



# MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE

## MAY 11TH – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Reverend Leonard T. Chuwa, Pastor



### SACRAMENTS

#### HOLY MASS

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

#### CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.  
Sunday 6:00 - 6:45 p.m.

#### ADORATION

Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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## PASTOR'S CORNER

*Why did the sheep bring a microphone to church on the Fourth Sunday of Easter?*

*Because it heard the Good Shepherd's voice—and didn't want to miss a single word!*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Rev. Leonard Chuwa This Sunday, known as **Good Shepherd Sunday**, invites us to reflect deeply on the tender and faithful love of Christ, who calls each of us by name. In today's Gospel (John 10:27–30), Jesus assures us, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." These words offer both comfort and challenge: comfort in knowing we are known and loved by our Shepherd, and challenge in discerning whether we are truly listening to His voice amid the many competing voices in our lives.

The image of the Good Shepherd is not just poetic; it is profoundly personal. A shepherd leads, protects, and lays down his life for his sheep. The readings from Acts and Revelation today echo this promise of protection and eternal life. We see in Acts the bold proclamation of the Gospel despite resistance, reminding us that following Christ's voice often means walking a path of faith and courage. Meanwhile, the vision in Revelation shows the Lamb—who is also the Shepherd—guiding His people to springs of life-giving water.

This Sunday also marks the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. As we reflect on the care of the Good Shepherd, let us pray for those He is calling to lead His flock today—priests, deacons, religious, and lay leaders. May our parish be a place where young men and women can hear the Shepherd's voice and respond with generous hearts.

We also take this opportunity to give thanks for all **mothers**—biological, adoptive, and spiritual—on this **Mother's Day**. Their love, patience, and sacrifices so often reflect the tenderness of the Good Shepherd in our daily lives. May God bless all mothers with strength and joy, and may those who have gone before us rest in His eternal peace.

Let us ask ourselves this week: Am I listening for His voice? Do I trust in His care? And how am I helping others hear and follow the Shepherd today?

With joy in the Risen Lord,

Fr. Leonard Chuwa, PhD

## RECURRING EVENTS

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| <b>Sunday</b>   | <b>Rosary</b><br>Before 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Mass<br><i>Led by Chuck and Joan Wingfield</i>                             |
| <b>Thursday</b>   | <b>Solemn Adoration</b><br>8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the Church<br><b>Chaplet of Divine Mercy</b><br>3:00 p.m. in the Church |
| <b>Second Wed.</b>  | <b>Knights of Columbus Meeting</b><br>6:45 p.m. in the Lower Parish Hall  |
| <b>Monthly</b>  | <b>Respect Life Monthly Team Meeting</b><br>Last Wednesdays of Each Month 6pm   |
| <b>Baptismal Classes— Monthly, please call Parish Office to register.</b> |   |

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Mother's Day! Today we celebrate and honor all mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures for their love, strength, and unwavering care. Thank you for the many ways you bless our lives. Wishing you a joyful and peaceful Mother's Day!

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	May 10th, 2025 4:00 p.m.: All Mothers of St. Paul's
Sunday	May 11th, 2025 9:00 a.m.: All Mothers of St. Paul's 11:00 a.m.: All Mothers of St. Paul's 7:00 p.m.: All Mothers of St. Paul's
Monday	May 12th, 2025 8:00 a.m.: Susan Mokry <i>Requested by: Patty Howell</i>
Tuesday	May 13th, 2025 8:00 a.m.: Susan Pitts
Wednesday	May 14th, 2025 8:00 a.m.: †Julianna Dizor <i>Requested by: Dizor Family</i>
Thursday	May 15th, 2025 8:00 a.m.: †Jean Lawrence <i>Requested by: Rudie Perry</i>
Friday	May 16th, 2025 8:00 a.m.: Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	May 17th, 2025 4:00 p.m.: Loretto D. Szucs <i>Requested by: Ann Staley</i>
Sunday	May 18th, 2025 9:00 a.m.: Tolentino Family <i>Requested by: Julia Mago</i> 11:00 a.m.: †Gary Temblay <i>Requested by: Kathleen &amp; Mark Kohntopp</i> 7:00 p.m.: †Carlos Adorno <i>Requested by: Tai-I Adorno</i>

## DAILY READINGS

Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30
Monday	of Fourth Week of Easter; Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr Acts 11:1-18; Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday	of Fourth Week of Easter; Our Lady of Fatima Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday	Saint Matthias, Apostle Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Thursday	of Fourth Week of Easter; Saint Isidore Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday	of Fourth Week of Easter Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday	of Fourth Week of Easter Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday	May 17th, 2025   4:00p.m. Lectors: Sharon Gasparo, Nick Tichy EMHC: Rachel DeClemente, Cristina Gaddoni, Deacon
Sunday	May 18th, 2025   9:00 a.m. Lectors: Mary Pat Rogers, Youth Reader EMHC: Gordon Kiesling, Rose Walsh, Deacon
Sunday	May 18th, 2025   11:00 a.m. Lectors: John Roberts EMHC: Cathy Roberts, Caroline Narramore, Deacon
Sunday	May 18th, 2025   7:00 p.m. Lectors: Mylene Watson, Paul Sulzbacher EMHC: Bret Wilkinson, Greg Hurtt, Deacon

Pope's Intention: For working conditions. Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

# ✠ ST. PAUL SCHOOL ✠

The school Math-A-Thon fundraiser is helping collect funds to renovate our third floor, grades 6th-8th. You can help us beautify this space by making a one time donation. Students are completing math problems each day in exchange for your donations. Currently in first place with 4,256 math questions answered correctly is Kobe Wang, 6th grade!



Dear Parent of a Little One,

We love hearing your children sing, laugh, and cry in Sunday Mass. We also love watching them run up to the altar and smile with Father Leonard. Never feel like your child is disrupting Mass. We are not watching or judging you. In fact, we are thrilled that you are here! A church without children is a church without a future!

Kindly,  
St. Paul's Catholic School



Happy Teacher Appreciation Week to our amazing staff. May God bless you always!

St. Paul's Catholic School is now registering for the 2025-2026 school year. Step Up For Students Scholarship is available for all children! Call 904-387-2841 for more information or to schedule a tour of our campus!

## PRAYER LIST

### Ill and Healing

Kristen Nadeau, Madelyn Garland, Teri McClure, Brian Zimmerman, Angelleka Harris, Victor Purdy, Jack DiPaolo, Stephen Macher, Mariel Rose Henn, Kevin Nolan, Liz Ulrich, Becky Scheller, Abel Elijah Burnsed, David Goricki, Paul Staley, Bob & Sheila Davis, James Kinne, Cathy Stevenson, Evelyn Munther, Marcus Taylor, Elaine Starling, Paul Mahla, Suzanne Lauwereins

### Deceased

†Glenn Andrews, †Julianna Dizor, †Donald Jordan Thompson, †Marta Lancho, †James A. Pasticci, †Milagros T. Risos, †Evelyn Pankok, †Margaret Ryals, †Tyler Snead, †William Lyons †Megan Schultz, †Jean Lawrence

### Military Service

William Joseph Staley, Jr., USAF; Gabriel Roberts, USAF; Drew Baker and company, Johnathan Neufville, USN; Alex Ondina, USN; Shelby Wood, USAF; Michael Palaski, USN; Justin Moredock, USAF; Allen Watkins, USN; Romeo Antolini, USN; Steven McAdams, USN; Matt McGee, USN

### Expectant and New Mothers

Holly Bailey, Katie Donoher Maranto, Paige Pattishall, Katia Gravenstein, Siobahn Wyatt

### Recently Baptized

Emmett Collins, Emmaleigh Rudolph, Shaela Smith, Daniel Kelley, Maxamillian Tourte, Bronson Joslin, Maverick Hinkle, Paxten Hinkle, Quinton Hinkle, Jay Thiesen, Collette Callis, Kiana Kovtunov, Minerva Crowell, Rex DeBiase, Victoria Broering, Ella Flynn

## OFFERTORY | MAY 3RD/4TH

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	\$8,417.00	\$2,675.00	\$11,092.00
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	\$10,871.37	\$3,223.12	\$14,094.49

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\*We are happy to report Online Giving each week!  
To give online, please visit [www.stpaulsjax.org/giving](http://www.stpaulsjax.org/giving)

## May 11<sup>th</sup>, Fourth Sunday of Easter

Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life

## We need you at 9:00 Mass!

Join us in the choir loft, as lector or usher, or have your family bring up the gifts.

This Mass is very much a family Mass and we would welcome your participation.

Contact me at the email address below if you would be willing to serve.

[jeff.staffaroni@spsjax.org](mailto:jeff.staffaroni@spsjax.org)

## FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Do you have a date you would like to memorialize with beautiful floral arrangements? To sponsor a weekend of flowers, please place your order with the Parish Office at (904) 387-2554.

## YOUTUBE CHANNEL


We livestream our 11:00 a.m. Mass every week! If you have friends and family who live around the world or are otherwise unable to worship with us in person, make sure they subscribe to the YouTube channel: [www.youtube.com/@stpaulsjax](http://www.youtube.com/@stpaulsjax).



ST. PAUL'S

# Youth Group GATHERING

SUNDAY, MAY 18  
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
RECTORY DINING ROOM



All High School Student's are invited!  
Bring your friends!  
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Youth Group  
**Summer Opportunities**

June 15 - 22, 2025  
Urban Plunge at St. Paul's


July 7 - 12, 2025  
Covecrest Summer Camp Tiger, Georgia - High School

June 27 - 29, 2025  
Steubenville Conference, Orlando


Small Group Book Study starting in June

Call Onie at 904-387-2554  
or email her at [onie.lee@spsjax.org](mailto:onie.lee@spsjax.org)  
for more information

**MONDAY**  
**BIBLE STUDY**  
@ 11:00AM & 6:30PM



Next class Monday, May 12  
In the Rectory Dining Room



God took the fragrance  
of a flower...  
The majesty of a tree...  
The gentleness of  
morning dew...  
The calm of a quiet sea...  
The beauty  
of the twilight hour...  
The soul  
of a starry night...  
The laughter of a  
rippling brook...  
The grace of a bird  
in flight...  
Then God fashioned  
from these things  
A creation like no other,  
And when his  
masterpiece was through  
He called it simply -  
Mother.

~Herbert Farnham

## *In Honor of Our Mothers*

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### MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN NEEDED FOR THE SCHOOL

St. Paul's School in need of a maintenance technician to provide maintenance for the buildings and grounds including semi-skilled carpentry, plumbing, electrical, painting and other minor repair work. Additionally, conducting preventative maintenance inspection. Applicants please visit the Diocesan website to apply, <https://dosaf1.com/human-resources/careers/>

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS!

We give thanks be to God for their journey of faith and ask you to continue praying for them as they grow in love for Jesus and His Church.

May they always stay close to Jesus in the Eucharist!



## Respect Life Team

The Respect Life Team has collected less than 1/3 of the bottles distributed to our Parish. Please return the bottles with a donation to help women and babies at the Divine Mercy House this week or return to the office. Thank you for your assistance.

St Paul's Human Life and Dignity Team would like to announce "Roses for Life" honoring new life in our parish by quarterly placing roses on Our Blessed Mother's altar.

We will place **red roses** for births, **pink roses** for babies adopted and white roses for babies born to eternal life. Please call the parish office to participate in "Roses for Life".

Resources are available for families that have suffered a miscarriage. We ask our parish to pray for these babies and their families.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In many parishes, this is called “Good Shepherd Sunday” where we reflect on Jesus’ care and assurance as we listen to the words “No one can take them out of my hand.” We are called to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd and follow him. We follow first by listening. Hearing Jesus—heeding his voice—is already an act of following. This is a good Sunday to bask in Jesus’ care and protection, listen to his voice calling us to his loving, embracing hands, and rejoice in the goodness showered upon us who are faithful to his call. (*Living Liturgy*, p.120)

Is there a family or individual you know in our parish or in the 32204 or 32205 zip code who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor at (904) 553-7644. All calls are confidential.

To help us properly receive and account for your generous gifts, we kindly ask that donations intended for St. Vincent de Paul Society be made by writing separate checks— one to St. Paul’s Church and another to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. This small change will greatly change will greatly assist us in managing your contributions accurately. We are deeply grateful for your continued support in serving our neighbors in need.



## CALL TO SERVE OUR LORD

St Paul's has initiated an exciting new ministry! We are training adult altar servers for our 7PM Mass.

We are seeking enough servers to allow this to be a monthly devotion for the servers who participate.

Altar servers are much more than helpers of the parish Priest; you are servers of Jesus Christ, the eternal High Priest. Please search your heart and join us if you will!

For questions or to join our ministry, please call or text Georgia Gill at 904-654-8140

## Perpetual Adoration: Touching Fatima 107 Years Later



"Most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament." This is the Eucharistic prayer taught to 3 little shepherd children by the angel of Our Lord in preparation for the coming of our Blessed Mother.

Come love and adore with St. Paul's!

Please reach out to Laura Dodson by text or phone at: 321-626-1842 to schedule time with Him. You may email her at [laurad47@bellsouth.net](mailto:laurad47@bellsouth.net).



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**ANY QUESTIONS?**

Contact Sr. Joan Gabbin: Tel: 904-280-7321 / Email: srjoangrace@yahoo.com  
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