

St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 12, 2019

Reflection on Sunday's Readings

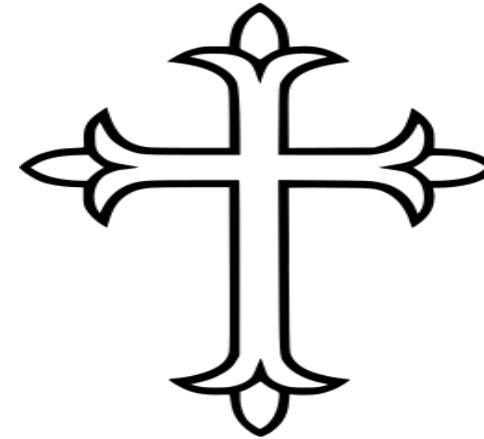
Scripture lessons summarized: Today's first reading describes how Paul and Barnabas opted to listen to the voice of Jesus the Good Shepherd and follow him, and how, like their Master, they were rebuffed and rejected when they tried to share the good news of salvation. It also suggests that the sympathy of the early Christians for the Gentiles caused a rupture with Judaism. The second reading, taken from the book of Revelation, depicts Jesus as both the glorified Lamb and the Shepherd. John's vision encourages his readers with the assurance that every person who has ever followed Christ and led others to him will share everlasting life with him. The Gospel text offers us both comfort and great challenge. The comforting message is that no one can snatch the sheep out of his Father's hands. The challenge is that pastors and lay people alike should be *good shepherds* to those entrusted to their care.

Life Messages: *Let us become good shepherds and good sheep, good leaders and good followers.*

1) Let us become good shepherds: Everyone who is entrusted with the care of others is a shepherd. Hence, pastors, parents, teachers, doctors, nurses, government officials, etc. are all shepherds. We become good shepherds by loving those entrusted to us, praying for them, spending our time and talents for their welfare, and guarding them from physical and spiritual dangers. Parents must be especially careful of their duties, thus giving their children good example through the way they live their Christian lives.

2) Let us be good sheep in the fold of Jesus, the Good Shepherd: Our local parish is our sheepfold, and our pastors are our shepherds. Jesus is the High Priest, the bishops are the successors of the apostles, the pastors are their helpers and the parishioners are the sheep. Hence, as the good sheep of the parish, parishioners are expected to **a)** hear and follow the voice of their shepherds through their homilies, Bible classes, counseling and advice; **b)** receive the spiritual food our pastors provide by regular participation in the Holy Mass, by frequenting the Sacraments, and by attending prayer services, renewal programs, and missions; **c)** cooperate with our pastors by giving them positive suggestions for the welfare of the parish, by encouraging them in their duties, by lovingly offering them constructive criticism when they are found misbehaving or failing in their duties, and by praying for them; and **d)** cooperate with our fellow-parishioners in the activities of various councils, ministries and parish associations.

3) Let us pray for vocations to the priesthood the diaconate, the mission fields and the consecrated life so that we may have more good shepherds to lead, feed and protect the Catholic community. Let us remember that the duty of fostering vocations is the concern of the whole believing community, and we discharge that responsibility primarily by living exemplary Christian lives. Parents foster vocations by creating a climate in homes based on solid Christian values.



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Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
Saturday	5.30 PM	Sacred Heart Church (July 4th to Labor day)
Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11:00 AM	Gate of Heaven

Weekday

M/T/F	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
Thursday	12:00 PM	St. Aloysius

Adoration

M/T/F	7:30 to 8.15 AM
Friday	9.00 AM to 12.00 PM

Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Eve:	5:30 PM	Gate of Heaven
Holy Day:	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	7:00 PM	St. Aloysius

Sacraments

Confession: Before all mass

Baptism: Call the rectory for the arrangement

Marriage: Call the rectory to schedule your
Wedding and pre-Cana classes.

Pastoral Visitation

When confined at home, please call the rectory to arrange for a visit and Holy Communion. Please call the rectory if you are facing surgery or hospitalization and would like the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a parish, we strive to bring our communities of Catholic Christians together, as we have for over 100 years, by loving and serving God and Each other through Worship, education and service.

MASS INTENTIONS: May 11- May 19 , 2019

Saturday, May 11

4.00 PM - Mother's day

Mon, May 13

8:15 AM - Edwin Pubil(birth day)

Thurs May 16

12.PM - Anton Hedwig Hartmann

Saturday, May 18

4.00 PM-

Sunday, May 12

9:00 AM - Mother's day

11:00 AM - Mother's day

Tues. May 14

8:15 AM - Viola Tempel

Fri. May 17

8.15AM- Maureen Lee

Sunday, May 19

9:00 AM- Helen Mrowka

11.00.AM- John Somerbenger

NOTE: No Gifts can replace offering a mass to departed soul or welfare of living. We have openings for weekdays and weekend masses. The mass stipend per mass is \$15.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED

For the Sick: Jim Engelhardt, Kevin & LarryMcHugh, Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Lilian Coy, Colleen & Jerrilynn O'Neill; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn,Christopher Merklin, Jack Tempel, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Kristi Romolo, Erma Carlson , , Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Carrie Neer-Molinari. Mary Muhlig. Scott Branning. Easton Gorr. Joyce Conroy. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh.

For the Deceased: Rita Margaret Reda, Kristine Zeh.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Is in need of spaghetti sauce, soup, tuna fish and jelly

Collection for last Week

Total: \$ 1624

Thank you

Readings for Next Sunday

Acts 14:21-27.

Revelation 21:1-5a

John 13:31-33a, 34-35.

BIBLE STUDY

Good Soil Bible Study Group will meet this week.

Time: Tuesday 4.00 PM at Church basement

Mission Appeal

We are taking the second collection for the mission of Dominican Friars. The Dominican Friars of the US were sent to East Africa (Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and South Sudan) in 1991 to plant the Order of Preachers there. First, we had to establish our communities - two were formed in the early years and today there are three communities. The formation house for our student brothers and our parish community are in Nairobi, the capital and largest city in Kenya. The Dominican Novitiate is in Kisumu, the third-largest city in Kenya. An East African Dominican province of African friars is fully participating in our charism of preaching for the salvation of souls and the building up of the Church.

Fellowship Gathering

This gathering is organized by the steering committee (parish council) on May 19 at 3.00pm in Church basement. Steering committee will present duties of parish council member. Every one is invited and it is open to the public. You are welcome to express your opinion for the wellbeing of the parish. tea, coffee and dessert will be served. Volunteers please sign in for bringing dessert , cleaning and etc.

MOTHER'S DAY

BAKE SALE & RAFFLE 2 BASKETS

See any auxiliary member for tickets

9 A.M-11 A.M

Livingston Manor Post office

Saturday, May 11, 2019

\$1.00 Each: or \$5.00 for six Drawing

May 11, 2019.

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EASTER BLESSING

Dear parishioner,

I hope you had great Easter. It is in tradition that all houses should be blessed after Easter, I would like to come to every one's home and bless. Please call the rectory and set an appropriate time for house blessing or you can leave name and phone number in the sign-up sheet and I will call you and set up the time with you. I am available on Monday (10.30 am to 8.00 PM), Tuesday (10.00 am to 2.00 pm), Thursday (2.pm to 8.PM), Friday (2.PM to 8.PM), Saturday (9.30 am to 1.PM and 6.30 PM to 8. 00. PM) and Sunday (2.PM to 8.PM). The Easter season is for forty days. We should have our house blessed before June 1.

