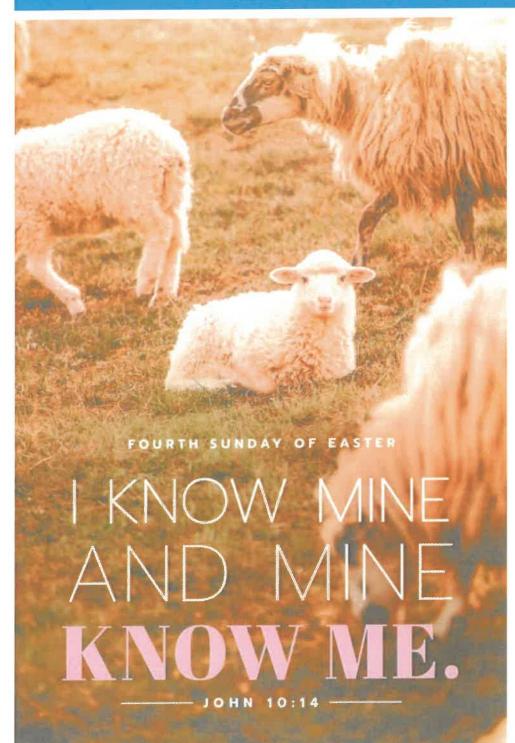
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April 21, 2024 | Fourth Sunday of Easter Sunday



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am and 5:00 pm

Rite of Reconciliation (Confessions) Saturday following the 8:15 am Mass in the church.

Anointing of the Sick Please call or visit the parish office to make an appointment.

Parish Office Hours Mon-Fri: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday & Sunday Closed

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FROM OUR PASTORAL STAFF

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Have you ever seen an image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd? I'm willing to bet you have. There are plenty of statues and paintings in devotional art that illustrate this theme. From my Roman years, I remember seeing such images dating back to the 3rd and 4th centuries after Christ. It's all based on Jesus' words in the Gospel of John, "I am the Good Shepherd." (Jn. 10:11) In the verses following verse 11, Jesus explains what this title means; you can read the full text, which will also be proclaimed during Mass this weekend, in this bulletin.

In any case, I think we would all agree that the statues and paintings of the Good Shepherd that we have seen are very sweet and beautiful: sunny sky, lovely landscape, a clean, serene Jesus with a docile lamb on his shoulders, and cute little sheep around him. For the persons who first heard Jesus speak of himself as the Good Shepherd, the mental image this conjured up would not have been so sweet. But it would have been powerful.

The life of a shepherd was difficult. It meant spending most of the time outside, regardless of the weather. It involved protecting sheep from robbers and wild animals. It also involved guiding the flock of sheep and keeping them together. The self-sacrifice involved in being a shepherd receives its ultimate expression in Jesus' words, "A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." I think it's safe to say that the life of a shepherd was dirty, smelly, demanding, exhausting, and often dangerous. It was probably not very pretty.

Jesus takes on this role for us. He guides us; he protects us; he provides for us. He lives, dies, and rises again for us. Hopefully our response is to be good "sheep": accepting his guidance and not straying away from the flock: trusting his protection and laying aside all fear; receiving his providence and expressing our gratitude. The Lord is our Shepherd; we shall not want! (see Psalm 23)

Blessings,

Fr. Philip



THE WEEK AHEAD



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10 Monday:

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn Tuesday:

10:22-30

Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/ Wednesday:

Jn 12:44-50

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/ Thursday:

Mk 16:15-20

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/ Friday:

Jn 14:1-6

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Saturday:

Jn 14:7-14

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 Sunday:

(26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. (Acts 3:15)

Second Reading: He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. (1 Jn 2:2)

Gospel: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." (Lk 24:46)

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SSJ HAPPENINGS

Monday, April 22

- 8:15 am Mass | † John LaFrano | † Augustine Pham | † Andrew Dmowski
- 7:00 pm Evening Centering Prayer (Church)

Tuesday, April 23 - Sts. George & Adalbert, Martvrs

- 8:15 am Mass | Danny Clyne
- 9:45 am Moms Group Bible Study (FR)

Wednesday, April 24 - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

- 6:30 am Men's Bible Study (FR)
- 8:15 am Mass | † Kent S. Vandenberg
- 9:15 am Adoration
- 3:30 pm Parking Lot Prayer
- 4:00 pm Centering Prayer (FR)
- 6:00 pm Knights of Columbus (CH)

Thursday, April 25 - St. Mark

- 8:15 am Mass | Fr. Ryan Thornton, ofm
- 9:00 am Sunday Readings Study (FR)
- 7:00 pm Synodal Conversations (FR)

Friday, April 26

• 8:15 am Mass | † Mary Mata

Saturday, April 27

- 8:15 am Mass | Demetra Bastas Brat Kic |
 - † Alan Edward | Nicki Hoppe
- 9:00 am Confessions
- 9:00 am Beach Clean Up
- 4:00 pm Mass | † Bill Mullee

Sunday, April 28 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 am Mass | † Cong Dinh
- 9:30 am Mass | Saints Simon & Jude Catholic Community
- 11:15 am Mass | † Corazon Veneración
- 5:00 pm Mass | † Geraldine Johnson

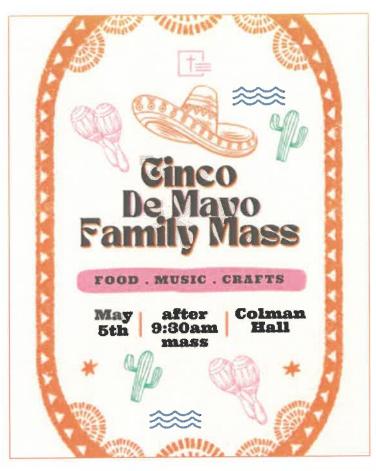
Meeting Location Key

FR - Franciscan Room CC - Community Center

CH - Colman Hall LL - Learning Lane PLZ - Mondor Plaza LIB - School Library HA - Hospitality Area YR - Youth Room

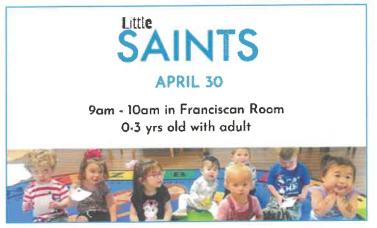
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AROUND THE COMMUNITY





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All are Welcome to Join our Prayer Community

2nd and 4th Mondays of the Month 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Church

Tuesdays 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm via Zoom

Wednesdays 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm In the Franciscan Rooms

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PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

"For the Son of Man came not to be served but to solve and to give his life for many" (Mark 10: 45)

Parishioner Donation Summary for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024		
Collection	Actual Amount	Budgeted Amount
March Ordinary Collection (Sunday and Online Donations)	\$ 186,309	\$ 190,333
Year to Date Ordinary Collections through June 30, 2024	\$ 1,385,631	\$1,365,700
Number of Donors	789	
Additional Collections: Holy Land/Good Friday	\$ 4,191	

On the weekend of May 4–5, all people of the Diocese of Orange will have the opportunity to donate to the *Parishes in Collaboration Collection*. This collection is for the purpose of assisting parishes in the Diocese of Orange that exhibit ongoing needs that cannot be paid for by their ordinary income and have urgent needs (such as repairs and maintenance). All money donated to this collection is put into a *restricted* fund that will be administered by a group consisting of laity and clergy of the diocese. Parishes with needs as stated above will apply for grants from this fund to be used for their specific needs.

Ways to Donate to the Parish:

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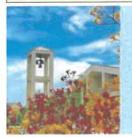
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Thank you to those parishioners who have already pledged more than \$155,000 to date.

Please consider donating to the 2024 PSA fund. Donations may be made online at https://www.rcbo.org/psa/ or by sending a check to the parish. More information can be found in flyers located in the bulletin holders at the church entrances.

Parish Assessment - \$209,000 Current Pledges - \$155,000 Pledges Paid - \$123,000 Donors - 247



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As part of our ongoing efforts to improve communication within our parish community, we are kindly requesting parishioners to update their contact information. Please contact the parish office at 714.962.3333 or ssj@ssj.org.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY





Wednesday, May 1, 2024 Veneration of the Relic 2:00 pm - 10:00 pm



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PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

Entrance: Alleluia! Love Is Alive - Steve Angrisano

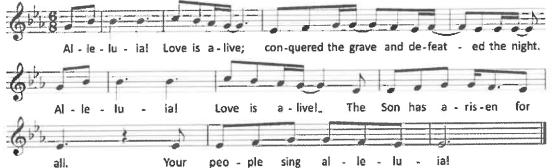
People of God, see the morning is new;

rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb.

Come and see! Come and see! He is alive! A grave that is empty,

a promise fulfilled.

God who was with us is here with us still. He is here! He is here! He is alive!



People of God, let your fear fall away. Your chains have been broken; abandon your shame.

Lift your hearts! Lift your hearts! He is alive!

Here now is mercy embracing your soul;

here the fulfillment that once was foretold. It is true! It is true! He is alive!

Reading I: 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: Psalm 118 - Owen Alstott



Reading II: 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 him, for we shall see him as he is.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia - Mode VI



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



PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

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."

Preparation of the Gifts: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need - RESIGNATION

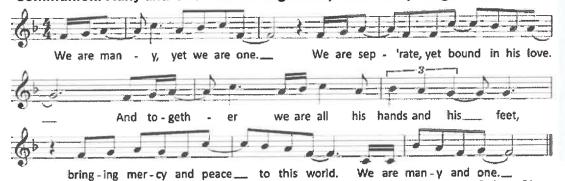


11:15 Mass: Easter Alleluia - Richard Rice

Alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad! The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love endures forever.

Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Joy and Peace - Tony Alonso

Communion: Many and One - Steve Angrisano, Sarah Hart, Dwight Liles



Profession of Faith

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, (BOW) 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.

PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

We are fallen but we are forgiven; broken and scattered, yet being made whole by our redeemer, one Lord and one savior, the shepherd who gathers us all, gathers us all.

We are diff'rent as morning and evening, each of us living as we have been called, all of us seeking, each of us reaching to the shepherd who gathers us all, gathers us all.

We are brothers and sisters in spirit, found in all nations yet near to the Lord, each one belonging, together now longing for the shepherd who gathers us all, gathers us all.

Meditation: Christ Is Risen - Matt Maher

Let no one caught in sin remain inside the lie of inward shame. We fix our eyes upon the cross, and run to him who showed great love And bled for us, freely you've bled for us.

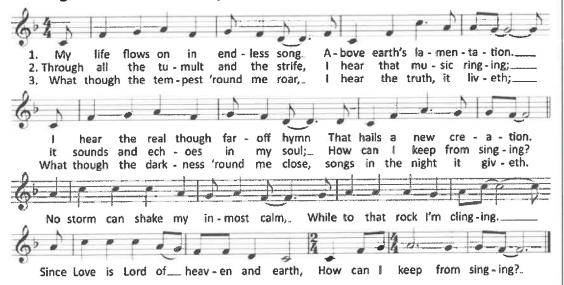
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Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death. Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave. Christ is risen from the dead, we are one with him again. Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave.

Beneath the weight of all our sin, you bowed to none but heaven's will; No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown, no burden great can hold you down. In strength you reign; forever let your church proclaim:

11:15 Mass: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need - Virgil Thomson (1896-1989)

Sending Forth: How Can I Keep from Singing - ENDLESS SONG





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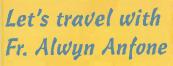
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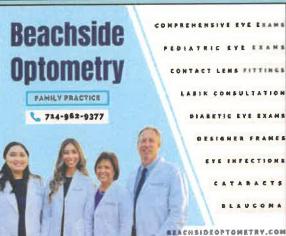
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