

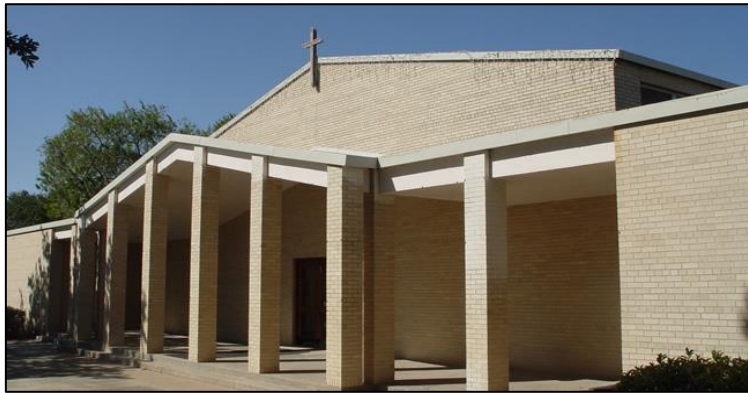
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ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON – MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST. PAUL

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 25 2021

“TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN”



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NEW MASS SCHEDULE

Mon-Tue 6:00 pm

Wed-Thurs-Fri..... 7:00 am

Thurs – Adoration..... 7am – 6pm

Saturday..... 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am ONLY!



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Please call the parish office for appointment with the Pastor. Preparation classes are required for parents and Godparents.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(CONFESSION)

Only by appointment!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the Pastor or any of our Deacons at least six months prior to the intended wedding date. If remarrying and in other special cases, one year before intended wedding date.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Anyone who is scheduled for surgery for a serious illness; anyone whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age should be anointed as soon as possible (preferably before going to the hospital). Contact the Parish priest for anointing.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Please contact the parish office before making arrangements with the funeral home.

Sign up to receive text and email messages from the parish.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 25, 2021

Acts 4:8-12
1 John 3:1-2
John 10:11-18

MONDAY APRIL 26, 2021

Acts 11:1-18
John 10:1-10

TUESDAY APRIL 27, 2021

Acts 11:19-26
John 10:22-30

WEDNESDAY APRIL 28, 2021

Acts 12:24-13:5a
John 12:44-50

THURSDAY APRIL 29, 2021 MEMORIAL OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

1 John 1:5-2:2
Matthew 11:25-30

FRIDAY APRIL 30, 2021

Acts 13:26-33
John 14:1-6

SATURDAY MAY 1, 2021

Acts 13:44-52
John 14:7-14

APRIL 18, 2021 CONTRIBUTIONS

CANDLES	\$ 121.00
60 TH ANNIVERSARY	\$ 400.00
MASS INTENTION	\$ 30.00
COLLECTION	\$ 3,583.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,144.00

DSF & IGNITE

Please keep paying your DSF & IGNITE pledges.

ATTENDEES

SATURDAY 21
SUNDAY 66



We celebrate Good shepherd Sunday today, recalling Jesus' promise to protect us from harm, to rescue us when we stray, and to guide us home at the end of the day. Ultimately Jesus laid down his life for us, as he told his disciples that he would do. We likely come here today with worries and concerns on our mind. Let us find comfort in knowing that the Good Shepherd watches over us, providing comfort, protection, guidance, and above all salvation.

TO KNOW HIM AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN

MASS INTENTION

SATURDAY APRIL 24, 2021 -

GEORGE J. BABINEAUX (RIP) – by Ruby Babineaux & Family

SUNDAY APRIL 25, 2021 –

St. Philip Neri Parishioners

BIBLE STUDY:

Bible Study will resume on May 5, 2021

DAILY MASS: ALL Daily Mass will resume on Monday, April 26, 2021

One may request Mass Intentions by visiting the parish office from 9 am – 4:30 pm - Monday – Friday. ALL requests must be in writing

Due to COVID-19 we are strongly insisting on the wearing of face mask and observing social distancing in seating and going up for Holy Communion. Families are allowed to sit together. Take all handouts with you as you leave.

Help yourself by reading Father's Bulletin Reflections during the week. Call in from your home for Tele-Bible Study every Wednesday, 7 p.m., teleconference: Dial 1-605.313.5544 - Access Code: 618351# Visit our website: <http://www.stphilipnerichurch.org> often for latest info and updates.



Pray for the Sick & Shut In

Get Well Soon

Dorothy Babineaux, Ruby Babineaux, Anna Broussard, Rose Broussard, Wallace Charles, James Clark, Leola Collins, Marie Collins, Betty Conley, Freddie Conley, Mary Demus, Earstene Dotson, Caffery Eli, Ruby Fields, Ann Foster, Amy Gallow, William Gardiner, Chundra Gates, Robert Gillord, Rose Guilbeau, Joseph Guillory, Karlin Good, Peter Good, Sheryl Graham, Anna Guidry, Daniel Guidry, Derella Heflin, Kendall Henry, Kyle Henry, Tracy Henry, Marie Hill, Willie Howard, Laura Huntsberry, Robert Gibson, Jane Johnson, Iona Jones, Vincent Jones, Kathryn Kay, Irving Kennerson, Howard Kennerson, Georgia Kyle, Ann LaDay, Orphy Lewis, Dee Lewis, Damian Manuel, Hazel Marks, Willie Mae Mays, Maxine Matthews, Joseph & Tallulah McMillon, Royce N. Meekins, Rodney Miller Latonya Miles, Geraldine Milson, Pauline Minkins, Lillie Morris, Kaelyn Mudd, Matthew Neveu, Shirley Perry, Josiah Peterson, Mary Beatrice Pickering, Krunslate Posey, Ricky Premeaux, Herman Rayme, Verna Rayme, Hila Richard, Geraldine Roberts, Winzell Roberts, Jr., Jaquetta Robinson, Kenneth Robinson, Mary Sallie, Merrick Sam, Sr., Shontell Robinson Sanders, The Sanders Family, Margaret Senegal, Mario Scott, Montra Scott, Brittany Sims, Roderick Simmons, Rufus Smith, Barbara Stafford, Campsey Thomas, Mary Ann Thomas, Johnny & Patricia Williams, Johnny Williams Jr., Cathy Winn, Raymond Winn, Jim 'Papa' Woods, Jean Zeno, Reginald Jackson, Judy Humphries, Marina Guilbeau, Delores Mitchell, Dorothy Spencer, Richard Robles, David A. Robinson, Desria Pradia, Joe Mott, Dr. Ralph Watson and all of the ill and shut-ins.

Reflections on Good Shepherd 2021

Our Scripture Readings today are Acts 4:8-12; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18, and our song of praise is Ps. 118. This weekend is Good Shepherd weekend. This reflection is on good shepherding. The Lord Jesus is the good shepherd, because he gave abundant life to his sheep, knows his sheep and lays down his life for them (cf. John 10:1-18). First, shepherds require knowledge of the sheep (cf. John 10:17) – who they are, and their situations are focus for all ministries. Second, there is need for understanding between shepherds and the flock they lead. Shepherds, therefore, are leaders in their own rights, and because they lay down their lives, their ministries or services to their flocks are most of the time love oriented.

Pastors have shepherding responsibilities. The words “pastor” and “pastoral” come from the same root as laboring for the flock of God entrusted to our care. Seen this way, we reflect on the role of pastors: priests, leaders in society, parents, teachers, parish councilors and workers in various church ministries, all are workers in the Lord's vineyard. “The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel,” now the whole wide world. Good Shepherd weekend offers us the opportunity to reflect on how we are exercising our roles. Because we belong to the flock, not just as lone workers, let us emphasize collaborative ministry in our parishes, in our world, assisting one another, teamwork in order to achieve our common goals together. We are not hired laborers who work just for pay and so may not show real concern for the community. We work voluntarily out of the love of God that has been poured into our hearts. Our aim in shepherding is not just a social gathering, or just to draw people to faith, as it were. Not necessarily! Most people in this age already have faith in the Lord. Our shepherding phase should now become that of a new evangelization, I think, to assist and lead our people to deeper and greater growth and fellowship with Christ and one another. By our teamwork spirit we grow together in the Lord. By today's Gospel, it is necessary that we hear the message on the qualities of a good shepherd. Parents and

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leaders share in this role for their roles in the families and the society we live in. It anticipates knowledge and acceptance of the flock and vice versa, love, cherish, self-giving, and sacrifice since the Mass in which we participate in worship is itself a sacrifice. If I may ask then, what ministries are you involved in? How, and in what spirit, do you exercise them?

Today is also vocations weekend for the ministerial priesthood and religious life. The Christian family is the bedrock for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Parents ought to encourage their children on this as they do with choice of careers, and young folks ought to give it a consideration too. The way fathers and mothers live their lives must challenge their children to become good children, beautiful for God. Our families must truly become symbols of the Church, thereby becoming something of “a small Church” and the fertile soil for vocations to flourish. The family is to prepare the ground for vocations to take root, grow and bear fruit for the Church. Family prayers together can still be achieved in some ways nowadays, and grace over the meals as Jesus taught us at the Last Supper and at Emmaus. Parent's duties include Church worship of God as a family as they encourage their children's education. Nourishing vocations, therefore, is what good Christian families and good marriages owe the Church. In this way, the Christian marriage is itself a vocation by which the family cooperates with God by being “fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it” (Gen. 1:28), and produce worthy worshippers for God; and so make the world a better place. Therefore, vocations are not only to the priesthood and religious life but have the third wing which is the good Christian family (parenthood). How do you encourage your pastors in their ministries? Young people want to see how pastors are loved and cared for in order to commit their lives entirely for others too. Pastors do not work for money, and should not, because their stipend or allowance is not commensurate to their level and hours of labor. It is merely a token. As St. Paul said, the love of Christ urges us on; and St. Peter said it is not for monetary gains. We all have the duty to pray for vocations and to encourage vocations in the Catholic Church.

In conclusion, our first reading from Acts 4 resonates on salvation through Jesus. In the Holy Name of Jesus, the leaders of the people and elders must witness for Jesus in all our good deeds. We are celebrating that Jesus is the Good Shepherd, the stone rejected by the builders which has become the cornerstone of our faith in God. Hence, we now know that, “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,” (Acts 4:12). For that reason, we live and treat each other and one another as beloved children of God, and sharers of his kingdom with Christ. (cf. 1 John 3:1-2).

PRAYING CHRISTIANS

The Praying Christians will meet on Saturday May 1st at 3 o'clock in the afternoon to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers. Come and join us! Wear your mask and there will be appropriate spacing. For more information contact Bea Cunningham @ 832.622.7652.

60TH ANNIVERSARY

To ST, Philip Neri Catholic Church: The 60th Anniversary is still planning events for the 60th Anniversary Celebration of our church, the mass will not be on May 23, 2021, we are waiting on a new date pending an answer from Daniel Cardinal DiNardo. The date will be in May or June. As soon as we get confirmation, we will announce it in the bulletin. Please continue to contribute to the fund; the money we raise will go towards replacing doors on the church. There are green envelopes in the back of the church. We are still asking all families who are financially able to donate \$200.00 or those who cannot contribute that amount, please give what you can and we will be very appreciative of any amount given to help our church financially. We thank you in advance for your kindness.

The 60th Anniversary Committee

SUNSHINE MINISTRY

The Sunshine Ministry is still collecting items for our Garage/Parking Lot sale to raise money for SPN Church but due to the Pandemic, we are postponing the date until further notice. As soon as the Health Guild says it's safe, we will reschedule. Thank you for your understanding.

The Sunshine Ministry

"When we act in accord with the Spirit, we show our kinship with Jesus, "for whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother" (Mark 3:35). Resisting temptation is not easy, for the serpent is a formidable foe, but when we do we progress toward the reward of "an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison

(2 Corinthians 4:17).

How important is your priest?

If the choir is present but the priest isn't, can there be a Mass? If the Eucharistic Ministers are there but the priest isn't, can there be a Mass? If the congregation is there but the priest isn't, can there be a Mass?

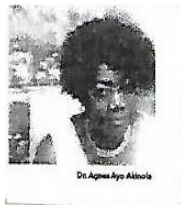
If the priest is there but the choir, Eucharistic Ministers, and congregation isn't, can there be a Mass? Let that sink in. Honor, Respect and Pray for your priest. Without him, there is no Eucharist. Show him the appreciation he richly deserves.

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10 Sins That Must Be Confessed

You can't receive the Eucharist if you've:

- 1) Missed a weekend or Holy Day Mass without a valid reason.
- 2) Having sex outside of marriage, with yourself (masturbation) or someone else.
- 3) desecrated the Eucharist
- 4) haven't been to confession in a year
- 5) Use artificial birth control - condoms, pills, patches, IUD's, etc.
- 6) sponsor or help in any way with an abortion or any destruction of an embryo.
- 7) Murder
- 8) Hate/Anger
- 9) Lust after someone
- 10) Pride, Greed, Sloth, Envy etc. etc. The list is not exhaustive, and any sin that we have meditated on beforehand, understood its gravity and still chosen to do it can be a deadly sin.



The fourth Sunday of Easter is known as "**Good Shepherd Sunday**", because the day's gospel reading is from John 10, which describes Christ as **the Good Shepherd** who lays down his life for his sheep, by dying on the Cross.

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