

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

The mercy of the Lord
fills the earth!

Cristo es el Cordero, pero también es el Pastor; es el Cordero pascual que con su sangre purificó nuestros pecados (**SEGUNDA LECTURA**) y es el Pastor que da la vida eterna a sus ovejas (**EVANGELIO**). Pero, ante todo, es el Hijo de Dios, a quien los ángeles y los santos adoran en el cielo. Precisamente, los apóstoles emprendieron su labor misionera para anunciar la salvación, en nombre del Hijo de Dios. Esa labor iba a estar llena de dificultades, pero los discípulos de Jesús la emprendieron "llenos de alegría y del Espíritu Santo" (**PRIMERA LECTURA**), sabiendo que el final del camino está Dios para enjugar las lágrimas de sus ojos.



Intenciones de las Misas

Sat. 11 04:30 pm	Vigila del IV Domingo de Pascua Mother's Day Remembrance
dom. 12 10:30 am	IV Domingo de Pascua Missa Pro Populo
Sun. 12 12:30 pm	IV Sunday of Easter Mother's Day Remembrance
Mon. 13	NO MASS
mart. 14 08:00 am	San Matias, Apostol Christina Carrillo – Birthday (Fr. Nolasco Hinojosa)
Wed. 15 08:00 am	Easter Weekday +Isidro J. Soto (Javier Soto)
juev. 16 08:00 am	Dia de la Semana de Pascua +For All Souls in Purgatory
Fri. 17 08:00 am	Easter Weekday +For All Souls in Purgatory
Sat. 18 08:00 am	Easter Weekday +For All Souls in Purgatory

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be in Memory of
+Rene & Mercedes Ramirez
(Her Children & Grandchildren)

Good News!

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

Paul and Barnabas were preaching to the Jewish people in synagogues, but today's reading reveals why they changed audiences and began preaching to the Gentiles. After initial interest was shown by the Jews, the leaders became jealous and stirred up a persecution against the apostles.

Jealousy is a powerful thing. It deafens us from perceiving the good things God wants to give us through others and turns our neighbor into an enemy. It makes us critical, unsatisfied, bitter, and discouraged. Rather than find support in our brother or sister, we lose that gift and alienate ourselves. God and peace are never found in jealousy.

God sent Paul and Barnabas to preach to the Gentiles and to bring his good news to souls who were open to hearing his voice. Humility is the virtue that helps us see the good of others and appreciate it as if it were our own.

The Good Shepherd was speaking to his flock and wanted to lead them to greener pastures, but only the humble were able to hear him and be led to those springs of life-giving water.

Beware of the dangers of jealousy and pride that make us rebellious sheep who are unable to be led and taught by those who love us most. We think we know better than God, his word, and his Church, separating from the flock and the shepherd. May God grant us a listening and humble heart, open to discovering his truth through the Good Shepherd who constantly wants to speak it to us.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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Dear Padre

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My young son asks, "If Jesus was Jewish, then why are we called Catholics?"

Jesus was a first-century Jew, as were his first disciples. They continued their Jewish practices after Jesus' resurrection, but they believed and proclaimed that he was the long-awaited Messiah, the fulfillment of Judaism. Such claims inevitably led to clashes with Jewish authorities, as when Stephen, the first martyr, was charged with blasphemy and stoned to death in Jerusalem in ad 36 (Acts 6-7). Nevertheless, Jesus' followers initially saw themselves as reformers of Judaism—not founders of a new religion.

The Acts of the Apostles traces the first thirty years of this community of believers, from Jesus' ascension in Jerusalem to Paul's imprisonment in Rome. It details the beginnings of their separation from Judaism, as when the Jewish disciples wanted to impose certain practices of Mosaic Law on the Gentile disciples—circumcision, for example (Acts 15:1). Acts and the epistles also chronicle their expansion outside of Jerusalem to the Mediterranean region—where, for example, in Antioch, the disciples of Jesus were called Christians for the first time (Acts 11:26). The first written reference to "Catholic Church" is from St. Ignatius of Antioch around the year 107. *Catholic* means universal.

"The Church is catholic: she proclaims the fullness of the faith. She bears in herself and administers the totality of the means of salvation. She is sent out to all peoples. She speaks to all men. She encompasses all times. She is missionary of her very nature" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 868).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

O patient God,
you never tire of waiting for each of us
to grow into the person
you created us to be.
Bless mothers as they wait.
Give them wisdom to know
when to offer help and when to be
silent.
Help them to love as you do,
willing always to forgive and
encourage.
Grace them with faith to see their
children
not only as they are
but also as the beautiful reflection of
yourself
that they are becoming.

Mary van Balen Holt

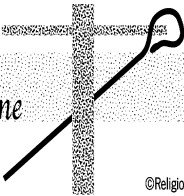
THE ANNUAL BLUE MASS

The Diocese of Laredo will be celebrating the Annual Blue Mass at St Patrick on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 12:00 pm. The Annual Blue Mass honors men and women in law enforcement who admirably fulfill their duty to serve and protect our community. Everyone is invited to attend!

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Eva Escamilla, Ruby Ann Inocencio, Guadalupe Gonzalez, Oscar Noriega, Justin Pecina, Jorge Martinez, Fidela Ruiz, Dora Rodriguez, Pedro Malacara, Sister Thelma I. Gallegos, Ana Maria Trevino, Genoveva Ramirez, Deisy Garcia, Esther Salinas, David Riojas, Reynaldo Reyna, Victoria Carrillo, Chelo Ruiz, Camila Elen Garza, Alan Eliseo Perez, Maria Lopez, Alicia Herrera and Francisco Miranda.

*My sheep hear my voice
I know them and they follow me*



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Colecta de la Semana Pasada
Envelopes: \$ 2,637.00
Loose: \$ 521.00
Children's Envelopes: \$ 142.50
Total Sunday Collection: \$ 3,300.50
Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 1,084.39

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENT

REHEARSAL FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Those receiving First Holy Communion on May 19 will have mandatory rehearsal on Saturday, May 18 at 9:00 am at the church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communions will be held on Sun., May 19 at 12:30pm Mass.

REHEARSAL FOR CONFIRMATION

Those receiving Confirmation on May 26 will have mandatory rehearsal on Saturday, May 25 at 9:00am at the church.

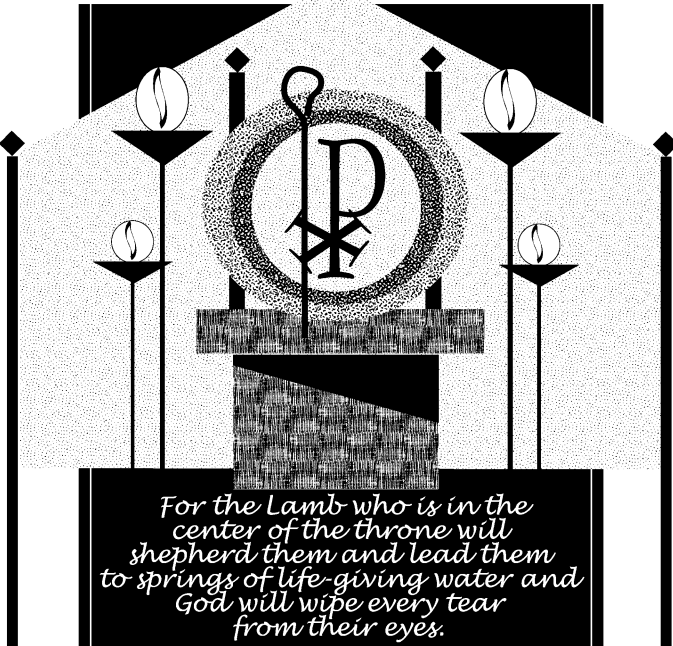
CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 26, at 12:30pm at the church.** Candidates and sponsors, including adults, must be in the church hall no later than 11:30am.

ATTENTION GRADUATES OF OUR PARISH



Only prospective graduates of our parish (High School & College) are invited to participate in the celebration of Mass on Sunday, June 09 at 12:30 noon. If you plan on participating, please call the Parish Office and give us your name on or before May 27; we have a gift for you.



For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water and God will wipe every tear from their eyes.

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