



Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2020 — Year A

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Holy Cross

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Please join us for Mass **ONLINE ONLY**

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Saturday (Sunday Vigil) at 4:30 pm

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A Note from Father Daniel

For the last three weeks the Sunday readings have invited us to consider the risen Christ's encounters with His friends so we can realize as the disciples did that Jesus is alive and that in His resurrection Jesus is effectively transforming us.

Today we are invited to realize that Jesus does not come to us with power to rule and to judge, but in humility to love, serve and forgive. We are invited to trust God's work in us and be patient.

The Gospel presents us the image of the ideal shepherd, the perfect shepherd, the good shepherd. This was a common image for the people of Israel. The book of Genesis describes the beginning of the history of Israel in the 18th century B.C. with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, shepherds that wandered the desert territories of the Middle East looking for water and food for their sheep. About six centuries later as we read in the book of Exodus, Moses learned how to be a shepherd near Mount Sinai and was called by God to free his people from the slavery they were suffering in Egypt. Two centuries later the book of Samuel tells us that a young shepherd called David is anointed king of Israel. In Psalm 23 we find both God and the king represented as good shepherds. About four centuries later the prophets Jeremiah and Ezekiel criticize the political and religious leaders of their time as bad shepherds that do not care for their sheep and announce the coming of a new good shepherd descendant of David. This image makes it into the Gospels when Mathew and Luke present us the image of Jesus as the good shepherd that goes after the lost sheep carrying her on his shoulders. This image is a powerful image of God's mercy and love that spoke to the early Christian communities and we find representations of the Good Shepherd in the basilicas built between the second and sixth centuries A.D. Some represent Jesus as the Shepherd standing or sitting and watching closely over his sheep, others represent Jesus carrying the lost sheep in his arms or his shoulders.

The Gospel of John repeats three times that the ideal shepherd lays down his life for his sheep presenting us the image of Jesus as the ideal shepherd whose entire being is with the sheep, whose heart belongs to the sheep and is willing to lay down his life for them. As that whose universal heart has a place for all the sheep. As one who has a personal relationship with the sheep, he knows them and they know him.

The Jewish people were waiting for a messiah that would come with power to free them from Rome, but they failed to recognize that savior in Jesus the good shepherd. Sometimes we also expect God to save as by displaying power and

solving each and every one of our problems, and since this does not happen we start to doubt that the Lord is risen in our lives, working tenderly to free us from our fears and masks so that we can be who we really are, made in the image of God.

In this journey of Easter the image of the Good Shepherd invites us to trust our loving God and to be aware that Jesus is always with us, always laying down his life to save us in the Eucharist and in all the people that serve others, in all the people that we encounter as the presence of the loving God in our lives. We are once again invited to accept Jesus as our savior, a savior that guides us patiently and humbly putting aside any display of power to serve us and help us find in ourselves the strength to overcome the difficulties of life and to be who we really are, God's children, God's loving and serving presence in the world. Our messiah is one that does not come to rule and to judge but to serve and forgive. When we find ourselves serving and forgiving we are free, the resurrection is happening in us.

We are all invited to become aware of the loving presence of the Good Shepherd throughout our lives guiding us, making his resurrection happen in us. We are also invited to be the presence of that loving, serving and forgiving shepherd for others. As Catholics, our presence in the world should be a presence of service and humility in the image of the Good Shepherd.

Now, we especially need this tender image of God with us, may we make this image of the Good Shepherd a constant presence in our heart and in our imagination so we can find rest and refuge in trusting him through these difficult times:

The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I lack. In green pastures he makes me lie down; to still waters he leads me; he restores my soul. He guides me along right paths for the sake of his name. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff comfort me. You set a table before me in front of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Indeed, goodness and mercy will pursue me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of the LORD for endless days.

—Psalm 23

Today we entrust all to Our Lord the Good Shepherd.

A.M.D.G.,
Father Daniel


This week in our Parishes

Because we care about your wellbeing and ours, at this time your attendance at all services will be **ONLY ONLINE**, through our website www.netcatholic.org, our Facebook: www.facebook.com/netcatholic and our YouTube Channel (search on YouTube for: N.E.T. Catholic)

Sat. May 2	6:00 am Rise in Joy with Manny Join us Online 4:30 pm MASS (Sunday Vigil) Join us Online
Sun. May 3	8:30 am MASS Join us Online 10:30 am MASS Join us Online
Mon. May 4	6:00 am Rise in Joy with Manny Join us Online 9:00 am MASS Join us Online 12:00 noon Regina Caeli Join us Online 3:00 pm Finding Comfort in the Sacred Heart Join us Online 6:00 pm Growing in Hope, Faith, and Love with Dawn Join us Online 8:30 pm Adoration and Benediction Join us Online
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CMA Report

Saint Anthony

PLEASE DONATE we are **\$800 short** of our goal of \$9,813, we have to pay the full amount no matter what. You can donate by using the CMA envelopes in the back of the church, online at:

www.dor.org/giving/contribute-to-the-cma/
or via **TEXT MESSAGE:**

- 1)Text **CMA255** to (585) 257-2929
- 2) Follow the prompts
- 3) Register your credit or debit card.

Your CMA gift will be credited to St. Anthony Church, Groton.

You will receive an acknowledgment of your gift immediately via text or email.

A secure, easy way to make your gift today.

All Saints

PLEASE DONATE we are **\$4,500 short** of our goal of \$15,165, we have to pay the full amount no matter what. You can donate by using the CMA envelopes in the back of the church, online at:

www.dor.org/giving/contribute-to-the-cma/
or via **TEXT MESSAGE:**

- 1)Text **CMA273** to (585) 257-2929
- 2) Follow the prompts
- 3) Register your credit or debit card.

Your CMA gift will be credited to All Saints Church, Lansing. You will receive an acknowledgment of your gift immediately via text or email.

A secure, easy way to make your gift today.

Our Sacrificial Offering for the fulfilment of the Mission of Jesus Christ

As you all know, our parishes are on very tight budgets. The reality of not having public Masses with a collection is gravely impacting our finances — even through this lockdown our campuses still need to be maintained, our utilities paid, and salaries must continue.

We encourage you to use our online giving options from our website: www.netcatholic.org/donate, in order to donate to the Church. If you need assistance setting this up, please call the office at 607-241-0821. The most helpful thing would be for everyone to make their donations online: Since we have no counting teams right now and employees are working from home, Father has to gather, count and deposit all collections you mail in, on top of doing everything else. If you absolutely insist on not transitioning to WeShare, you can mail your contributions to us:

HOLY CROSS: 375 George Road, Freeville, NY 13068
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We understand that some families will face unprecedented financial challenges at this time and will not be able to contribute to the church financially, please be at peace and contribute by keeping us in your prayers.

If you and your family have been blessed with sufficient financial resources please consider not only keeping up your regular donations to the church but also making some additional donations to help us make up for the possible loss of income caused by this crisis.

Thank you very much!

Mass Intentions

Saturday (May 2), 4:30 pm

For Eleanor Carey, by Her Nieces and Nephew

Sunday (May 3), 8:30 am

For Dick Fagan, by Jeanne and Roger Pellerin

Sunday (May 3), 10:30 am

For Jim Case, by Diane and Mike Schafer

Monday (May 4), 9:00 am

For Donna Shatell, by Kathy and George Muller

Tuesday (May 5), 9:00 am

For the Protection of ALL, especially healthcare and essential workers, by the Rosary Groups

Wednesday (May 6), 9:00 am

For R. Clifford Kentner, by Kathy and George Muller

Thursday (May 7), 9:00 am

For Chuck Benson, by the Benson Family

Friday (May 8), 9:00 am

For Jerome Balvo, by the Eisenhut Family

Saturday (May 9), 4:30 pm

For Connie Fruit Fenner, by Nancy Brown

Sunday (May 10), 8:30 am

For Betty Parker, by Richard and Sharon Buechel

Sunday (May 10), 10:30 am

For Elsie Zifchock, by Richard Zifchock

Liturgical Calendar for this Week

Sunday:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

White

Acts 2:14, 22-33 / 1 Peter 1:17-21 / Luke 24:13-35

Monday: of the Fourth Week of Easter

White

Acts 11:1-18 / John 10:11-18

Tuesday: of the Fourth Week of Easter

White

Acts 11:19-26 / John 10:22-30

Wednesday: of the Fourth Week of Easter

White

Acts 12:24—13:5a / John 12:44-50

Thursday: of the Fourth Week of Easter

White

Acts 13:13-25 / John 13:16-20

Friday: of the Fourth Week of Easter

White

Acts 13:26-33 / John 14:1-6

Saturday: of the Fourth Week of Easter

White

Acts 13:44-52 / John 14:7-14

Next Sunday:

White

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 6:1-7 / 1 Peter 2:4-9 / John 14:1-12

The Altar Bread and Wine at **Saint Anthony** are offered for the intentions of **Kathleen Martin**.



The Sanctuary Candles burn this week for the following intention:

At Saint Anthony

For the Intentions of our Good Shepherd, Bishop Salvatore Matano

At Holy Cross

For the Health and intentions of our Bishop Emeritus Matthew Clark

At All Saints

For Pope Francis, our universal shepherd.



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network
UNITED STATES

Please join the Pope in praying for the following intention during the month of November 2019: **For Deacons** – We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

For Health Care Professionals and First Responders

We thank you Lord for their generosity in service at this difficult time and we pray that you keep them safe and give them strength and peace.

Kiersten Chambers - police officer in NYC, Brandi Senter; Stephanie Notar, Niki Cornelius and all the health care workers at Guthrie Medical in Cortland, and Mikayla Perkins, RN at Cayuga Medical Center. Also Anne Cornelius RN, Dr. Tim LaFrance, Dr. Russ LaFrance, Richard LaFrance PT, Jussie Street PT, Dr. Michelle Carley, Dr. Brian Nicholas, nurse Melissa Carley, Matt Youngs hospital worker, **Dr. Grant Bonavia**. Ben Cramer, Phil Thomas, Markus Hardt, Connor Moore, Johnelle Keck, Chris Keck, Susan McCarthy, John Nolan, Ellen Nolan, James Lafler, Maggie McDonald, Carrie McColester, Kevin McCormick, James Mona Dali and all the staff at Cayuga Medical Center, Megan Drake and Rebecca Drake, Carrie Stock, Katie Stevens, Don and Maria Gentry, Dr. Brendan Barrett, Jonathan Burdick, Patricia Brown, Mark Romond.

"Let us pray for them and their families. I thank God for the heroic example that they have given us in their care for the sick," —Pope Francis

For Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Angelo Alaimo, Jane Baldwin, Ginny Bradshaw, Chrissy Bravo-Cullen, Karen Brown, Phyllis Campbell, Ian Charles, Donna Cocca, Paul Conklin, Robert Deely, Jerica Duso, Lois Fahey, Pat Fairbank, Mary Falise, Gordon Gladden, Amy Grosser, Francis Hertel, Kirsten Hess, Angela Hughes, Nimr Ibrahim, Jeremiah, Autum Kenyon, Steve Kletjian, Valerie Kuramoto, Mr. Liggett, Marcus Martinez, Leah Mayor, Emma Mazingo, Joe McCarey, Betty McCarey, Lee McGill, Chavonne McKenna, Fred Mellberg, Sara Morse, Dennis Osika, Jim Oswald, Kathy Pumphrey, Karen Randolph, Geraldine Rankin, Emilie Searle, Eleanor Sorbello, Lucy Steger, Phyllis Stewart, Robert Stewart, Ethel Thomas, Melanie Toolan, Vicky Toro, Maria Unterreiner, Ellen VanSlyke Batzer, Sharon Vincent, Tom Walpole, Richard Weiss, Ryan White, Jocelyn Woods, Bob and Agnes Zavaski, and several Special Intentions. **Please keep our area servicemen & women in your prayers.**



A Note from Dawn

May is a month to celebrate and honor the Virgin Mary. If you intend to plan some flowers, why not consider making a Mary Garden? A Mary Garden is a garden dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. In a Mary Garden, which can be as small as a clay pot or as large as a city block, a statue, plaque, holy card or icon of Mary is surrounded by herbs and flowers which have special significance for her, through legends or naming. Your personal Mary Garden can even be in a pot on your windowsill, on a patio or on an indoor table. An indoor garden might be planted in a dish, planter, terrarium, glass or fishbowl.

During the Middle Ages it became popular to attribute reminders of Mary, the Mother of God, in the flowers and herbs growing around them. Violets were symbols of her humility, lilies her purity and roses her glory. They called Mary "Flower of Flowers," and named plants after her. Marigolds were Mary's Gold, clematis was the Virgin's Bower and lavender was Our Lady's Drying Plant. Began so many centuries ago, this custom can enrich our lives even in the present day. Many of the plants can be easily grown in your own Mary Garden. For example:

Marigold *Tagetes*. Mary's Gold

Used in a medieval medicine to ward off the plague, the gold of the flower symbolizes Mary's glory and place in heaven with the saints.

Columbine *Aquilegia vulgaris*. Our Lady's Shoes

Columbine is said to have sprung up wherever Mary's foot touched the earth when she was on her way to visit her cousin, Elizabeth.

Lily of the Valley *Convallaria majalis*. Mary's Tears

In England it had the name "Our Lady's Tears" because when

viewed from a distance the white flowerets gave the appearance of teardrops falling, reminding us how Mary must have wept at the death of her son. The lily of the valley is also a symbol of the Virgin Mary because of its pure white flowers, sweet smell and humble appearance.

Roses and Lillies *Rosa*, red rose. Our Lady's Rose

Roses have been symbols of Mary since earliest times. The rose, emblematic of her purity, glory and sorrow, was her attribute as Queen of Heaven and a symbol of her love for God and for Christ, her son.

Lily *Lilium*, white lily. Mary's Lily

The lily symbolizes purity and innocence. The Archangel Gabriel is often depicted in scenes of the Annunciation giving Mary a lily. Additionally, there is a white day lily that only blooms around the time of the Assumption in mid-August and is known as the "Assumption Lily" (though it is actually a variation of a hosta).

Iris a.k.a. **Fleur-de-lis** *Iris pseudacorus*. Yellow flag iris

The iris symbolizes Mary's sorrow and the sword that pierces her heart. In Chartres Cathedral in France, the famous 13th-century rose window of the north transept, which depicts the Glorification of the Virgin, includes the fleur-de-lis, which is also said to be a symbol of the Annunciation.

Other flowers include:

- Cornflower can remind us of Mary's Crown
- Impatiens can remind us of Our Mother's Love
- Morning Glory can remind us of Our Lady's Mantle
- Petunia can remind us of Mary's Praises

Parish and Community News

Birthright Collection and Fundraiser Update

Donated items for Birthright's collection for Mother's Day may be left in the nursing room at **All Saints Church**. All Saints is open for private prayer Monday through Friday 10 am - 11:45 am and 12:15-8 pm, Saturday 11am-3pm, and Sunday 3 pm- 8 pm. The **Carnation flower sale**, Birthright's annual fund drive, **will not take place** this year – donations may be mailed directly to Birthright of Ithaca.

Dryden Community Food Support Project Update

On Wednesday the 29th Mutual Aid Tompkins placed six additional Neighborhood Food Pods in locations throughout our local community. They are located at The Second Knob, Finger Lakes Spine & Body Works, Freeville Town Hall, McLean Fire Dept., Covenant Love and at the Dapp's home on Rt. 221 in Harford. You can support this project by donating supplies: this week the need includes **pasta, pasta sauce and canned fruit**. Donations can be dropped off outside the district office (at the high school) by ringing the bell located at the entrance and stepping back to wait for a staff member to collect it. The district office is open on Monday – Friday from 8am to 3pm. To learn more about this effort contact Mary Hicks at 592-1509 email communityaidtompkins@gmail.com.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re Diocese of Rochester
Case No. 19-20905

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On September 12, 2019, the Diocese of Rochester ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Bankruptcy Court has established **August 13, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date").**

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/rochesterdiocese> or call (855) 347-3773 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS MADE TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEBTOR'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.