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Fourth Sunday of Easter*

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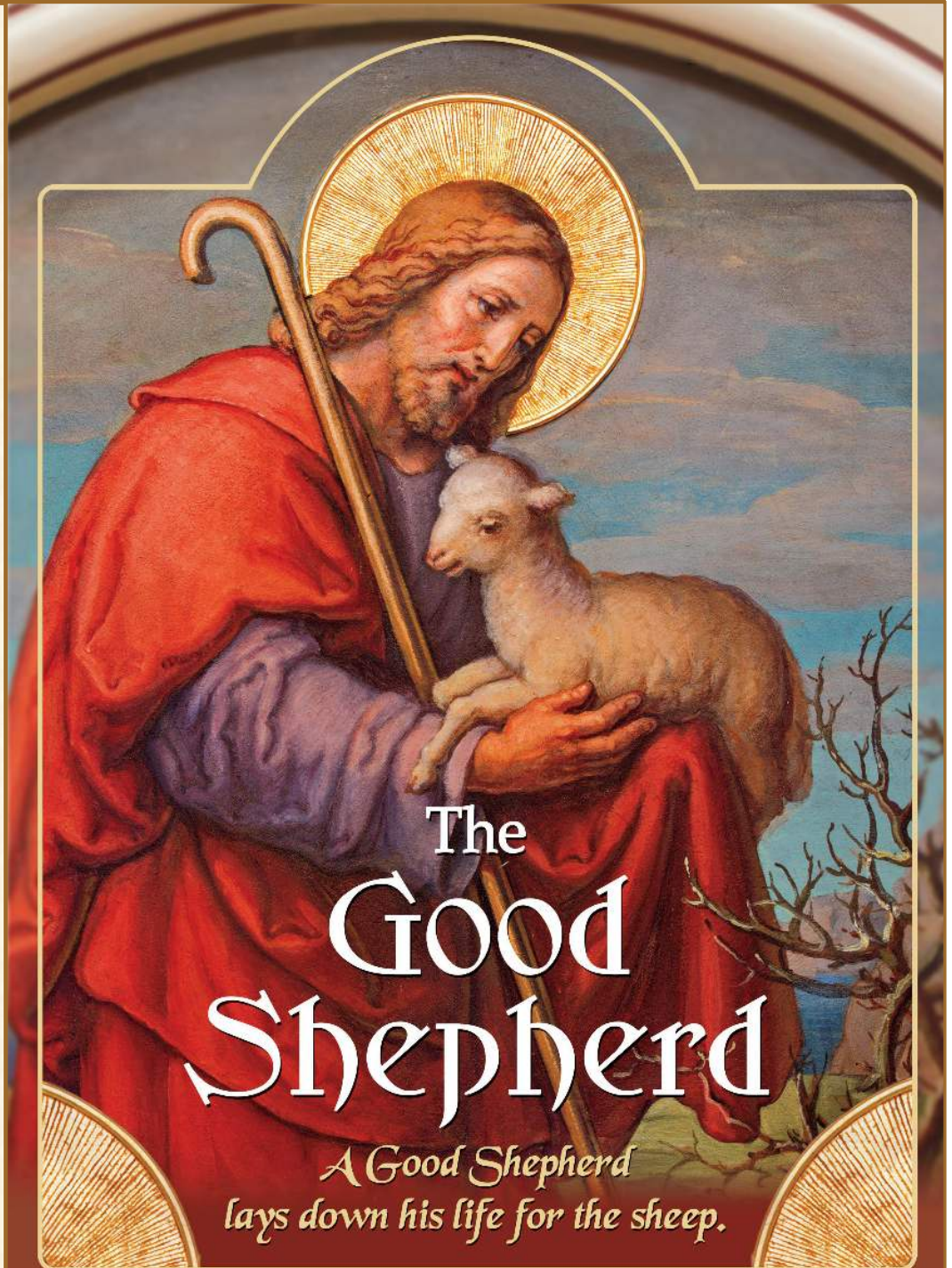
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April 26, 2026

Mass Intentions for the week of April 26th to May 3rd

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 AM Ray Eriksen † by the Eriksen family	7:00 AM Special Intentions for the Yuskewich children by their mom	7:00 AM Special Intention for Lukas Markley (last chemo) by Diana	7:00 AM Cody Fisette † by the family
9:30 AM Maria, Ted Pahago & David Meno † by Mary Dickie	8:30 AM Leopold & Anna Zbiegien † by their daughter, Margaret	8:30 AM Edward & Catherine Morin † by their daughter, Kathleen Weldon	8:30 AM Sarah Miller † by her mom
11:30 AM Betty Concannon † by Peggy	<i>Jesus is the gate for the sheep.</i>		

LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Fifth Sunday of Easter
Thinking about the Readings**

1. What part do I play in building up the body of Christ?
2. Is it easy or difficult for me to have faith in Jesus?
3. When have I been ridiculed for my faith? How did I deal with it?
4. What is my experience of God the Father?

**Readings for 5th Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2025**

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

They chose Stephen

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

“The stone that the builders rejected, became the corner stone”.

Gospel: John 14:1-12

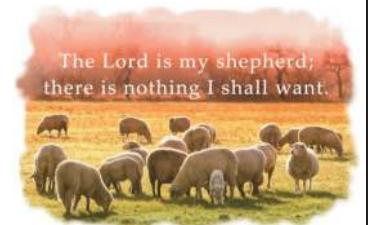
“I am the way, and the truth and the life”

DEVOTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer) at 8:10am (before the 8:30 mass), Mon.-Thu. (unless no school on Fri.)
 Recitation of the Rosary: Mon. – Sat., 9am in the Chapel.
 Novena – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Tuesday, after the 8:30am Mass.
 Spanish Adoration & Prayer Group, Thursdays 6:00pm
 Holy Hour 9-10 – Thurs. (except holidays) after the 8:30 Mass, Divine Mercy, Rosary, Silent Prayer, Benediction.
 Holy Days – Same as Sundays (7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am)
 Holy Day Vigil – 7:00pm
 Fatima Sundays—Every 3rd Sunday of the Month from May through October, 3-4:30pm.
 Litanies—After the 8:30am Mass

For Reflection:

We know that if we follow the shepherd of our souls, we are on the way to the true life. Where Christ is, there perfect happiness is, and there with God's grace we hope and trust to be.



Today's good news

The first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41 and if taken together with that of the following Sunday provides an alternative theme in exploring the preaching of the early Church in the persons of Paul and Barnabas. The mission first to the Jews is now to be placed second to the mission to the Gentiles, — a theme which the reading for next Sunday also explores with the warning of the preachers that those who follow the Lord will necessarily have to endure trial and sufferings.

The second reading is from the first Letter of Peter 2:20-25. In these verses today, St. Peter is giving advice to Christians who were slaves. He tells them to be submissive to their masters with all respect.

The Gospel is from St. John 10:1-10. One of the oldest paintings of Christ, in the Roman catacombs, represents Christ as carrying the injured, straying sheep gently on His shoulders back to the sheepfold. This is an image of Christ which has always appealed to Christians. We have Christ as our shepherd—He tells us so himself in today's gospel—and we do not resent being called sheep in this context. There is something guileless about a sheep, and at the same time a lot of foolishness! But with Christ as our shepherd and the "good shepherd" who is sincerely interested in the true welfare of His flock we have reason to rejoice.

There are many among us today who foolishly think they need no shepherd. They think they know all the facts of life while they are in total ignorance of the most basic fact of all, namely, the very purpose of life. Alas for them, a day of reckoning lies ahead, a day that is much nearer than they would like to believe. What will be their fate when they meet Christ the Judge, whom they had refused to follow and acknowledge during their days on earth?

This is a misfortune that could happen to any one of us, unless we think often of our purpose and our end in life. We have a few short years, but short though they be, we can earn for ourselves an eternity of happiness during this life. Let the straying sheep boast of their false freedom and of the passing joys they may get in this life—this freedom and these joys are mixed with much sorrow, and will end very soon. We know that if we follow the shepherd of our souls, we are on the way to the true life, the perfect life, the unending life which will have no admixture of sorrow, regret or pain. Where Christ is, there perfect happiness is, and there with God's grace we hope and trust to be.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions for the week of April 26th to May 3rd

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:00 AM Linda Smith † by her daughter, Alex Gutierrez	7:00 AM Rozalia Bugno † by the family	8:30 AM Angel Palma † by the family	7:30 AM Tinh-Pham (Teresa) † by the family
8:30 AM Rachel Pereno by the Ruiz-Alvarez family	8:30 AM Joan Horner † by the Horner family	5:00 PM Helen, Dave & Janice † by Joyce	9:30 AM Carmen Fernandez † by her daughter, Yara
Sanctuary lamp is lit for the Special Intentions Cathy Krause & Susan Robello by friends			11:30 AM Nola & Ronnie Johnson † by Curt & Rose

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: Paul And Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message they preached we, too, may greet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But , the Gospel reassures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal.

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering) In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave \$14,219.00 for the ministries of St. Teresa. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

What does “fullness of life” mean to most parishioners?
How would the newly baptized describe it?

Fatima Sunday Dates 2026

May 17th, June 14th, July 12th, August 16th, September 13th, October 11th are the dates to plan ahead for Fatima Sunday services.

Please join us at **3Pm** for an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Anointing of the sick, recitation of the rosary, Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, followed by a special blessing and Benediction.



Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration , April 30th **from 9am to 6:30pm** in the Chapel.

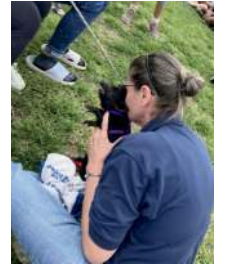
There will be the **Spanish Holy Hour and Exposition from 5:30-6:30pm.**

If anyone would like to sign up for an hour, please call Cheryl Kassack at: 321-383-1312 (H) 321-795-1456 (c)

SCHOOL NEWS



We did it! *Thank you* to all who donated to help us reach our *Fun Run* fundraiser goal. The students had a great time on our Fun & Color Run event, students got to slime their teachers, smash pies in their faces, and even watch a few brave staff members kiss a pig! Our middle schoolers brought the energy to the Color Run, getting covered head-to-toe in color while running, laughing, and making the best memories.



May Crowning Mass and Rosary Procession will be on Wednesday, **May 6 after the 8:30am Mass**

Our Catholic Appeal 2026 We've Made Our Goal

The goal for St Teresa Parish is: **\$127,516**

With 291 gifts received, we have reached our goal and surpassed with \$129,928 pledged to date.

The majority of the amount over stays right here in our parish to be used for needs within our church .

Thank you to all those that have sent their pledge or sent their amount already.



FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education (CCD)
Religious Education Classes (CCD) this
Wednesday in the school at **6:15 pm.**



First Holy Communion
Prep Classes
Prep Session for 3rd Grade
Students (School and Religious Ed.) will be
Wednesday, April 29nd,
from **6:15pm to 7:30pm**
in Avila Hall. If you have
any questions contact the
Faith Formation office.



OCIA
Our OCIA meeting have concluded for this year, contact
the faith formation office for information or questions

“O”ur Catholic Nugget
A Quote from St. Francis of Assisi “All I want to know is
Christ and the power flowing from His Resurrection!”

Adult Bible Study
Winter Bible study has completed. Watch the bulletin for
our next classes.
If you have any questions contact the Faith Formation
office at 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org.

Breakfast Buffet
Join us this **Sunday, April 26th,** for our **Final** Breakfast
Buffet for this year. Buffet will be after each Mass in the
Parish Center. Omelets made to order, pancakes, as well
as Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits and Gravy!
Suggested donation: Adults: \$12, Children 5-12 \$6.
Proceeds will be used to reduce the cost of the Youth
Travelers on our Italy Youth Pilgrimage 2026.

Youth Group Summer Camps
Camp Veritas. **June 9th – 14th** Lake Placid, Florida
Ava Maria Youth Conference 2026 **July 10th – 12th;** Ave
Maria University
If you are interested in attending either or both of these
summer events, please contact the Faith Formation Of-
fice. Cell: (321) 349-5445 (voice or text) Email: faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org

Baptism
To schedule a Baptism or a Preparation
Class contact the Faith Formation Of-
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email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org. The Preparation class will
be held on the date and time you sched-
ule in the Faith Formation Room in
Avila Hall.



Bereavement /Grief Support Group



A Grief, Prayer, Support Group has been orga-
nized for anyone that has lost a loved one or is
interested in participating.
You do not need to be a member of the Parish
to participate.
Meetings will be held on **Thursdays from 4:30-6:30PM.**
All are welcome. For additional information, please contact
the Parish Office @321-268-3441

Blue Army Rosary



Blue Army Rosary and Chaplets
The St. Teresa Chapter of the Blue Army is host-
ing, in the Chapel, a **weekly:**
Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy on **Monday** nights at
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Choir Rehearsal



Contemporary choir rehearses every
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Wednesday at 7pm in the church

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May 7	10AM	Cross Bridge Church	Playground Meet Up
May 20	7pm	Text Kasey for address	Just-for-Moms Night

Pope Leo's Prayer Intentions for May

Pray that everyone, from large
producers to small consumers,
commits to
avoiding food waste and ensuring
access to quality food for all.



Fourth Sunday of Easter

*The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside still waters;
He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths
For His Name's sake.*

*Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;
For you are with me;
Your rod and Your staff - they comfort me.*

*You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies, You anoint my head with oil;
My cup overflows.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life. And I shall dwell in the house of
the Lord My whole life long.*



Fourth Sunday of Easter Christ the Good Shepherd

The Fourth Sunday of Easter always celebrates Christ as the Good Shepherd. This year, our readings focus more on the sheep than on the shepherd. In spite of the comforting image of Christ as Shepherd, today's Scriptures indicate that hearing the voice of the Shepherd requires discernment, and that his followers can expect to receive the same treatment as he did.

Paul appeared as a foreign missionary who has left Jerusalem and the comforts of his home culture with its familiar, all-pervasive religious atmosphere. He was moving among his fellow Jews and their Gentile neighbors in Greek territory where one can find every variety of religious experience. The Jewish minority in that population had to be strong and stubborn to maintain their faith while surrounded by so many alternatives. They had every reason to be proud of their fidelity.

Then along comes Paul, retelling their sacred history to culminate in Jesus of Nazareth, presented as God's anointed one. Not only that, but Paul is offering his version of the faith to their pagan neighbors as if they could join equally with the chosen people in this new movement.

That had to be astounding to most of them, and to many it came off as downright heretical. Those latter people, staunchly faithful to their tradition, came to the conclusion that Paul was nothing more than an apostate Pharisee making the blasphemous claim that an executed criminal was the Messiah.

The Jews' rejection of the message left Paul deeply grieved. He was convinced that God had commissioned him to preach this Gospel to his own people and to the world. While some who rejected Paul may have been caught up in trying to preserve their status or privilege, others were undoubtedly sincere, striving to remain faithful to their tradition. Whether for motives of self-interest or conscience, they agreed to persecute and deport Paul and Barnabas.

So far, this story demonstrates that belonging to Christ, following the Good Shepherd, will often bring persecution and cause confusion. The Jews who heard Paul faced a difficult dilemma: How could they discern if the new teaching they were hearing was of God? Unfortunately, Luke doesn't tell us what motivated people to reject Paul's message. Paul had carefully explained Jesus' life and mission in terms his fellow Jews would understand.

He began by urging them to "remain faithful to the grace of God" and went on to remind them that God had always been active in their history, not just for their sake, but so that they could be a light to the Gentiles. The memory of Abraham and Moses and the prophets had every possibility of helping them see that Jesus fit and fulfilled the pattern of God's messengers. But some part of Paul's message was too much for them, just as Jesus' message had been too much for some of his Israelite contemporaries.

For the Jews who rejected Paul, it may have seemed easier to reject a new insight than to discern whether it was of God. In order to allow our religious convictions to grow, we must be convinced that God is bigger than our theology or spirituality.

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The Good Shepherd

Fourth Sunday of Easter

1 Peter 2:20b-25

Doing Good, Feeling Good

Doing the right thing does not always feel good. You might take a stand for what you believe. Or you go out of your way to assist someone in need. But even in these circumstances, something can still go wrong. Others do not appreciate your sacrifice. You suffer ridicule. You experience loss. You know it is right to do good, but unfairly you do not always feel good.

The First Letter of Peter says, "If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called."

The good we do is already a sign of our progress in the spiritual life, even if it does not feel that way. In the past, we may have avoided what is good if it seemed to threaten peace. We might have kept quiet about injustice in the workplace, the offenses of a neighbor, or the inappropriateness of derisive humor. Our silence gave consent. We were like sheep going astray.

But in Christ we know better. We do what is right even if it is unpopular. We speak up for the oppressed. We take time to defend human rights. We act with boldness we did not know before. We obtain this strength for doing good from the Shepherd of sheep, who guides and protects the flock.

Faith in Christ brings comfort and courage. It makes us feel loved, confident, and strong to suffer for doing what is good, even when it is unpopular.

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A Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

May The Month of Mary

The month of May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of Easter, which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored).

The world is resplendent with Spring's increased light and new growth. It is Mary's month in the Easter season and all of nature rejoices with the Queen of heaven at the Resurrection of the Son she was worthy to bear. During the remainder of Easter time, let us endeavor through the prayers of the Holy Liturgy and the Holy Rosary to deepen our gratitude for the mystery of our Baptismal rebirth in Christ.

"The month of May, with its profusion of blooms was adopted by the Church in the eighteenth century as a celebration of the flowering of Mary's maidenly spirituality. With its origins in Isaiah's prophecy of the Virgin birth of the Messiah under the figure of the Blossoming Rod or Root of Jesse, the flower symbolism of Mary was extended by the Church Fathers, and in the liturgy, by applying to her the flower figures of the Sapiential Books—Canticles, Wisdom, Proverbs and Sirach. themselves, of the fields, waysides and gardens, came to be seen as symbols of Mary..." — John S. Stokes



Who is she that cometh forth as the morning rising, fair as the moon, bright as the sun?

The first week in May we will begin the Pentecost Novena. Pentecost, the birth of the Church, is also among the celebrations of May. Though sprung from the side of Christ on the Cross, the Church marks as her birthday the descent of the Holy Spirit on Mary and the Apostles. At the 'birth' of the world, the Holy Spirit — the Breath of God — was the "mighty wind [that] swept over the waters" (Gen 1:2); at the birth of the Church He is present again "like the rush of a mighty wind" to recreate the world in the image of Christ through His Church (Acts 2:2).



We, the members of Christ's Mystical Body, are the present-day disciples sent by the Holy Spirit to bring Christ to the world. May we go forth as did Mary, who set out in haste to assist St. Elizabeth (feast of the Visitation, May 31). Come upon us, O Holy Spirit, so that, with Mary, we may proclaim the greatness of the Lord who has done great things for us — for his mercy endures forever.

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