



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

— ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD —

MAY 8, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS SCHEDULE

**Masses are currently being held
in the St. Dominic Savio Center
to the right of the school.**

MASS TIMES

Saturday..... (Vigil) 4:00pm

Sunday..... 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm

..... (Spanish) 3:00pm

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday..... 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily
and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL - Currently closed for repairs.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will
take place every day from 9am till 9pm in
the St. Dominic Savio Center, except during
weekend Mass times.

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Do we hear and follow? Before we can welcome Jesus as the Good Shepherd, we have to hear his voice. God's voice breaks into the dialogue of our lives in myriad ways, but we have to be attentive and receptive in order to hear it. It comes through the beauty of creation, the warmth and energy of love, the gift of compassion both received and given, the sacred miracle of life, and the orderly and purposeful design of things and in the truth found in God's commandments. Once we see the wisdom behind the commandments and teachings God places before us and are attentive to listening for His direction, we can begin to take the necessary steps and follow Him. We are easily misled and there are many convincing "shepherds." Only one is Good. It is only the Good Shepherd who can lead us away from the evils that can hurt us and bring us to the good. We may not always like where God asks us to go, and it may not be the path others prefer to take. But we have to follow it because we trust that our kind Shepherd will keep us safe. ©LPi

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 9

8:30 am Marilyn Torres

Tuesday, May 10 • St. Damien de Veuster

8:30 am Special Intention, Steve Navarre, Tom & Teresa Bautsch

Wednesday, May 11

8:30 am Special Intention

Thursday, May 12 • Sts. Nereus and Achilleus • St. Pancras

8:30 am Priscilla Hoffman

Friday, May 13 • Our Lady of Fatima

8:30 am Zulma Williams

Saturday, May 14 • St. Matthias

4:00 pm Rick Gaille, Grady Duff, Jr., Scott Duff, Deceased members of KC Council 9623, Living & deceased members of the Carmen & Ronald Perilloux Family, Marilyn Torres, Melancon & Fisher Families, Byron & Thelma Melancon, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Melvin & Nellie Powell, Brandon Pollet, Deacon Paul & Philip Dupuy, Edith Layton, Eleanor LeBoeuf, James Perilloux, II, Special Intention

Sunday, May 15 • Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am All Souls, Nguyen Family, John Snyder, Sr., Bernadette Labat, Mae & Alton Berthelot, Sr., Lester Savoie
10:30 am Edward Stephen Lowry, Jr.
3:00 pm (en espanol) Douglas Fajardo
7:00 pm Our Parishioners

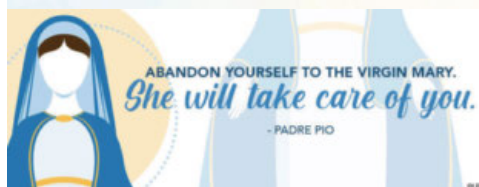


VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

In Memory of John Snyder, Sr.

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

Recovery of AOL Parish



Blessing of Mothers

During the season of Easter, what a great time to remember our mothers and ask for God's blessing on them. It is God who ultimately gave us life. It is through God's unselfish love--mirrored in our mothers' willingness to associate their love with God's and take the risk to love us into life--that we have the opportunity for life. We remember our mothers this Mother's Day with much love. Let us pray for each of them:

*God our heavenly Father,
you give to each the ability to share your generative love.
Bless those women in our lives who mirror your love
and bring forth life through their willingness
to risk bringing new life into this world.
Help us to show them our gratitude
for the gift of life and the gift of a mother's love.
May our life-giving God continue to bless them
and show them his unfailing love.
We ask this through Jesus, God's Son and our brother.
Amen.*

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AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

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.*



TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION

Parishioner and Seminarian **Cory Ford** will be ordained into the Transitional Diaconate by Archbishop Aymond on **Saturday, May 21st** at 10:00am at the St. Louis Cathedral. Cory will deliver

his first homily at the 10:30am and 7:00pm Masses on **Sunday, May 22nd** here at Ascension of Our Lord. Please join us in praying for Cory and thanking him for answering God's call to vocations. There will be a small reception with light refreshments under the breezeway following the 10:30am Mass on May 22nd.

A poster for the "CHOSEN" Diocesan Priesthood and Religious Life Discernment Retreat. The top section features three heart icons with different symbols inside. Below them, the word "CHOSEN" is written in large, bold, yellow letters. Underneath, it says "Diocesan Priesthood and Religious Life Discernment Retreat" and "featuring Fr. Josh Johnson and Sr. Josephine Garrett". The dates "JUNE 3-5, 2022" are in yellow, followed by "St. Joseph Abbey in Covington, Louisiana" and "All men and women 18-40 are eligible to attend." The bottom left has a QR code, and the bottom right shows three nuns in white habits standing in front of a crucifix. At the very bottom, it says "Scan the QR code to register or visit www.diobr.org/vocations".

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one." — Jn 10:27-30

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

A poster for the "REVEALED" experience. It features a large, smiling portrait of Fr. Mike Schmitz. Above the portrait, it says "FREE" in a blue banner and "May 13-15, 2022". The word "REVEALED" is in large, bold, blue letters. Below it, it says "BECOME WHAT YOU ARE" and "NEW LIVE IMMERSIVE 3-DAY EXPERIENCE". At the bottom, it says "FR. MIKE SCHMITZ" in large white letters and "www.RevealedExperience.com".

Join us for free as the top Catholic voices come together to share the good news of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body teachings as it applies to the most pressing issues in today's culture. Learn more and register for free at <https://www.revealedexperience.com>.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday, May 9

6:00 pm Parish School of Religion

Tuesday, May 10**Wednesday, May 11****Thursday, May 12**

7:00 pm Pastoral Council - Parish Office

Friday, May 13

11:00 am Rosary for Peace - Savio Center

Saturday, May 14 • Team 3**Sunday, May 15 • Team 3**

8:30 am Altar Society Monthly Mass - Savio Center



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



Come Let Us Adore!

Adoration is being held in the St. Dominic Savio Center (the temporary Church) every day from 9:00am to 9:00pm, except when Mass is being celebrated or a special activity is being held.

Please understand that continuing Adoration while sharing the St. Dominic Savio Center with other ministries has been difficult.

Personal prayer time with Jesus refreshes our lives and feeds our souls.

Patience and love is necessary during this rebuilding process.

Thank you for your commitment.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANointing OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at 985-652-2615.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

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Kids Corner

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Your daddy knows when you are talking to him. You know when your daddy is talking to you. Your eternal Father wants you to recognize his voice, too. God's voice always says good things to you. His voice warns when you are in danger. He tells you the right thing to do. He tells you how to stay away from bad things. His voice keeps you on the road to heaven. Listen to him.



PRAYER

I want to recognize and hear your voice, O God.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will pray for the children who cannot hear anyone's voice at all.

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The Sheep and the Shepherd

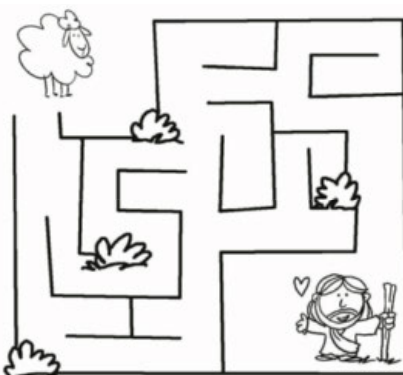
In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us about His sheep. Do you know who His sheep are? We are His sheep! He loves us and protects us just like a shepherd cares for his sheep. And what do the sheep do in return? They listen to His voice and follow Him.

We also hear about Jesus being called the "Lamb of God." When He became man, He was like one of the sheep in God's sheepfold. But He was not the same as all the rest of us. He never did any sins Himself, but he died for us on the cross to save us from our sins. That is why at every Mass we say, "Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us."

Now that Jesus is not visibly here on earth, He has left us another shepherd to care for His flock. Do you know who that is? It's the pope! God gives him grace to guide and protect the Church. Can you say a Hail Mary for Pope Francis today?

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Help the sheep find Jesus.



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SAINT OF THE WEEK EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH

St. Damien de Veuster
Feast Day May 10

People may be familiar with leprosy from Biblical times, but not so much in the 1800s. However, St. Damien de Veuster of Moloka'i (January 3, 1840 – April 15, 1889) would eventually shed a light on the effects of this devastating disease and allow people to see those afflicted with it with more compassion and love.

Born Joseph de Veuster in Tremelo, Belgium, he quit school at 13 so he could work on the family farm. Feeling called for more, however, he entered the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary six years later, where he took the name of a fourth-century physician and martyr. His brother, a priest from the same congregation, fell ill and was unable to go to his assigned location. Damien quickly volunteered in his place and found himself on the Hawaiian Islands in 1864. Two months after arriving, he was ordained a priest of Honolulu and assigned to the Island of Hawaii.

In 1873, he visited the Hawaiian government's leper colony on the island of Moloka'i, where he petitioned to stay permanently to care for their physical, medical, and spiritual needs. After years of working to improve their location and those who lived there, he contracted Hansen's disease and died of its complications. St. Damien was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on October 11, 2009. ©LPi



REFLECT - QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading

We hear today how Paul and Barnabas were met with resistance and hostility in Pisidian Antioch on their first missionary journey. How do you not get discouraged when your spiritual journey is difficult?

Second Reading

During John's vision of heaven, he often has "one of the elders" teach him about the vision he is seeing. Who has been a good spiritual guide for you?

Gospel

Jesus speaks of an unbreakable solidarity between him and those who follow him ("my sheep"). In what ways do you experience this unity with Jesus already in your faith? ©LPi



RESPONDING TO THE CALL

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Reluctant Sheep

Sheep get an awfully bad rap, linguistically. Some are quick to label people as "sheep" if we think they haven't sufficiently questioned authority or if they're too willing to go along with someone else's plan. We say someone has "the wool over their eyes" if they aren't willing to see what we think is very obvious. "A wolf in sheep's clothing" is what we call someone looking to take advantage of those too gullible to identify a real threat.

Taking all this into account and considering how often we are referred to as sheep in Scripture, you've really got to wonder if God is trying to tell us something about ourselves.

If you look at the phraseology associated with sheep, it's no wonder that nobody wants to be one. Sheep are innocent. Sheep can't protect themselves. They're vulnerable and easily misled.

We want to see ourselves as the opposite of all that. We like to think we're shrewd, with plenty of common sense. We want to believe that we don't have to rely on anybody for anything. We would sooner identify with the wolf than with the sheep — at least the wolf can take care of himself.

We do this because we often resist the need to rest in the greatness of God. Like a child walking to school alone for the first time (forgetting his mom is following watchfully in the car), we want to think we can handle it all by ourselves.

The truth is that God is trying to tell us something by comparing us to sheep: You don't have to do this on your own.

Every time I look at an obstacle and think that there is no way around it, I am forgetting that I have a shepherd who knows the location of the gate.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17
Next Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35


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