Email Bob Whelan at r\_a\_whelan@hotmail.com  
Or Angela Pineda at pinedaaml@yahoo.com

**WEBSITE**

St. Michael's new WEBSITE is now available at [www.stmichaelsgrove.church](http://www.stmichaelsgrove.church) Please check it out for more information. Web page POC is Jessica Carroll. She can be reached at fisherj21@yahoo.com or text to 701-371-4690 for web page input

**Blessed Mother Bookstore**  
Open: Sunday 9:30 - 11:30 am

*Come by and check us out.*

**Reading for this week 05/13-05/19**

<b>Monday:</b>	ACTS	11:1-18
	PSS	42:2-3, 43:3-4
	JN	10:1-10
<b>Tuesday:</b>	ACTS	1:15-17, 20-26
	PS	113:1-8
	JN	15:9-17
<b>Wednesday:</b>	ACTS	12:24-13:5A
	PS	67:2-3, 5-6, 8
	JN	12:44-50
<b>Thursday:</b>	ACTS	13:13-25
	PS	89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27
	JN	13:16-20
<b>Friday:</b>	ACTS	13:26-33
	PS	2:6-11B
	JN	14:1-6
<b>Saturday:</b>	ACTS	13:44-52
	PS	98:1-4
	JN	14:7-14
<b>Sunday:</b>	ACTS	14:21-27
	PS	145:8-13
	JN	13:31-33A, 34-35

**4th Sunday Of Easter YBC**

1st reading (Acts 13:14, 43-52) Paul and Barnabas preach the Gospel firstly to the Jews but they reject it, then they preach it to the Gentiles who receive it with joy.

2nd reading (Revelation 7:9, 14-17) contains a vision of those who will come through times of persecution to share in Christ's glory in heaven. "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation, they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his Sanctuary"

Gospel (John 10:27-30) Jesus, the Good Shepard and the True Shepard will not allow anyone to snatch from His care the sheep that belong to Him.

**Reflection Theme Belonging To The Flock Of A Good Shepard:**

The image of Jesus as the Shepard of the Father's flock is one of the most beautiful images we have of Him. And we owe it to Jesus Himself. This is how He described Himself and His mission. He Says "I am the Good Shepard, I know my own and my own know me and just as the Father knows me and I know the Father, and I lay down my life for my sheep". Two pertinent questions arise. First, what does belonging to His flock entail? Second, what does it mean to be a Good Shepard?

To belong to His flock essentially entails three things. The first and basic requirement is to believe in Him. We enter the flock by becoming believers. But belief is only the beginning. The second requirement is to listen to His voice. "My sheep listen to my voice". (John 10:16) To listen to His voice is to heed His teachings, and the third requirement is to follow Him, "My sheep follow me". To follow Him is to do His word.

Obviously the relationship has to be a two way thing or affair. The sheep have to choose to belong. Jesus won't or can't save people against their will. But it is wonderfully consoling to realize that if we do sincerely want and try to belong to Him, following Him and doing what He says, then He will take care of us in life and death. He promises to give us eternal life. We can pin our hopes on His word "I give them eternal life... they will never be lost eternally". (John 10:28)

The flock is an image of community. Even on a human level, we have a deep need for community. Jesus knew this. That is why He wanted His followers to live as a community. In a community we find mutual support, encouragement and companionship. We can't belong to Jesus without belonging also to His flock. The privilege of belonging is not something that is offered to a chosen few, but to everyone, Jews and Gentiles alike.

The second pertinent question is : What does it mean to be a Good Shepard? Short story: About the middle of the Nineteenth century, Saint John Bosco began to work for poor and endangered youths in the Italian city of Turin. The young people soon realized that in him they had a true friend. They so loved him, that once when he got seriously ill, they stormed heaven with their prayers, and some went so far as to offer their lives to God in his place. As it happened, John Bosco recovered. This kind of bond cannot exist unless there is closeness, and closeness involves knowing and being known.

Jesus the Good Shepard, says "I know my sheep". He knows his sheep precisely because he is a Good Shepard. There are various levels of knowing. We know some people just as a face or a name. Others we know as acquaintances and others we know as friends.

Knowing is particularly important for carers. Carers need to know those for whom they care. To know their names is a good start. But to really know them is to know their lives stories. Unless the carers know something about the world from which their clients come and to which they return, those clients will be little more than shadows to them.

This knowing has to be a two-way affair. Jesus, the Good Shepard knows His sheep and they also know Him. "My own know me". (John 10:14) Jesus is a Good Shepard to us. He wants us to have life here and eternal life after. A two-way affair. We have to respond to love. The faithful sheep listen to the voice of the Shepard and follow him. We have to get to know the Lord, listen to His word, and do it. Remember, today is Good Shepard Sunday it is also Vocation Sunday. All vocations are vocations to love. Let us welcome this vocation in Jesus' name. Amen!

**Happy Easter Season!**

**Father Julian Ibemere  
Pastor St Michael the Archangel Catholic Church**



**\*\*We have purged our sick list at the end of March. Please let us know who needs to be on it by placing the name in the collection basket.**



Dear Lord, please wrap your arms around those who are hurting today, and let them feel how much You love them.

Al Acuna  
Teresa Arevalo  
Molly Canby  
Merced Carrio  
Ann Carroll  
Ken Carrol  
Nia Crisostomo  
Karen Del Monaco  
Mike Del Monaco  
Tony Derbert  
Margeret Eck  
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Al Stein  
Fred Welter  
Marie Welter and Family  
Joseph Whelan  
Sera Whelan  
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Nancy Wojeik

**Please Pray for our Sick:**

**Gifts for God**

Regular Collection:	\$4234.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 35.00
Votive Candle	\$
Sanctuary Candle	\$
Parish Maintenance	\$ 1794.00
Home Mission	\$ 10.00
Holy Thursday	\$
Holy Land Good Friday	\$
Blessed Mother Store	\$
Hall Rental	\$ 300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6373.00</b>

May 4-5, 2019  
Total Attendance - 606

**EASTER LILLYS ARE IN THE CHURCH FOYER. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO TAKE THEM HOME**

**Every First Friday of the Month is**

Anointing of the Sick and Adoration

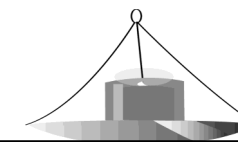
**4th Saturday of the Month Activities**

**5 Cent Bingo  
10:00am-Noon**

**Martha's Ministry (after Bingo)  
12:30PM until 2:30pm**

**Need a place to hold an event or a family gathering with friends, then why not rent the Parish Hall by contacting Dave Tilley at 931-237-5013**

**Sanctuary Candle Intention  
May 12, 2019**



**Activities/Meetings this Week:**

<b>Saturday, 05/11:</b>	
Confessions	4:300PM
Mass	5:00PM
<b>Mass Intention: : Ralph &amp; Todd Jurisin</b>	
<b>Sunday, 05/12:</b>	
MASS	8:30AM
<b>Mass Intention The Hoenlen Family</b>	
CCD Class	10:00AM
MASS	11:30AM
<b>Mass Intention: The Hoenlen Family</b>	
<b>Monday, 05/13</b>	
MASS	9:00AM
<b>Mass Intention: Janet Lombard Tuesday, 05/14</b>	
NO MASS	
<b>Wednesday, 05/15</b>	
MASS	6:00PM
<b>Mass Intention: Donna Whelan Birthday RCIA</b>	
7:00PM	Choir Practice
<b>7:00PM Thursday, 05/16</b>	
MASS	9:00AM
<b>Mass Intention Mary Kozar† Fridays</b>	
Adoration of the Eucharist is on the First Fridays of the month following Mass until 12:00PM. Every other Friday of the month after Mass until 11:00AM	
<b>Friday, 05/17</b>	
MASS	9:00AM
<b>Mass Intention: The Holy Souls in Purgatory</b>	
<b>Saturday, 05/18</b>	
Confessions	4:30PM
Mass	5:00PM
<b>Mass Intention: Jeanette &amp; Harold Watson</b>	
<b>Sunday, 05/19</b>	
MASS	8:30AM
<b>Mass Intention: Deceased Soldiers</b>	
CCD Class	10:00AM
MASS	11:30AM
<b>Mass Intention: Linda Wyatt</b>	

**Parish elections will take place on the weekend of June 8th and June 9th**

**Bulletin Board**

Have you stopped and checked out all that is going on here at St. Michael the Archangel! It is updated weekly by Lori Snodgrass. If you need anything added she can be reached at 931-919-2794.

**\*\*Clothing Ministry\*\***

We are now accepting **Summer** clothing. Clothing may be left in the Fellowship Hall Atrium. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. This is another program through Martha's Ministry.