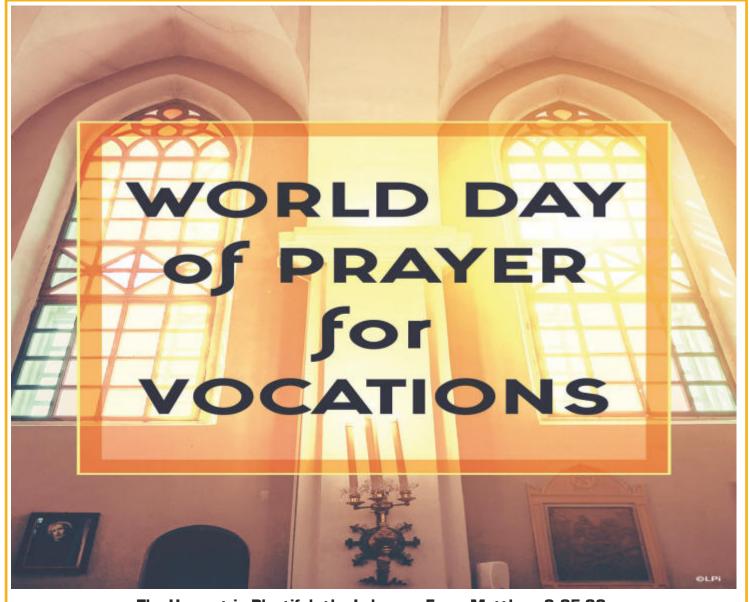


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We continue the work of Jesus Christ, to Unleash the Gospel and help everyone seek and experience the love and mercy of God.



The Harvest is Plentiful, the Laborers Few-Matthew 9:35-38

This Week:

There will be no morning Masses this week due to the new carpet installation. Thank you for your understanding.

Monday, April 26th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Tuesday, April 27th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Wednesday, April 28th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Thursday, April 29th

9:00 a.m.- No Mass

Friday, April 30th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Saturday, May 1st

10:30 a.m. - Confession 11:00 a.m. - Divine Mercy

Chaplet & Rosary

11:30 a.m. - Mass

4:00 p.m. - Mass

Sunday, May 2nd

8:30 a.m. - Mass

11:00 a.m. - Mass



The next 7 p.m. Polish Mass will be announced after the carpeting is completed.



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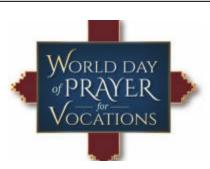


Father Bogdan and the parish of St. Faustina offer sincere sympathy to the family of

Margaret Borucki

We commend her to the Lord. May she rest in peace.

Amen.



Readings for the Week

April 25, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4

[cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5,

6-7 [117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3,

5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-

22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-

11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab,

3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 13:54-58

Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-

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Mass / Presider	Intentions
Saturday May 1 st 4:00 p.m. Fr. Paolo Tanzini	⊕James Wisniewski (1st Anniv) req by Wife Jacqueline ⊕Laurie Loiacano req by Husband Sam ⊕Jeff Loiacano req by Father ⊕Rosalie Loiacano req by Brother ⊕Stella Tomczak req by Nieces and Nephews ⊕Ray Skinner req by Wife ⊕Jim Bloom (17th Anniv) req by Family •Cyndi Vitale for Health req by Family ⊕Gerald Labiak req by Ron & Caol Krecioch
Sunday, May 2 nd 8:30 a.m. Fr. Paolo Tanzini	⊕Anna & Jerry DiGirolamo req by Daughter June
11:00 a.m. Fr. Paolo Tanzini	⊕Patricia Konkel req by Gretchen Tatge ⊕Andrzej Jakobek req by Family ⊕Helena Wilga req by Family ⊕Dubiel Family req by Family ⊕Bogdan Family req by Family ⊕Lis Family req by Family ⊕Victor Peicyk req by Family



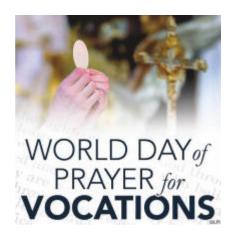
The Parish Councils, Commissions and Staff extend their deepest sympathy to Fr. Bogdan on the loss of his brother.

Please keep Fr. Bogdan and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Faustina Conference

Our SVdP Conference is very grateful for extremely generous donations in the recent months. Our pantry is very well stocked and we encourage any parishioners who know of neighbors near you who need food assistance to contact us. We do request small sizes of any condiments such as ketchup, mustard, salad dressings, juices. Many of our food orders are for senior citizens so small sizes are much appreciated. If you know of any one house bound who needs food assistance, please contact us at our office at 586-773-9231. We also have an email: faustina.svdp@yahoo.com



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Good and gracious God,
You call each person by name
and invite them to follow you.
On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations,
may each person hear and respond
to the call they have received.
We pray for all discerning marriage,
the chaste single life, consecrated life,
or ordained ministries,
that your Holy Spirit would guide,
inspire, and strengthen them.
May your Church and the world
be enriched by the "yes" of your children.
Amen.



A Father in the Shadows

The Polish writer Jan Dobraczynski, in his book the Shadow of the Father, ²⁴ tells the story of St. Joseph's life in the form of a novel. He uses the evocative image of a shadow to define Joseph. In his relationship to Jesus, Joseph was the earthly shadow of

the heavenly Father. He watched over him and protected him, never leaving him to go his own way. We can think of Moses' words to Israel: "In the wilderness...you saw how the Lord your God carried you, just as one carries a child, all the way that you traveled" (Dt 1:31). In a similar way, Joseph acted as a father for his whole life. ²⁵ Fathers are not born but made. A man does not become a father simply by bringing a child into the world but by taking up the responsibility to care for that child. Whenever a man accepts responsibility for the life of another, in some way he becomes a father to that person. (Cont'd on page 6)

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said:
"Leaders of the people and elders:
If we are being examined today
about a good deed done to a cripple,
namely, by what means he was saved,
then all of you and all the people of Israel
should know

that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean

whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead;

in his name this man stands before you healed. He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.

There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

Responsorial Psalm 18:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

R. (22) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his kindness endures forever.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Second Reading:

1 Jn 3:1-2

Beloved:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like

for we shall see him as he is.

Alleluia

Jn 10:14

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 10:11-18

Jesus said:

"I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away,

and the wolf catches and scatters them.

This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd,

and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;

and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold.

These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice,

and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

This is why the Father loves me,

because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own.

I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again.

This command I have received from my Father."

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



A Father in the Shadows (Cont'd from page 3)

Children today often seem orphans, lacking fathers. The church too needs fathers. St. Paul's words to the Corinthians remain timely: "Though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers: (1 Cor 4:15). Every priest or bishop should be able to add, with the apostle: "I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel" (ibid.). Paul likewise calls the Galatians "my little children, with whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you!" (4:19).

Being a father entails introducing children to life and reality. Not holding them back, being overprotective or possessive but rather making them capable of deciding for themselves, enjoying freedom and exploring new possibilities. Perhaps for this reason, Joseph is traditionally called a "most chaste" father. That title is not simply a sign of affection but the summation of an attitude that is the opposite of possessiveness.

Chastity is freedom from possessiveness in every sphere of one's life. Only when love is chaste is it truly love. A possessive love ultimately becomes dangerous: It imprisons, constricts and makes for misery.

God himself loved humanity with a chaste love; he left us free even to go astray and set ourselves against him. The logic of love is always the logic of freedom, and Joseph knew how to love with extraordinary freedom. He never made himself the center of things. He did not think of himself but focused instead on the lives of Mary and Jesus.

Joseph found happiness not in mere self-sacrifice but in self-gift. In him, we never see frustration but only trust. His patient silence was the prelude to concrete expressions of trust.

"Fathers are not born but made. A man does not become a father simply by bringing a child into the world but by taking up the responsibility to care for that child."

Our world today needs fathers. It has no use for tyrants who would domineer others as a means of compensating for their own needs. It rejects those who confuse authority with authoritarianism, service with servility, discussion with oppression, charity with a welfare mentality, power with destruction.

Every true vocation is born of the gift of oneself, which is the fruit of mature sacrifice. The priesthood and consecrated life likewise require this kind of maturity. Whatever our vocation, whether to marriage, celibacy or virginity, our gift of self will not come to fulfillment if it stops at sacrifice; were that the case, instead of becoming a sign of the beauty and joy of love, the gift of self would risk being an expression of unhappiness, sadness and frustration.

When fathers refuse to live the lives of their children for them, new and unexpected vistas open up. Every child is the bearer of a unique mystery that can only be brought to light with the help of a father who respects that child's freedom. A father who realizes that he is that he is most a father and educator at the point when he becomes "useless," when he sees that his child has become independent and can walk the paths of life unaccompanied.

When he becomes like Joseph, who always knew that his child was not his own but had merely been entrusted to his care. In the end, this is what Jesus would have us understand when he says, "Call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven" (Mt 23:9).

In every exercise of our fatherhood, we should always keep in mind that it has nothing to do with possession, but is rather a "sign" pointing to a greater fatherhood. In a way, we are all like Joseph: a shadow of the heavenly Father, who "makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and send rain on the just and on the unjust" (Mt 5:45). And a shadow that follows his Son.

"Get up, that the child and his mother" (Mt 2:13), God told St. Joseph.

The aim of this apostolic letter is to increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and his zeal.

To be continued next week.

ST. FAUSTINA

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More information about the Archdiocese's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect.aod.org.

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Parishioners may register in person, by phone, or online.

Baptism

At least one parent needs to be registered, active and a practicing Catholic for at least six months. A Baptismal Preparation Class is required for both parents and godparents. The church requires that at least one of the godparents be an active and practicing Catholic. For more information call the Parish Office.

Marriages

Arrange at least six months in advance.

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Pastoral Staff members visit the sick in the hospital when possible and take Communion to the sick and homebound regularly. Names of the sick should be reported to the Parish Office.



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the Parish Office or send an email to stfaustina@comcast.net

St. Faustina is extending a personal invitation to you so that we can help with your spiritual needs.

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