

SUNDAY OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

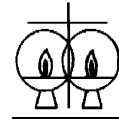
When I was a student in southern Italy, every winter I used to see the shepherds coming from the north with their sheep; they were staying around for three months, so that the sheep could find grass to eat during those times. They used to spend all day and all night with their sheep; the shepherd used to throw a whistle and all the sheep used to follow him; he had three dogs who would guard day and night the whole flock. What a life! Rain or shine, day and night with their sheep. Pope Francis said that the shepherd (priests) should smell like the sheep!

Jesus is telling us today that He is our shepherd. First of all, he gives us his life; day and night he is here in the tabernacle and never goes away. He keeps the wolves away from us, protecting and guiding our journey of faith and of life. He knows each one by name; and we know exactly his voice, so that we can listen when he calls. He does not abandon us when troubles come up in our life; he is not a mercenary, who works for money, but he is a shepherd who gives up all his life for us. And finally, He keeps all the sheep united in one flock; He loves all his sheep and gathers them all together. And if necessary, He will send his dogs to bark and bring the stray sheep all inside his flock.

“So, there will be one flock, one shepherd”.

TODAY we also pray for **Priestly and Religious Vocations**. Even though we all have our own personal vocations, today we pray for priests and missionaries who generously devote all their life for evangelization in our Church. God is surely calling young people today; the problem is that we have grown selfish and materialistic, and we lack the courage to say a total yes to God. It is fundamental that the Christian community show support and enthusiasm when a young man or woman shows signs of vocation. Unfortunately, we too many times lack the faith to spur our youth into a radical service to the Lord in His Church.

In our parish, let us pray and support any activity which will help young men and women to respond generously to the radical call of Christ to become shepherds of the people of God in our church.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Apr. 24, 2021 **St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen**

8:00am Thanksgiving for Vivien MacNeil

6:00pm + Natalina Ristagno

Sunday, Apr. 25 **4th Sunday of Easter**

8:30am + Joseph Pereira & Hilary & Bella Gonsalves

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm NO MASS (Intentions at 11:30am)

4:00pm NO MASS (Intentions at 11:30am)

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Monday, Apr. 26

8:00am + Frances Perrotta & family

7:00pm + Pilar & Leocadio Barinque

Tuesday, Apr. 27

8:00am + Benedykt Maksimowski

7:00pm + Nellie Masaro

Wednesday, Apr. 28 **Sts. Peter Chanel & Louis de Montfort**

8:00am + Jose Pangilinan

6:00pm (*Novena in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help*)

7:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

Thursday, Apr. 29 **St. Catherine of Siena**

8:00am Conversion of Joseph, Mary & Rosa Cheng

7:00pm + A. Joseph Cletus

8:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Friday, Apr. 30 **St. Pius V**

8:00am + Teresa Martinez Angela Tu Huynh,

Baul Martinez & Felix Tuan Tran

7:00pm Special intentions for 50th Birthday of

Sister Anna Chan

Saturday, May 1

8:00am Conversion of Dave & Bonnie Weir,

Briann & Robby & family

6:00pm + Markupillai Emmanuel

Sunday, May 2 **5th Sunday of Easter**

8:30am Special intentions for Marcelino Dolores

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2020 TAX RECEIPTS ARE AVAILABLE
AT THE OFFICE

2021 Envelopes are available at the
main entrance

AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL

Desde el Lunes 19 de Abril, 2021, la Iglesia está cerrada durante las MISAS, que serán transmitidas virtualmente por Internet. Para los Bautismos, Bodas y Funerales, se permitirá un máximo de 10 personas en la Iglesia, incluyendo el sacerdote y los ministros.

El MARTES 27 de Abril, 2021 (8:00 PM), continúa el CURSO VIRTUAL de BIBLIA #1 con el Padre José Plascencia, a través de Zoom.

El MIÉRCOLES 28 de Abril, 2021 (8:00 PM), continúa el CURSO VIRTUAL de BIBLIA #2 con el Padre José Plascencia, a través de Zoom.

El JUEVES 29 de ABRIL, 2021 (8:00 PM), participaremos en la SANTA MISA VIRTUAL en ESPAÑOL.

El VIERNES 30 de Abril, 2021 (8:00 PM), participaremos en la ASAMBLEA VIRTUAL DE ORACIÓN Y ALABANZA de la RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA CATÓLICA HISPANA, a través de Zoom.

DE LUNES A VIERNES ESTÁ EXPUESTO el SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO EN EL TEMPLO de 8:30 am a 5:30 pm. Dedicemos un tiempo para la ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA INDIVIDUAL (máximo 10 personas en el templo).

HOY, rezaremos el SANTO ROSARIO VIRTUAL (5:25 pm) y luego participaremos en la SANTA MISA VIRTUAL EN ESPAÑOL (6:00 pm).

Los siguientes son los enlaces del Internet para participar VIRTUALMENTE en el SANTO ROSARIO y la SANTA MISA:

<https://www.facebook.com/parroquiasantacatalina.de.sienna.9>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpfixRYsl7vLmI4hDDWEmNA>

<https://stcatherine.ca/live-mass/>

Vatican summit on 'theology of the priesthood' will look at questions raised in recent synods.

The title of the symposium is: "Toward a Fundamental Theology of the Priesthood," and will take place from February 17-19, 2022 in the Vatican. It is intended to reflect on the issues raised by the last 3 synods of the Family, of Youth and of the Amazon, including priestly celibacy, dwindling vocations, and the role of women in the Church. As a parish we will pray and follow up on those important issues in our church.

SHARE LIFE Today is also the World Day of Prayer for vocations. With your generous support of ShareLife, we can continue to invest in the education of our future clergy. Thank you very much for support.

ST. JOSEPH CONSECRATION - Number 2

Starting March 30th, we have 33 days of preparation to the Consecration to St. Joseph, which will take place on Saturday, May 1st, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. If you are interested, please leave your name, email and cell phone with the parish office (905) 272-1454. or email victorianisce@gmail.com

VIRTUAL PRE-CANA All couples preparing for Marriage and also those recently married are invited to participate on a ZOOM MEETING at 7:00pm on these dates: April 21-23-28-30 & May 5.

YEAR OF AMORIS LAETITIA The Pope has invited us to celebrate a whole year on the encyclical signed by him 5 years ago about the holiness of Family Life. During the year we will organize various events.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Thank you to all those who donated to the SVDP Grocery store gift card drive during Lent. Your generosity helps buy fresh food for the hungry in our community. Also a reminder that the next SVDP Bundle Sunday weekend is tentatively on June 12th & 13th, 2021. (pending any new government lockdowns / restrictions)"

FIRST COMMUNIONS and CONFIRMATIONS

have been suspended until further notice.

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

