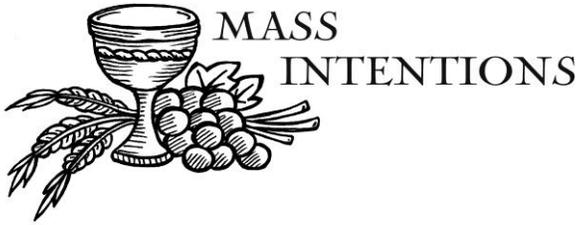


May 3, 2020
Fourth Sunday of Easter



Saturday, May 2, 2020

First Saturday
Christopher Diehl
Christine Strout

Sun. May 3rd

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Donna Konyar
(Tony & Bonnie Lupo)
People of the Parish

Mon. May 4th

Healing from Addiction

Tues. May 5th

Germaine Reid
(Marie Gross)

Wed. May 6th

Vincenzo Viterbo
(Giesi)

Thurs. May 7th

Feliciana McHale
(Ann & George Woodling)

Fri. May 8th

Rose Ann Meslener

Sat. May 9th

Mother's Day Blessings

Sun. May 10th

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ST. JOSEPH IS A TITHING PARISH

God's Plan for Giving

In return for the Lord's generosity, our people returned to God the following:

Holy Thursday:	\$ 292.00
Holy Land:	\$ 512.00
Easter Offering:	\$4,445.00
April 12-Sunday Offering:	\$3,327.00
April 19-Sunday Offering:	\$2,035.00
April 26-Sunday Offering:	\$4,230.00

The above are bank deposit amounts

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

With great authority, Peter proclaims to the people that the Christ who was crucified is indeed the Messiah. Urging them to reform and be baptized in the name of Christ, three thousand responded to his words and were baptized.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25

This is a strong exhortation from Peter to the people to endure suffering for Christ as he did for them. Healed by his wounds, they have "returned to the shepherd."

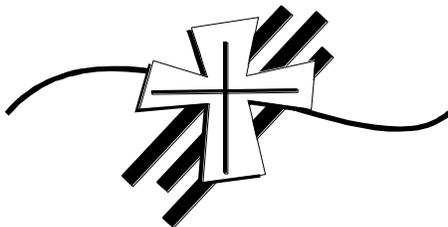
Gospel: John 10:1-10

Christ uses the beautiful image of the shepherd to describe his care for his sheep. He also says he is the sheepgate and promises that "Whoever enters through me will be safe."

Second Collections

May 10 – Mother's Day

May 17 – Repairs & Maintenance



Mother's Day Envelopes: Offerings for Mother's Day, May 10th will be deposited into our Love of Neighbor Fund. Thank you.

Sanctuary Candle burns in Memory of Josephine Kufta, requested by Marie Luzenski

From Our Pastor,

This Sunday is traditionally a day to pray for vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life, as we see Jesus as the Good Shepherd and the gateway to the sheepfold. So please, do pray this weekend that the Good Shepherd will call many men and women to holy vocations of consecrated service for the Church.

Pope Francis has asked Catholics to offer a rosary as daily as possible in the month of May for God's deliverance from the Wuhun Virus. Please pray a rosary daily if possible, in quarantine that should be rather easy to accomplish. We have more time on our hands with restricted activity.

But the truth is, unfortunately, the use of pornography is at an all time high. With good godly opportunities, the devil always comes to do evil. We have more time to come to God in prayer and the devil comes to make us his slaves. So please use this time to pray and think of God even more than ever.

Archbishop Jose H. Gomez of Los Angeles, has asked that the Catholic Bishops of the USA would join with the Bishops of Canada to consecrate their Catholic Diocese to God under the protection and patronage of Mary Mother of the Church.

So please, if you get word early, before First Friday, May 1st, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, plan to say a rosary at home at 1500, that is 3:00 p.m., this First Friday. Together with many Bishops we will consecrate our parish under the protection of Our Lady, Mother of the Church. Let this be more than a ritual, let it be a new attitude on our part, that in God's eyes we are little children, and we are in need of a loving strong willed father and a tender loving mother. Both of which Jesus on the cross gave to us.

If you want Jesus to work in your life than you must accept His life as it is, by God's design, that is as God the Father is His father, as Mother Mary is His mother, so through Christ, she is our mother. We are one family, as we are Church, she is truly the Mother of the whole Church.

St. Joseph be our protector and Mary as our Mother pray for us, and bring us God's blessing.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS ESPECIALLY: James Tomedi, Lisa Ressler, George Baran, Christine Koons, Bernice Yocum, Keith Robenolt, George Sarfine, Abram Koons Sr., Tom Robenolt, Theresa Folk, Rita Prentiss, Aiden Barsis, Connie Buehler, Mason Reeder, Maria Harper, Matthew Rosboschil, Charlotte Farrell and Jackie Rando, If you would like to have a name announced in the bulletin or if someone is well and we can remove their name, please call the parish office. After six weeks of prayer, names will be removed. If further prayer is needed please call the Parish Office at 570-742-4356 to reinstate name. Thank You. **PRAYER IS OUR WAY TO CALL UPON GOD.** We pray for those who are ill or need special intentions. If you would like to add someone to the Parish Prayer List or Parish Shut-in List, please contact the parish office. Thank You.

Church Office is closed due to the mandated quarantine. For emergencies, please call 570-742-4356. If no one answers, please leave a message.

Tithing Envelopes: In this time of crisis the church still depends on your support. Please mail your tithing envelopes to St. Joseph Church, 109 Broadway Street, Milton, PA 17847.

The Catholic Witness is going digital. Due to Covid-19, the Catholic Witness is temporarily suspending its print issues and transitioning to an all-digital format. To stay up-to-date on the latest news throughout the diocese of Harrisburg by signing up for the digital witness today. Please visit WWW.HBGDIOCESE.ORG/THE-CATHOLIC-WITNESS-NEWSPAPER/ for sign-up details.

