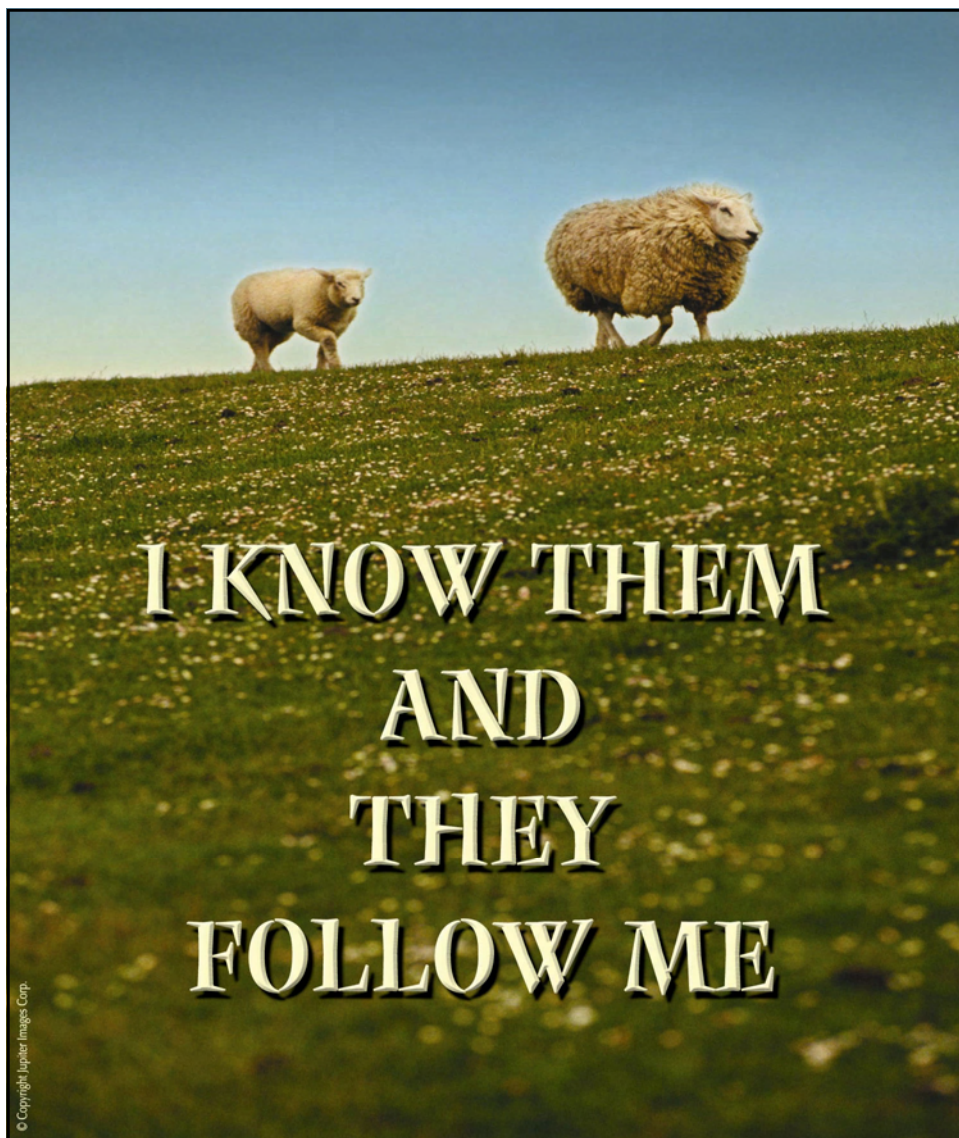


St. Cletus Canticle

April 29, 2007

Fourth Sunday of Easter



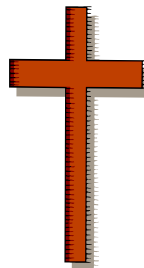
Mass Intentions for the Week of April 30—May 6

Day	Time	Intention
Monday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Anne Grundman
Tuesday	8:00am	Paulina Slobodnik, Sven Nylen, Dorothy Salvato, Joseph Kasperski
Wednesday	8:00am	Linda Felice, Chester Yobe
Thursday	8:00am	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Haraburda, Mary Ricciardone, Calandriello Family
Friday	8:00am	Purgatorial Society - Nan Rettig, Joseph Megla, Celeste Klees
Saturday	8:00am 5:00pm	Eva & Stanley Grabowski, Brother Michael Grace, Paulina Slobodnik Ed Smithy
Sunday	7:00am 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Sophie Wojcik Margi Schmitt Rev. Robert Shannon, Geraldine Okkema Bennie M. Carnevale, William Bresnahan, Judy Hofstetter



We welcome into our faith community:

Kathleen Marie Cerwin
daughter of William and Carol Cerwin
Gavin John Rhodes
son of Adam and Stayce Rhodes
Keona Lorraine Rhodes
daughter of Adam and Stayce Rhodes



Please pray for those who have died and their families:

Mary Jean Sternquist
Fr. Albert Gallegos
Joanna Klecka, sister of Kenneth Klecka
Joseph Kasperski, father of Kathleen
John Rafacz, father of Carla Catalano



May 5-6

- 5:00pm - Heidi Heim, Kristen Collins, Natalie Gacek, Jimmy Heim
- 7:00am - Ben Okkema, Conor McLaughlin, Tommy Murphy, Ryan Temple
- 8:00am - Dominick DeLaurentis, Meghan Flannery, Kathleen Lawler, Cecilia Luxem
- 9:30am - Mike Micek, Amanda Dostal, Mary Figura, Dillon Cherny
- 11:00am - Elle Mrazek, Eddie Ashe, Patrick Kelley, Mark Patterson

Auxiliary Minister Schedule

<u>Saturday, May 5, 2007</u>			<u>9:30 AM</u>			LR Carole Caruso
<u>5:00 PM</u>			SM Rose Curnutt	C1 Jo Maday		
SM Barbara Koch	C1	Sheila McLaughlin Mary Kay Condon	B2 Kim Benkert	C2 John Benkert		
B2 Susan Hockman	C2	Erin Sheridan	B3 Mickie Reichl	C3 Jeanine Nolan		
B3 Carole Bartucci	C3	Len Loch	B4 Shirley Hullinger	C4 Rose Curnutt		
B4 Toni Swindall	C4	Barbara Koch	B5 Larry Kelliher	C5 Karen Kelliher		
B5 Vic Swindall	C5	Alfreda Guide	B6 Veronica Horak	C6 Alice Williams		
B6 Cathy Schump	C6	Diane Andrews	<u>11:00 AM</u>			
<u>Sunday, May 6, 2007</u>			LR Mike McDonnell			
<u>7:00 AM</u>			SM JDebra Samuelson	LR Marlene Chaney		
SM Ron Zmuda			C1 Ron Augustyn	C2 Jackie Wiley		
B2 Louise Zmuda			B2 Jean Meuwissen	C3		
B3 Louise Zmuda			B3 Aurora Mangahas	C4		
B4 David Smith			B4	C5		
B5 Paul Smith			B5	C6		
B6 Mary Ann Mezan			B6			
<u>8:00 AM</u>						
SM Sandy McCartney	C1	Bill Bolton Maggie Meade				
B2 Barbara Stamm	C2	Richard Stamm				
B3 Denise Parlier	C3	Jon Parlier				
B4 Louis Curotto	C4	Sandy McCartney				
B5 Judy Micek	C5	Dan Micek				
B6 Mary Jane Walsh	C6	Christine Nicosia				



FR. BOB'S UTTERINGS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." (John 10:27)

Adolescence is not the only time we are brought to a new place in life, but it can certainly be one of the more poignant times, and for some the first time among many yet to be cracked and scrambled upon our plate. How we make it through adolescence can baffle anyone who seeks order and predictability. The years can be a silent call of the wild, or they can drag us out of childhood's bed into a new and far-off morning. Somehow we do find our way through that maze of adolescence and into various sizes of maturity, yet never without dead ends or blind alleys, and always over time—sometimes much time.

There are other mazes as well—midlife, parenthood, divorce, the death of a spouse, retirement—enough of them, it seems, that we are tempted to think of it all as one maze, life-long, groping our way on some endless quest. Hindsight offers some clarity, though at times it seems too late. Nevertheless, we look back and say we made it, even if with bruises and scars. Yet we made it, now wondering how, then with continual plodding because the treadmill would not stop.

For the disciples of Jesus his words then begin to make sense. "I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28)

SOME WAYS IN WHICH JESUS KNOWS HIS ST CLETUS SHEEP

Through our communion visitors and our monthly masses at the two nursing homes in our parish; through the daily visits made to the sick in the hospital and to those who are homebound; through our celebration at the Religious Education end of the year mass this Sunday at 12:30pm followed by an ice cream social; through the eighth grade retreat which took place the week before last with Fr. Tom McCarthy; through our Confirmation I retreat which took place last Sunday at Katherine Legge Lodge; through the workshop that our entire parish pastoral staff attended the week before last in Milwaukee on parish development and welcoming; through the tremendous generosity of all our parishioners as expressed in their Easter donations which totals \$111,532 as of this week; through our parish Confirmations which will take place on Sunday May 6th at 12:30pm and 6:00pm; through the celebration of the Feast of St. Cletus last Thursday and the Holy Name Society going to breakfast together afterward; through our monthly Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament which next will take place on Monday May 7th from 8:30am to 6:00pm (please note the earlier time for Benediction for May only); through our celebration of 1st Holy Communions which will take place on Saturday May 12th; through our St. Cletus School Graduation which will take place on Sunday June 3rd at 12:30pm --- just to name a few. Jesus truly knows His sheep here at St. Cletus and they do follow Him!

May the Blessings of the Risen Christ continue to be Present to Each One of You----Christ's Sheep!

*Love,
Father Bob*



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.
 Sunday, April 29, 2007

Fourth Sunday of Easter; Good Shepherd Sunday; World day of prayer For Vocations Of sheep and shepherds
 The parable of the Good Shepherd is one of the most comforting in the Bible—God will find us when we're lost—and also one of the most challenging—God will not allow one of us to be lost. "To leave the 99 in favor of the one," writes Sister Helene Hayes on the Sisters of the Good Shepherd website, "is to understand our universal kinship with all human beings. It is to understand that our salvation and liberation are intertwined in a profound way with the salvation and liberation of the 'stray ones,' the poor, the ostracized." Listen to the Good Shepherd's voice and you will know unconditional love; follow in the Good Shepherd's footsteps and you will share that unconditional love with others. That is the vocation of every Christian: to listen and follow.

Today's readings: *Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52; Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30*
"My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me."

Monday, April 30 Feast of Pius V, Pope

Poor in spirit

Even though the man who was to be Pope Pius V (1504-1572) would become a university professor, head of several houses of the Dominican order, a bishop and cardinal, a grand inquisitor, and eventually pope who had to implement the reforms of the Council of Trent, it seems he never forget where he came from. Born of impoverished Italian nobility, as a boy he worked as a shepherd. After becoming pope he lived a simple and prayerful lifestyle, built hospitals, and opened the papal treasury to care for the poor, with whom he was personally involved. He kept wearing his Dominican habit, establishing the custom of popes wearing white. Prayer and service, worship and works of mercy will keep you close to God and the gospel, whatever else you do.

Today's readings: *Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18; John 10:1-10*
"The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us."

Tuesday, May 1 Feast of Joseph the Worker

Jobs well done

In a well-known quote, Saint Teresa of Ávila, the great 16th-century Spanish Carmelite sister, mystic, reformer, writer, and spiritual master, said that "God walks among the pots and pans." It was her way of saying you can find the presence of God in the pots, pans, and in every other thing and every other person in daily life. And you can respond to this presence with love, care, and devotion, in a spirit of trust and faith. Work is no exception.

Everyone works in one way or another. As you work and encounter others on this feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, the one who labored and provided for Jesus and Mary, do so with a spirit of attention and love for the person and the task. In this way you will do all things well.

Today's readings: *Genesis 1:26-2:3 or Colossians 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Matt. 13:54-58*
"Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Wednesday, May 2 Feast of Athanasius, Bishop, doctor

Saint Athanasius was the fourth-century bishop of Alexandria, an important city in Egypt. One of things he is known for is his opposition to the Arian heresy, which denied the full divinity of Christ. In making this stand, he opposed many in the church and incurred the wrath of emperors, who banished him five times. He spent a total of 17 years in exile. This courageous stand spawned the expression *Athanasius contra mundum*: "Athanasius against the world."

The heresies about Jesus mostly had to do with not appreciating he was both fully divine and fully human except for sin. Some could not accept he was really God, while others could not tolerate the thought that God could become human. Eventually the whole church saw Athanasius was right, but at the time matters weren't so clear. God walks with us in the person of Jesus. Believe it!

Today's readings: *Acts of the Apostles 12:24-13:5a; John 12:44-50*

"Whoever believes in me believes not in me but in him who sent me."

Thursday, May 3 Feast of Philip and James, Apostles; national of prayer; national teacher

Show the way

One of the things Jesus did was teach—to show his first disciples the way of the kingdom of God. In turn, he sent them out to teach the gospel. The apostles Philip and James were two of these people. It's also clear the early disciples were people of prayer: Once Jesus had left them in the flesh, prayer was the way to remain in communion with him.

Today the United States celebrates teachers and prayer. Obviously you can pray for teachers today, and you can also appreciate how good teachers show people the way—to knowledge, life skills, good judgment. For their part, teachers of the faith guide others to friendship with God. You probably have to teach in one way or another. Pray to be an effective teacher as well as to have the openness to learn.

Today's readings: *1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14*
"I am the way, and the truth, and the life."

Friday, May 4

Easter Weekday; Canada Optional: Blessed Marie Léonie Paradis

Asking for directions

An old joke insists that men are peculiarly incapable of asking for directions. Yet saints, male and female alike, didn't seem to suffer from this malady. Take Marie Léonie Paradis (1840-1912) as an example. Born in Canada, she worked largely in the U.S.

Making religious vows in one community, she wound up founding another. Initially serving in orphanages, she is best known for caring for retired priests. At her beatification, Pope John Paul II said, "Never doubting her call, she often asked, 'Lord, show me your ways,' so that she would know the concrete form of her service in the church."

Today's readings: *Acts of the Apostles 13:26-33; John 14:1-6*
"Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?'"

Saturday, May 5 Easter Weekday; Cinco de Mayo

What a difference

Many people in Mexico and many Mexican Americans will celebrate Cinco de Mayo today. The holiday commemorates the Battle of Puebla in 1862, when an outnumbered Mexican force under a 33-year-old general defeated an invading French army. Today the holiday has become a celebration of Mexican culture. Different cultures testify to the richness of human diversity and God's creation. Explore your own culture, and make a point to learn about another's by paying a visit to an ethnic arts center or festival.

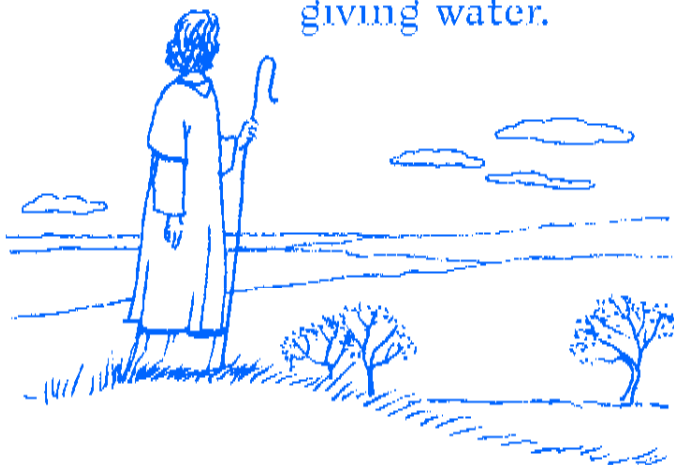
Today's readings: *Acts of the Apostles 13:44-52; John 14:7-14*
"The Word of the Lord spread throughout the region."

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He will shepherd them
and lead them
to springs of life-
giving water.



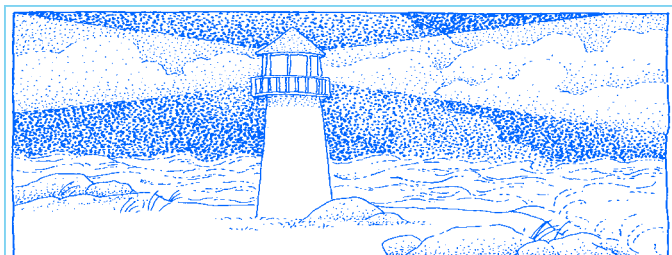
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THE SHEPHERD'S FLOCK

In Christian art, the earliest depictions of Jesus Christ were not of his crucifixion or of his resurrection. The first known renderings of Jesus show him as the Good Shepherd, the image put before us in today's readings. In the Gospel passage Jesus reveals that he is the shepherd and his followers are his "flock."

In the first and second readings, we are told more about the flock. The passage from Acts assures us that both Jews and Gentiles are called to follow Jesus. It is faith, not birthright, that makes us part of the company of believers. In the passage from the book of Revelation we learn that the flock that follows this Lamb of God will also be washed in his blood. They will endure a time of trial before they enjoy eternal life. Be assured of the promise, we are told, but know there is a price to be paid.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
- Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58
- Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
- Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14
- Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
- Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

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Scripture

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- Monday: St. Pius V
- Tuesday: St. Joseph the Worker
- Wednesday: St. Athanasius
- Thursday: Sts. Philip and James; National Day of Prayer
- Friday: First Friday
- Saturday: First Saturday; Cinco de Mayo

Legacy

We want to give our children what we didn't have, but lets make sure we give them what we did have: our faith.
-Anonymous

**Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2007**

*"I have made you a light to the Gentiles,
that you may be an instrument of salvation
to the ends of the earth."*

— Acts 13:47b

Welcome Sunday Next Weekend

Welcome to all St. Cletus newcomers. Registration is available next weekend, May 5/6, after the 5:00pm Saturday Mass and the 7:00, 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00am Sunday Masses. Please stop by the back of church, say hello, and become members.

Here's a Bright Idea!!

Join us for a Week of fun at our Fiesta!

Location: St. Cletus Education Building

Fiesta: June 18 – June 22

Fiesta fun begins at: 9:00am

Fiesta fun ends at: Noon

For more information, call: Pat Kahl (708) 352-2383

For ages 5-9 years-old
Cost \$25



Ole! Join the Festival Team!
We're searching for the best leaders around!

Qualifications

- Are comfortable sharing your faith.
- Want to have a wonderful summer experience.

Responsibilities

- Attend a leader training meeting.
- Attend Fiesta each day.
- Participate in fun activities.
- Arrive 20 minutes early to greet crew members each day.

Fiesta begins June 18 and ends June 22.

Attention! Holy Name Members

Our Past President's Dinner will be held on Friday, May 4. The dinner will be held at Sawa's Old Warsaw located at 9200 W. Cermak Rd., Broadview. The cost of the evening is \$10 per person. Please bring a donation for the raffle. Cocktails: 6:30pm, Dinner: 7:00pm. Hope to see you there!

Dan Gibbons

Confirmation Rehearsal

All Year II Candidates, their sponsors and a parent are required to attend the Confirmation rehearsal on Wednesday, May 2, 7:30pm in church. Questions? Please contact me in the Youth Ministry Office: (708) 352-4641 or Marybeth.ford@stcletusparish.com. Thank you.

Mary Beth Ford

Our Sharing Parishes

The parishes of Blessed Sacrament, Presentation and Our Lady of Lourdes have been integrated into St. Agatha's Parish. In order for this Catholic community to succeed, they need our help and prayers. Please continue to be generous with our Sharing Parishes the first Sunday of the month.



April 22, 2007

Budgeted revenue:	\$ 29,061
Collection received:	23,925
Shortfall last week:	- 5,136
Revenue to budget	
Shortfall for this fiscal year:	- 116,613
# Of envelopes mailed:	3,291
# Of envelopes returned:	870

Adult Catechism Study

The next session of the Adult Catechism Study will focus on the Sacraments - what they are, how they came to be, why they are important for our salvation. We will study Baptism and Holy Eucharist in depth. The meeting will be on Tuesday, May 1, 7:00pm in Room 213 of the Education Building. All are welcome! Catechisms will be available. Information: Call Rita at (708) 352-3374.

Leisure Loafers

Our next meeting is Thursday, May 3, at 1:00pm in Morrissey Hall. Let's have cake and coffee and then play Bingo. I hope to see many members there!

Alice Katzmarek

WEEK at a Glance

Monday, April 30

- Men's BB - 8:30pm—Morrissey Hall

Tuesday, May 1

- 1st Communion Practice - 6:00pm-Church
- CCM - 6:30pm – Room 210
- Hispanic Sacrament Prep - 6:30pm -Room 201
- Catechism Study Group - 7:00pm -Room 213
- Tech Committee Meeting - 7:00pm - Library

Wednesday, May 2

- Market Day – 4:30pm - Morrissey Hall
- Athletic Association Board - 6:00pm -
Morrissey Hall
- Confirmation Rehearsal - 6:30pm - Church

Thursday, May 3

- Leisure Loafers - 1:00pm - Morrissey Hall
- CCM - 6:30pm - Room 210

Friday, May 4

- Holy Name - 7:00pm - Room 201

Saturday, May 5

- Confessions - 4:15-4:45pm - Church

Sunday, May 6

- Confirmation - 12:30pm - Church

Parish Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Next weekend, on Sunday, May 6, we invite you to join our Confirmation Candidates, their families, sponsors, advisors, pastoral staff and Bishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller at a 12:30pm Liturgy for our parish celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation. We pray that the Holy Spirit will renew our lives, strengthen our relationship with God and urge us onward in our faith journeys. A reception follows in Morrissey Hall.

Mary Beth Ford

Gift Cards Available through the MANNA Program

We will once again be offering gift cards/certificates for purchase through the MANNA Program after all MASSES this Saturday & Sunday, April 28/29 in the church vestibule. "MANNA" is a convenient way to purchase gift certificates for several stores without the hassle of driving and waiting in long lines. Consider buying Home Depot and Menard's gift cards for your Spring home improvement projects. MANNA is an ongoing fundraising program offered weekly through the St. Cletus FSA. The FSA purchases these gift cards at a discount, sells them at face value and the difference is the profit for St. Cletus School. Order forms are available at the MANNA table on the day of purchase. Any questions, please call Caryn Dombro at (630) 789-8560 or Lisa Heim at (708) 354-4257.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is a special celebration of *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. The world-wide Church honors all Christian vocations. We pray that our church may be enriched by our commitment to remain faithful to God's call. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, guides and protects us on our life journey. You are invited to participate in this faithfulness to God's call for you. For more information, contact Sr. Peter Mary Hettling, CSJ at (312) 751-5245 or phettling@archchicago.org.



our sick in your prayers: Ron Hofstetter, Robert Orrico, Sister Arlene Gibson, Zach Sperka, Marguerite May, Mike Patzelt, Richard Taylor, Rita D'Onofrio, Anthony Regalado, Marilyn Matesevac, Joanne Mate, Adrienne Welenc, Hunter Peters, Mario Aguilar, Cacilia Ziegler, Jackie Dudley, Ruth Calandriello, Ann Marie Nabor, Nadine Pankow, Patty Johnson, Connie Kostecki, Jonii Patterson, Agnes Suennen, Joseph Johnson, Rose Ptak, Bridie Boyce, Stephanie Yakowicz, Virginia Wilson, Gail Pankow-Locker, Josie Spoto, Larry Wojnar, Louise Jaunich, Frank Werner, Agnes Olszowka, Michael Karpinski, Emil Chlapecka, Augustin Jaso, Marie Krolecki, Mary O'Rourke, Debbie Broz, Scott May. Also pray for our parishioners who are homebound and unable to attend Mass. Please know we pray daily for our sick and dying.

MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,
11:00 AM, 6:00 PM (Spanish)

Monday: 8:00AM

Tuesday: 8:00AM

Wednesday: 8:00AM

Thursday: 8:00AM

Friday: 8:00AM

Evening before Holy Day: 7:00 PM

Holy Day: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM

Weekdays: Monday thru Saturday: 8:00 AM

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM. Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation Class. Please make arrangements by calling the Rectory office (352-6209).

WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care office (215-5407)

CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday of the month 4:15-4:45 PM

Rectory Office Hours

Monday:	8:00am-7:00pm
Tuesday:	8:00am-7:00pm
Wednesday:	8:00am-7:00pm
Thursday:	8:00am-7:00pm
Friday:	8:00am-7:00pm
Saturday:	9:00am-7:00pm
Sunday:	8:00am-1:00pm

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