



IMMACULATE HEART OF *M*ARY

Parish Mission + Mision Parroquial

*With Mary, we seek to know Christ better and to make him better known through our words and actions.
Con María, deseamos conocer mejor a Cristo y darlo a conocer por medio de nuestras acciones y palabras.*

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Dear families of the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

One image that the gospel might subtly conjure up is that of a flock of dumb animals who mindlessly follow whoever herds them. What my friend was (rightly) objecting to was the implication that the disciples of Jesus are basically dumb sheep, easily lead by deception. But is the gospel implying this?

The metaphor falters when we notice that it emphasizes the intimate knowledge the sheep have of the shepherd and vice versa (10:14). In the vocabulary of the Bible, "to know" another oftentimes refers to sexual intimacy. Moreover, the intimacy between Jesus and "his own" reflects the relationship he has with the Father (10:15). It is an intimacy that is expressed ultimately in loving self-surrender, even unto death.

There is a kind of domino effect in the Gospel of John. First, God pours out the divine self in love though the Word made flesh (1:14;3:16), a self-surrender that is replicated in Jesus' gift of self for those who are his own (10:15). This same action of shepherd is used a number of times in the Scriptures to characterize a leader of the people. God is depicted as the Shepherd to Israel (*see Gen 49:24, Ps 23:1;78:52-53. And it is surely not accidental or irrelevant that Moses and David were both actual shepherds before each was called to lead the people of Israel.*)

Today is a good day to ask ourselves: How does intimacy with Christ, the Good Shepherd empower me to replicate His loving self-surrender for those who are "his own"? What image in my own culture conveys what shepherds did in Jesus' culture? Spending some time in prayer with that image might be a creative and fruitful way of reflecting on this gospel reading.

Immaculate Heart of Mary pray for us.

Fr. Quang

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Queridas familias del Inmaculado Corazón de María,

Una imagen que el Evangelio puede evocar sutilmente es la de un rebaño de animales mudos que siguen sin pensar a quien los pastorea. A lo que mi amigo se oponía (con razón) era a la insinuación de que los discípulos de Jesús son básicamente ovejas mudas, que se dejan llevar fácilmente por el engaño. Pero ¿es eso lo que quiere decir el Evangelio?

La metáfora se tambalea cuando observamos que hace hincapié en el conocimiento íntimo que las ovejas tienen del pastor y viceversa (10:14). En el vocabulario bíblico, "conocer" a otro suele referirse a la intimidad sexual. Además, la intimidad entre Jesús y "los suyos" refleja la relación que tiene con el Padre (10,15). Es una intimidad que se expresa en última instancia en la entrega amorosa, incluso hasta la muerte.

En el Evangelio de Juan se produce una especie de efecto dominó. En primer lugar, Dios derrama su yo divino en amor a través del Verbo hecho carne (1:14;3:16), una entrega que se reproduce en el don de sí mismo de Jesús por los que son sus ganados (10:15). Esta misma acción de pastor se utiliza varias veces en las Escrituras para caracterizar a un líder del pueblo. Dios es representado como el Pastor de Israel (véase Gn 49,24; Sal 23,1; 78,52-53). Y no es casual ni irrelevante que Moisés y David fueran pastores antes de ser llamados a dirigir al pueblo de Israel.

Hoy es un buen día para preguntarnos: ¿De qué manera la intimidad con Cristo, el Buen Pastor, ¿me capacita para reproducir su amorosa entrega por los que son "suyos"? ¿Qué imagen de mi propia cultura transmite lo que hacían los pastores en la cultura de Jesús? Pasar algún tiempo en oración con esa imagen podría ser una manera creativa y fructífera de reflexionar sobre esta lectura del Evangelio.

Inmaculado Corazón de María, ruega por nosotros.

Padre Quang

Regular Mass Schedule. Holiday and Feast Days may be different.

Weekday Masses/Misas Diarias

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00AM (English) - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:00AM (Bilingual)

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00PM (English)

Sunday Mass/Domingo Misa

7:30AM (English) - 9:00AM (English) - 10:45AM (Español) - 12:30PM (English) - 2:00PM (Español)
5:00PM - Traditional Roman Rite (Latin)

Confessions

Tuesdays 6:00PM - 7:00PM & Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

Prayers & Weekly Scriptures/Oraciones y Lecturas de la Semana

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK INTENCIONES PARA MISAS DE LA SEMANA

Saturday, April 20th

8:00 am † Sulpicia Ditan
5:00 pm Jose Augusto Sousa - Special Intention

Sunday, April 21st

7:30 am † Maureen De Coito
9:00 am IHM Parishioners
10:45 am † Ramiro Cortez Martínez
12:30 pm † Benjamin Cruz
2:00 pm † Luis R. Gonzalez
5:00 pm † Porfidio Chavez

Monday, April 22nd

8:00 am † Kyoto de Leon

Tuesday, April 23rd

8:00 am † Almas en el Purgatorio

Wednesday, April 24th

8:00 am Samantha Serrano - Birthday

Thursday, April 25th

8:00 am Edmundo and Alec Noel Cortes Quinanola -
Birthday

Friday, April 26th

8:00 am † Rosa Rodriguez de Aragon

Saturday, April 27th

8:00 am † Humberto Lizarbe

Hours of Adoration are on Thursdays from 8:30AM to 6:00PM. On Fridays, Adoration begins at 8:30am and Continues until 7:30am on Saturday. Please pray for increased vocations.



Horas de Adoración son los jueves de 8:30AM a 6:00PM. Adoración los viernes empieza a las 8:30AM y continúa hasta el sábado a las 7:30AM. Por favor recen para que aumenten las vocaciones.

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Lyndsey Burrow, Ryan McLeod, Ramon Antonio Toledo, Steve Klovee, Ken Klovee, Giselle Honore, Dawn Lanphere, Nicole Patiño-Patroni, Sue Menez, Solange Patiño-Patroni, Perry Brown. ***

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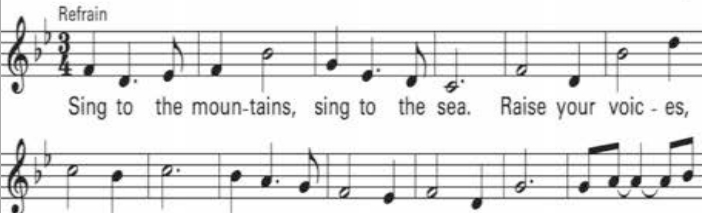
READINGS FOR THE WEEK LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Monday:	279: Acts 11:1-18 Jn 10:1-10	Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4
Tuesday:	280: Acts 11:19-26 Jn 10:22-30	Ps 87:1-7
Wednesday:	281: Acts 12:24—13:5a 5-6, 8	Ps 67:2-3, Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	555: 1 Pt 5:5b-14 Mk 16:15-20	Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17
Friday:	283: Acts 13:26-33 Jn 14:1-6	Ps 2:6-11
Saturday:	284: Acts 13:44-52 Jn 14:7-14	Ps 98:1-4
Sunday:	53: Acts 9:26-31 31-32 Jn 15:1-8	Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 1 Jn 3:18-24

Entrance Hymn**Sing to the Mountains**

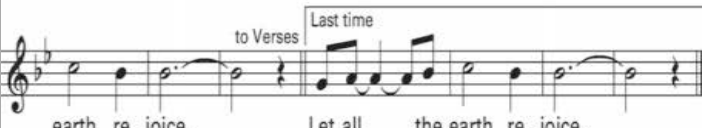
Bob Dufford, SJ

Refrain



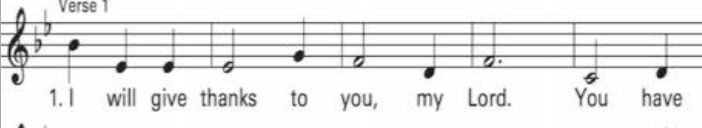
Sing to the moun-tains, sing to the sea. Raise your voic - es,
lift your hearts. This is the day the Lord has made. Let all the

to Verses Last time



earth re - joice. Let all the earth re - joice.

Verse 1



1. I will give thanks to you, my Lord. You have




1. an - swered my plea. You have saved my

to Refrain



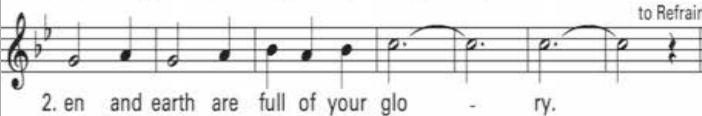
1. soul from death. You are my strength and my song.

Verse 2

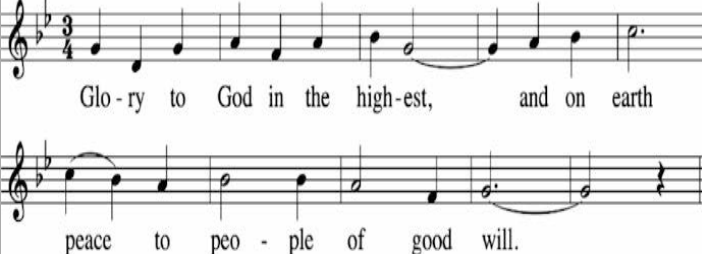


2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. Heav -

to Refrain



2. en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

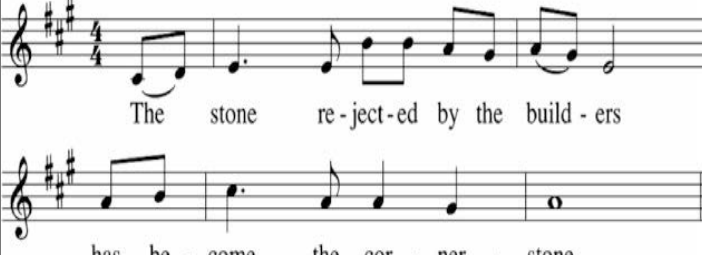
Gloria**Mass of Creation**


Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth
peace to peo - ple of good will.

1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. **R.**
2. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father;
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us,
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. **R.**
3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in the Glory of God the Father.
Amen, Amen! **R.**

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118 • Michel Guimont



The stone re - ject - ed by the build - ers
has be - come the cor - ner - stone.

- Give praise to the LORD, for he is good; By the LORD has this been done,
his mercy endures forever. a marvel in our eyes. **R.**
- It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man; Blest is he who comes in the name of the LORD.
It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes. **R.** We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- I will thank you, for you have answered, I will thank you, for you have answered,
and you are my savior. and you are my savior.
The stone that the builders rejected Give praise to the LORD, for he is good;
has become the cornerstone. his mercy endures forever. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation

Easter Alleluia • arr. Jerome Cuenco

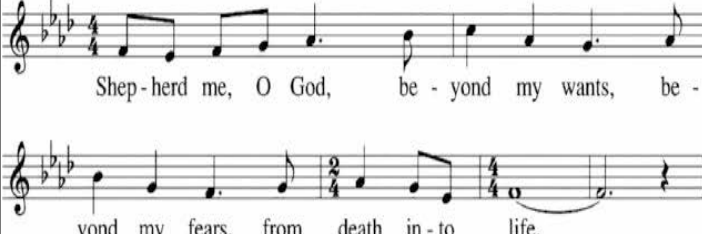


Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Call us, Good Shepherd, we listen to you, wanting to see you in all that we do / we would the gate of salvation pass through, Alleluia!
R.

Preparation of the Gifts**Shepherd Me, O God**

Marty Haugen



Shep - herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -
yond my fears, from death in - to life.

1. God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.
2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your name.
3. Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff,
my comfort and my hope.
4. You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold.
5. Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God for evermore.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass of Creation

Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord, God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

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Memorial Acclamation

Mass of Creation

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, O Lord,
until you come again.

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Great Amen

Mass of Creation

Amen, Amen, Amen.
Amen, Amen, Amen.

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Lamb of God

Mass of Creation

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

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Communion Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast
SALZBURG

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King.
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from his pierced side.
Praise we him, whose love divine
Gives his sacred Blood for wine,
Gives his Body for the feast:
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from on high,
Hell's fierce powers beneath you lie;
You have conquered in the fight,
You have brought us life and light.
Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And in you your saints shall rise.

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

Scott Soper

Verses

1. I know that my Re-deem-er lives, the One who
2. I know that I shall one day see the good-ness
3. The last day I shall rise a-gain, shall be re-

1. calls me home. I long to see God face - to - face, to
2. of the Lord, when God will wipe a - way our tears, and
3. made like God. My home shall be by God's own side, the

Refrain

1. see with my own eyes. I know that my Re-
2. death will be no more.
3. dy - ing, ris - ing Lord.

1 2 2

deem-er lives, that I shall rise a - gain. gain.

Because the Lord Is My Shepherd

Christopher Walker

*Lord, you are my shepherd, you are my friend;
I want to follow you always,
just to follow my friend.*

Recessional Hymn

The Strife Is O'er
VICTORY

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Verses

1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;
2. The pow'rs of death have done their worst;
3. On the third day Christ rose a - gain,
4. He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell;
5. Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed you,

Now is the Vic - tor's tri - umph won! Songs of re -
But Christ their le - gions has dis - persed. Let shouts of
Glo - rious in maj - es - ty to reign. O let us
The bars from heav'n's high por - tals fell. Let hymns of
Free from death's sting your ser - vants too, That we may

D.C.

joic - ing have be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
swell the joy - ful strain. Al - le - lu - ia!
praise his tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
live and sing to you. Al - le - lu - ia!

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Entrada**La Fiesta del Señor**
Carmelo Erdozáin

A-le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, es la fies - ta del Se - ñor. A - le -
lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, el Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó. A - le -
lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, es la fies - ta del Se - ñor. A - le -
lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, el Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.

1. Ya no hay miedo, ya no hay muerte;
ya no hay penas que llorar;
porque Cristo sigue vivo,
la esperanza abierta está.
2. Cuando un hombre a tu lado
ya no sabe caminar,
no le dejes de la mano,
dale tu felicidad.

Gloria

Misa Luna

Glo - ria a Dios en el cie - lo, y en la tie - rra paz a los
hom - bres que a - ma el Se - ñor. Glo - ria a Dios en el cie - lo. A -
mén. mén. Glo - ria a Dios en el cie - lo. A - mén.

Por tu inmensa gloria te alabamos, te bendecimos,
te adoramos, te glorificamos, te damos gracias, Señor.

Señor Dios, Rey Celestial, Dios Padre todopoderoso.
Señor, Hijo, único, Jesucristo;
Señor Dios, Cordero de Dios, Hijo del Padre;

Tú que quitas el pecado del mundo, ten piedad de nosotros;
tú que quitas el pecado del mundo, atiende nuestra súplica;
tú que estás sentado a la derecha del Padre, ten piedad de nosotros.

Porque solo tú eres Santo, solo tú Señor,
solo tú Altísimo Jesucristo,
con el Espíritu Santo en la gloria de Dios Padre. Amen.

Salmo Responsorial

Salmo 118 • Ronald Krisman

La pie - dra que de - se - cha - ron los ar - qui - tec - tos, es a -
ho - ra la pie - dra an - gu - lar, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.

Den gracias al Señor porque es bueno,
porque es eterna su misericordia.

Mejor es refugiarse en el Señor
que fiarse de los hombres,
mejor es refugiarse en el Señor
que fiarse de los jefes. **R.**

Te doy gracias, porque me escuchaste
y fuiste mi salvación.
La piedra que desecharon los arquitectos
es ahora la piedra angular.

Es el Señor quien lo ha hecho,
ha sido un milagro patente. **R.**

Bendito el que viene en nombre del
Señor,
los bendecimos desde la casa del Señor.
Tú eres mi Dios, te doy gracias;
Dios mío, yo te ensalzo.
Den gracias al Señor porque es bueno,
porque es eterna su misericordia. **R.**

Aclamación del Evangelio

Aleluya de Pascua

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Ante la nueva, Pedro y Juan acuden prestos al lugar /
a Cristo en él no encontrarán, Aleluya. **R.**

Preparación de las Ofrendas

Visión Pastoral

Juan Romero

1. Eran cien ovejas que había en su rebaño,
Eran cien ovejas que amante cuidó;
Pero una tarde al contarlas todas,
Le faltaba una, le faltaba una y triste lloró.
Las noventa y nueve dejó en el aprisco
Y por la montaña a buscarla fue;
La encontró llorando, temblando de frío.
Ungió sus heridas, la cargó en sus hombros y al redil volvió.
2. Esta antigua historia vuelve a repetirse,
Todavía hay ovejas que errabundas van;
Con el alma rota van por los collados,
Temblando de frío, vagando en el mundo, sin Dios y sin luz.
Pero todavía existen pastores
Que por la montaña a buscarlas van,
Y cuando las hallan, las traen al camino,
Al camino bueno, la Verdad y Vida que es Cristo el Señor.
3. Si tú eres un alma que sufre la angustia
De sentirse sola en cruel lobreguez,
Hoy te traigo nuevas, nuevas de gran gozo,
Es el evangelio que salva y redime y te da la luz.
Sea en la montaña o en la cumbre agreste,
Ya fuera en el valle o en abismo cruel,
Cristo el Buen Pastor quiere en pastos verdes
Confortar tu alma, vendar tus heridas y darte la paz.

Santo

Misa Luna

Santo, Santo, Santo es el Señor, Dios del universo.
Llenos están el cielo y la tierra de tu gloria, hosanna.
*Hosanna en el cielo, hosanna en el cielo,
hosanna en el cielo, hosanna. (bis)*
Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor,
Hosanna en el cielo, hosanna.
*Hosanna en el cielo, hosanna en el cielo,
hosanna en el cielo, hosanna. (bis)*

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Aclamación Conmemorativa

Misa Luna

Anunciamos tu muerte, proclamamos tu resurrección.
Ven, Señor, ven, Señor.
ven, Señor Jesús.

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Gran Amén

Misa Luna

Amén, Amén, Amén, Amén

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Cordero de Dios

Misa Luna

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,
ten piedad, ten piedad, ten piedad de nosotros.

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,
ten piedad, ten piedad, ten piedad de nosotros.

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,
danos la paz, danos la paz, danos la paz, Cordero de Dios,
danos la paz, danos la paz, danos la paz, Cordero de Dios.

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Comunión

Tomad y Comed
Cesáreo Gabaráin

1. Los hebreos comieron el maná.
Pero Tú nos ofreces otro pan.
Es el pan que da la vida, comida celestial.
Sacramento de amor y de unidad.
2. En la cena pascual quisiste ser
el Cordero ofrecido por amor.
Fuiste víctima inocente y manjar de eternidad.
Sacramento de amor y de unidad.
3. Una tarde yo supe que eras Tú
compartiendo mi pan en Emaús.
Me elegiste para ser y crear fraternidad.
Sacramento de amor y de unidad.

To-mad y co-med, es-to es mi cuer-po; to-mad y be-bed,
és-ta es mi san-gre; to-mad y co-med, yo soy vues-tro
pan. To-mad y co-med, yo soy vues-tro pan.

Jesús, el Buen Pastor

Alejandro Mejía

El Se-ñor es mi pas-tor, la vi-da ha
da-do por mí; yo su voz he
de-es-cu-char y su-yo siem-pre se-ré.

1. Yo soy el buen pastor;
doy la vida a mis ovejas;
por su nombre yo las llamo
y con gran amor me siguen.
2. Yo no soy el mercenario
que abandona las ovejas,
cuando ve venir al lobo,
que las mata y las dispersa.
3. Yo conozco a mis ovejas
y ellas también me conocen,
como el Padre me conoce,
yo también conozco al Padre.
4. Tengo otras ovejas lejos
y es preciso que las traiga;
mi llamada escucharán
y se hará sólo un rebaño.
5. Mis ovejas mi voz oyen
y me siguen por doquiera;
yo les doy la vida eterna,
ellas no verán la muerte.

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Salida

Resucitó
Kiko Argüello

Refrain
Re-su-ci-tó, re-su-ci-tó, re-su-ci-
A-le-lu-ya, a-le-lu-ya, a-le-lu-
1, 2 2nd time: Final
to Verses
tó, a-le-lu-ya. A-le-lu-ya.
ya, re-su-ci-tó. tó.

1. La muerte ¿dónde está la muerte?
¿Dónde está mi muerte?
¿Dónde su victoria?
2. Gracias sean dadas al Padre
que nos pasó a su reino
donde se vive de amor.



April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Written by
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DISCIPLE

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

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Several years ago I went to a shopping mall with my six-year-old son, and I could tell he was overwhelmed by the fast-moving crowds; he stuck close to my side. Not long into our trip, he turned a corner and, suddenly, his face lit up. He pointed at a young boy ahead. "That's James! I know him! He's in my class!" he exclaimed, and ran up to talk to him. Out of the sea of strangers was someone he *knew*, and who knew him. That changed the whole experience for him. Today's readings are all about that kind of knowing. In the Gospel Jesus tells us that, like a good shepherd, he knows his flock and they know him. How comforting it is to know that Jesus not only knows each one of us, but he willingly chose to lay down his life for each one of us as the ultimate sacrifice of love. But how do we get to know our Good Shepherd better? By immersing ourselves in Scripture and prayer and seeking a personal relationship with him. If we stay close to the Lord, we'll know his voice when we hear it - in the quiet of our prayer, in the everyday promptings of the Spirit in our decision-making, and even, in the midst of all the noise, as the calming and guiding voice leading us along the right path.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Being known is one of the most fundamental human and spiritual needs. When my son recognized his friend, he also instinctively recognized - without being able to articulate it - this need, in the midst of the anonymity of the mall. And his reaction was so pure: "I know him, and he knows me!" But he didn't leave it at that; he went to engage with his friend. He *encountered* his friend. This is what Christ desires for, and with us - not just to know us, to simply recognize us from afar, but for us to want to encounter him! We are meant to be in community; Jesus is always here for us: in the Church, in the sacraments, in Scriptures and in our hearts.

PRAY Spending time in prayer and reading the Scriptures are essential in order to get to know the voice of Jesus. Read the Gospels this week, even a chapter a day, and contemplate what passages stand out for you. Pray about it at Mass. The Scriptures and the sacraments are how Jesus speaks to us, like a good shepherd speaks to his flock so the sheep will know his voice and follow it.

St. Mark the Evangelist – April 25

While many saints have well-documented biographies, St. Mark's life remains vague despite his recognition in Christianity due to the Gospel of Mark. However, the Coptic Church, which considers St. Mark its founder, offers a more complete account of his life.

St. Mark was an African native of Jewish parents of the Levite tribe. His family lived in Cyrenaica until they were attacked by barbarians and lost all their property. They moved to Jerusalem, where St. Mark grew up. He was well-educated and conversant in Greek, Latin, and Hebrew. He was a cousin to St. Barnabas, and his father was a cousin of St. Peter.

The Coptic tradition holds that the upper room, where Jesus instituted the Eucharist and where the resurrected Jesus appeared to the Apostles, belonged to St. Mark's mother, Mary. They believe St. Mark was present at the wedding at Cana and was the one carrying water in Jerusalem when the disciples went to prepare a place for Jesus to celebrate the Passover (Mk 14:13-14).

St. Mark founded the Church in Alexandria and was bishop there. He left to preach in other parts of northern Africa. He returned to Alexandria for Easter in 68 AD. That day fell upon a pagan feast, and a mob converged on the celebrating Christians. The mob captured St. Mark and dragged him by a rope through the city until he died.

St. Peter was St. Mark's primary source for the Gospel he wrote. His Gospel was primarily written for Gentile believers in Rome.

St. Mark, pray for us. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

San Marcos Evangelista - 25 de abril

Aunque muchos santos tienen biografías bien documentadas, la vida de San Marcos sigue siendo vaga a pesar de su reconocimiento en el cristianismo debido al Evangelio de Marcos. Sin embargo, la Iglesia copta, que considera a San Marcos su fundador, ofrece un relato más completo de su vida.

San Marcos era un africano de padres judíos de la tribu de los levitas. Su familia vivió en Cirenaica hasta que fueron atacados por los bárbaros y perdieron todos sus bienes. Se trasladaron a Jerusalén, donde creció. Era culto y dominaba el griego, el latín y el hebreo. Era primo de San Bernabé y su padre era primo de San Pedro.

La tradición copta sostiene que la habitación superior, donde Jesús instituyó la Eucaristía y donde Jesús resucitado se apareció a los Apóstoles, pertenecía a la madre de San Marcos, María. Creen que San Marcos estuvo presente en las bodas de Caná y que fue quien llevó agua a Jerusalén cuando los discípulos fueron a preparar un lugar para que Jesús celebrara la Pascua (Mc 14, 13-14).

San Marcos fundó la Iglesia en Alejandría y fue obispo allí. Salió para predicar en otras partes del norte de África. Regresó a Alejandría para la Pascua del año 68 d.C.. Ese día coincidió con una fiesta pagana, y una turba se abalanzó sobre los cristianos que celebraban. La turba capturó a San Marcos y lo arrastró con una cuerda por la ciudad hasta que murió.

San Pedro fue la fuente principal del Evangelio que escribió San Marcos. Su Evangelio fue escrito principalmente para los creyentes gentiles de Roma.

San Marcos, ruega por nosotros. Inmaculado Corazón de María, ruega por nosotros.

Information/Información

St. Vincent de Paul for Friday's Food Pantry

For the weekend of April 28, please bring canned milk. THANK YOU!

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Para el fin de semana del 28 de abril, por favor traigan leche enlatada. GRACIAS!

SCHEDULE OF SECOND COLLECTIONS

May 5 - Facility Improvement

May 19 - Catholic Charities

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FECHAS DE SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

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19 de mayo - Caridades Catolicas

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~Nick & Kayleigh

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~Leonard & Lori

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"The Retreat taught us the theology of marriage and showed us examples, through God's teachings, of how to deal with every day issues." ~Luis & Shana

"Couples in Cana gave us the opportunity to grow closer and more intimate together. Beyond that, it provided a much needed opportunity to connect with our Lord Jesus, who continues to strengthen and fill our marriage with His grace." ~Derek & Kira

TESTIMONIOS DE PAREJAS

"Los maravillosos oradores, los testimonios de corazón, la hermosa música y el Santísimo Sacramento. El Espíritu Santo llenó la habitación cuando entendimos el significado 'verdadero' del Sacramento del Matrimonio y la **Unión de Dios, el Hombre y la Mujer como uno.**"

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OTHER TESTIMONIES

"El Retiro me enseñó cuál es el papel de un hombre en el matrimonio, para qué estaba realmente destinado el matrimonio y cómo puedo cumplir y vivir ese papel." ~Nick & Kayleigh

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"¡El Retiro nos llamó a llevar nuestras tinajas de piedra vacías a Jesús para que Él pueda llenar nuestro matrimonio hasta el borde!" ~Joe & Cindy

"El Retiro nos enseñó la teología del matrimonio y nos mostró ejemplos, a través de las enseñanzas de Dios, de cómo lidiar con los problemas cotidianos." ~Luis & Shana

"Las parejas en Cana nos dieron la oportunidad de acercarnos y tener más intimidad juntos. Más allá de eso, brindó una oportunidad muy necesaria para conectarnos con nuestro Señor Jesús, quien continúa fortaleciendo y llenando nuestro matrimonio con Su gracia." ~Derek & Kira



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When: April 27 – 9:30am – 12:30pm

Where: Parish Hall

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Weekly Calendar/Calendario Semanal

Mon. Apr. 22nd

8:45am	Men's Fellowship Group	Library
5:00pm	Legion of Mary/Eng	Library
7:00pm	Escuela de la Cruz	John
7:00pm	Men of St. Joseph	Library
7:00pm	Bible Study/Sp	Hall A
7:00pm	Daughters of Mary	Matthew

Tues. Apr. 23rd

10:00am	IHM Crafters	Library
12:00pm	Food Bank	Pkg. Lot
3:00pm	CCD/Eng.	All Classrooms/Hall A/B/C
4:00pm	RCIC	Library
4:15pm	CCD and Edge	Hall A/B/C/All Classrooms
6:00pm	Confessions	Church
6:00pm	Legion de Maria/Sp	Chapel
7:00pm	CCD/Sp	Hall A/B/C/Mk/Lk/Jn
7:00pm	SPRED	Matt/Library
7:00pm	Parent Faith Formation/Sp.	Church

Wed. Apr. 24th

3:00pm	IHM Good Shepherd	Hall A/B/C, Jn
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Thurs. Apr. 25th

10:00am	Women's Faith Sharing	Library
3:30pm	IHM Good Shepherd	Hall A/B/C/Jn
3:30pm	Ministry of Caring/Counseling	Library
5:00pm	Widow and Widowers	Library
6:30pm	Youth Group	Hall A/B/C
7:00pm	RCIA	Matt/Mk
7:00pm	Discovering Christ	Library
7:00PM	C.O.V. Coordinator's Mtg.	John

Fri. Apr. 26th

8:30am	St. Vincent de Paul	Hall A/B/C
3:30pm	Bible Study/Eng.	Library
7:00pm	RICIA/Confirmation Adult/Sp	John
7:00pm	Faith Formation/Fathers	Mark
7:00pm	C.O.V./Youth	Luke
7:00pm	Emmaus Men/Eng. Monthly Mtg,	Matthew

Sat. Apr. 27th

9:00am	Faith Formation/Eng.	All classrooms/Library
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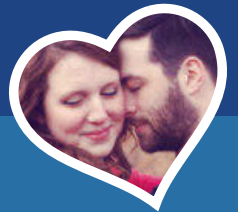
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