

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 12, 2019

*"I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."*

— Acts 13:47b

### SHEPHERDS LIKE JESUS

Each year this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrates Jesus the Good Shepherd. Today's Gospel seems especially timely, for as Christians worldwide suffer persecution like Paul and Barnabas, Jesus promises his sheep enduring, invincible safety: "They shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." But we who are free to live our faith peacefully sometimes take our membership in Jesus' flock for granted, wandering astray to seek our own pleasure and prosperity. The simple cross that Pope Francis always wears seems to show us how Jesus responds to that. Francis's cross features an image of Jesus, who has sought and found a lost sheep, then joyfully set it on his shoulders to carry it gently home. May Good Shepherd Sunday inspire us, so often lost and found ourselves, to assist Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home our fellow precious lambs. © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

**Psalms** — We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

**Second Reading** — I had a vision of a great multitude (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

**Gospel** — My sheep hear my voice; I know them and give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

### OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
<b>Last Week's Collection</b>	\$1,458.00	\$953.00
Number of Families contributing	118	101
Total Pledge for 2019	\$167,031.00	\$163,188.00
Pledged to Date (18 Weeks)	\$58,403.00	\$57,008.00
Received to Date	\$50,494.00	\$41,571.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$7,909.00	\$15,437.00

### LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2019
\$144.00	\$4,492.00

Nineteen ladies made a contribution last week.

### PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2019
\$50.00	\$22,767.00

Five people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

### BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$185,900.00
Total Received	\$9,222.00

34 **CHILDREN** contributed \$126.00.

**POOR BOX** totaled \$30.00.

The **ATTENDANCE** for last Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass was 90, 7:00p.m. Mass was 150; and Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass was 120.

### SCRIPTURE ABOUT MOTHERHOOD

*Exodus 20:12*

*Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God is giving you.*

*Proverbs 1:8*

*My son, hear the instruction of your father, and do not forsake the law of your mother.*

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

**My mom is a LIAR! I was born into a poor family. Most of the time we didn't have enough food to eat. At mealtimes, my mother would give me a portion of her rice to eat and say, "I'm not hungry."**

**When I was growing up, my mother spent her spare time fishing. While I ate a delicious fish soup, she would eat the remaining meat off the bones. She would say, "Eat the fish son! I don't like fish."**

**Then when I was a Junior in High School, my mother took two extra jobs. One winter night, I woke and saw that my mother was working to cover her extra work load. "Mother, go to sleep!" I said. She just smiled and said, "Go to sleep dear, I'm not tired."**

**After, the death of my father our financial situation became worse. My uncle who helped us out every now and then advised my mother to marry again, but she said, "I don't need love."**

**After I finished school and got a good job, I told her to live with me and take rest. But she refused, "I have enough money. I'm not used to that kind of life son."**

**In her old age, she got stomach cancer. Now, it was evident that the disease had ravaged her body. But my mother said: "Don't cry my dear. I'm not in any pain."**

**After telling me this last lie, my dearest mother closed her eyes, this time forever.**

*Our mothers are a blessing here on earth. For those of us lucky enough to still have our mother, we must take every opportunity to thank them for their love, appreciate them for every sacrifice and help them through every hardship. You never know when might be our last chance.*

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Apple's in loving memory of Betty Apple on Mother's Day;
2. the Family of Pat L.'s Ann Marie in loving memory of her on Mother's Day and in loving memory of Rosie Girl Carroll on the 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her death and Mother's Day;
3. the Family of Betty Costello in loving memory of her on Mother's Day;
4. the Family of Black Pete's Winne Ann in loving memory of her on Mother's Day;
5. the Family of Mary Francis Rouk in loving memory of her on Mother's Day;
6. the Family of Mary "O'Malley" Carroll in loving memory of her on Mother's Day;
7. the Family of Jr.'s Bridget Ann in loving memory of her on Mother's Day;
8. the Family of A's Margaret and Bush's Bridget in loving memory of them on Mother's Day;
9. the Children and Grandchildren of Jack's Cathy in loving memory of her on Mother's Day;
10. and a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** The Banns of Marriage are announced for the first time for Pat Thomas Costello and Tinsley Sherlock.

**WHAT IS A MOTHER**

*Mothers are the sweetest gift from God to us. There is no way we can ever really thank our mother for all she does for us, nevertheless we must make it a habit to keep reminding ourselves of the various sacrifices she made while raising us. Mother's Day is the best time to say in words how much you love and care for your Mom.*

**Rev. Cherian Thalakulam, C.M.I.**  
**Wishes A Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers of St. Edward Family.**

**7:00 P.M. MONDAY MASS** Beginning this Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> Mass on Mondays will be at 10:00 A.M. until further notice.

**7:00 P.M. SATURDAY MASS** Next Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> will be the last 7:00 P.M. Saturday Mass until further notice.

**MAY PROCESSION** The Crowning of Our Blessed Mother will be held next Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.

**THANK YOU** to a member for a \$100 donation in thanks to God the Father, Infant of Prague, St. Joseph, Blessed Mother, and St. Expedite for a favor received; and also to two members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** The second collection this weekend will be for *Catholic Charities*. Please be generous.

**ADDICTION PROBLEMS** If you are struggling with addiction or know someone who is, and would like to talk to someone please call Richard Harmon 803-270-8376.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK** A boy says, "Daddy, Daddy, I want to get married!"

The Father says, "For that son, you have to have a boy and a girl."

The son says, "I've found a girl."

"Who?"

"My grandmother."

"Let me get this straight," the father says. "You want to marry my mother? You can't do that."

"Well, why not?" the son says. "You married mine!"

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday:** Mother's Day; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- Monday:** Our Lady of Fatima
- Tuesday:** St. Matthias
- Wednesday:** St. Isidore the Farmer
- Saturday:** St. John I; Armed Forces Day

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday:** For the repose of the souls of Pat L.'s Ann Marie and Rosie Girl Carroll on Mother's Day.
- Tuesday:** For the repose of the soul of Jay Carroll on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of his death.
- Wednesday:** In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague for all the sick, and St. Joseph for all the souls in purgatory.
- Thursday:** For Pete Suedle Carroll.
- Friday:** In honor of the Holy Souls and Precious Blood.

**READERS**

**Sat. May 11<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Rita Riley & Grace  
**Sat. May 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.** Carolyn & Jay

**Sun. May 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Jimmy Joseph & Bridgett Anna

**Sat. May 18<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Joy & Leah  
**Sat. May 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.** Christina & Natalie

**Sun. May 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Jimmy Joseph & Bridgett Anna

**READERS – WEEKDAYS**

- Monday** - Reed
- Tuesday** - Karen
- Wednesday** - Natalie
- Thursday** - Kara
- Friday** - Cheryl

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND**

**Saturday 4:00 P.M.** **May 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Front Bridget Ann  
Left Cup Winnie Ann

**Sunday 10:00 A.M.**

**May 12<sup>th</sup>** **May 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Pete Man's Nora Pete Man's Nora  
Rose Marie Rose Marie

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY**

- Monday** Winnie Ann
- Tuesday** Pete Man's Nora
- Wednesday** Rosie Cat
- Thursday** Betty Jo
- Friday** P.A.'s Ann Marie

**A MOTHER'S LOVE**

*My Mother, my friend so dear,  
Throughout my life you're always near.  
A tender smile to guide my way,  
You're the sunshine to light my day.*

*Of all the special joys in life,  
The big ones and the small,  
A mother's love and tenderness  
Is the greatest of them all.*

*There is no blessing  
Quite so dear;  
As a mom like you  
To love year after year.*

**~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~**

**A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER FOR YOU**

*I said a Mother's Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tenderhearted love. I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through the years, for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears. And so, I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be.*