



I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead... and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

JOHN 10:16

Living with Our Instincts

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We live with a maze of instincts—some from the dark side and some from the light. In her book *Caste*, Isabel Wilkerson describes how cultures tend to consign certain individuals to the bottom of the social ladder. She specifically compares the caste system in India with how the Nazis sought to suppress and eliminate Jews and with the way blacks were oppressed by slavery and even in our own time. She describes the instinct in every society to relegate others to a lower class, always seeking to ensure that we are not at the bottom. This instinct can come from the dark side of people.

There is also an instinct for goodness to others, an instinct of light—to recognize everyone as brothers and sisters. As Saint John notes, “we are God’s children now”

(1 John 3:2). It is the voice of the Shepherd instilled in the human spirit that calls us into one fold, the voice of God urging us to healing goodness.

It is the dark side that nurtures white supremacy. It is the light that enables us to see beyond the color of our skin. It is the dark side that excludes those who seem different. It is the light that welcomes and offers hospitality. It is the dark side that succumbs to fear. It is the light of God’s love that confronts the wolves of hate and urges us to follow. There is always tension between darkness and light. ●

Reflect

How does the voice of the Good Shepherd call you to reject the dark and embrace the light?



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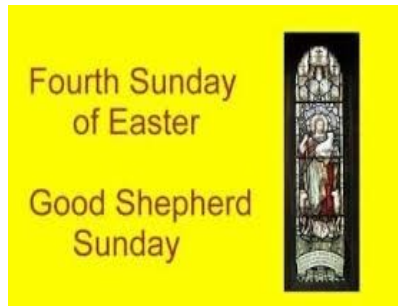
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Baptisms: By appointment – 5 weeks in advance

Weddings: By appointment – 1 year in advance. Pre-Marriage Course is required for all weddings here or overseas

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DATES	TIMES	INTENTIONS FOR
Sat. April 20th	6:30pm	+ Jeffrey Mark Medeiros & Joao Veloso
Sun. April 21st (Portuguese)	8:30am	+ Josephine Iannacci
	10:00am	+ Manuel Medeiros, Maria de Jesus Andrade, Virginia de Lima, Padre Julio, Joao Carlos Frias, Normenia Teixeira, Altino Tavares, Cristiano Pereira, & Nelia Costa
	11:30 am	+ Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Arminda Garrafa & Victor Moniz
	6:00 pm	Healing Prayers for Priyashadani Silva
Mon. APR 22nd	7:30am	+ Efigenia Reynaldo
Tues. APR 23rd	7:30am	+ Hedwig Doll-Armbruster
Wed. APR 24th	7:30am	+ Fr. Julio Blazejewski CR
	12:10pm	Birthday wishes for Arlene Ciasico
Thurs APR 25th	7:30am	+ In Honor of Our Lady of Medjugorje
	12:10pm	Birthday wishes for Georg Scott
Fri. APR 26th	7:30am	+ Roy Thomas
	12:10pm	+ Belated birthday wishes for Fr. John Lesousky CR
Sat. APR 27th	6:30pm	Birthday wishes for Madi DeSilva
Sun. APR 28th (Portuguese)	8:30am	+ Mr. & Mrs. Charles Soares & James Soares
	10:00am	+ Arnold De La Cruz Francisco
	11:30am	+ St. Theresa's Parish Family
	6:00pm	

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE: April 27th & 28th, 2024

Time:	6:30pm	8:30am	11:30am	6:00pm
Proclaimer:	J. Judd	B. D. Knights	A. Cannonier	Volunteer needed
Communion	A. Machado	G. Lovecchio	J. Alcantara	Volunteers
Ministers:	P. Whitecross	O. Scarth	Volunteer needed	Needed
Song Leaders:	K. Judd	M. R. Mathias	D. Mutch	S. Marine

SUNDAY & SPECIAL OFFERINGS WITH ONLINE BANKING & PARISH ENVELOPES Please make direct payments to St. Theresa's Cathedral at Bank of Butterfield A/C #20006060-482732100 and include "Sunday Offering" in the memo field. Also, the parish encourages the use of Sunday Offering Envelopes to promote the concept of stewardship of treasure. Thank you for your continued support in remembering the needs of the Cathedral.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY HEAD & TOE DRIVE:

Be the sunshine in someone's life by donating new or clean men and/or women **SUN HATS/ CAPS AND SOCKS** to the St. Vincent De Paul Head & Toe Drive.

Your generosity will make a significant difference in the lives of those who receive these much needed items!

At the back of your parish church will be a box/container for you to deposit your generous donations.

The cut off date to donate these items will be May 12th. These will be given to the clients that attend Loaves & Fishes on **May 19th** just in time for the May 24th holiday!


"Your kindness can make a world of difference."



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT :

To be good stewards we must be good shepherds, willing to lay down our lives for those committed to our care, not mere hired hands who run off, "leaving the sheep to be snatched and scattered by the wolf."

Steward's Sharing of Treasure		
	Date	Actual
Collection:	Apr. 13th/14th	\$3,965.00
Electronic offering:	April 13th/14th	\$1,590.00
Filipino Mass offering:	April 5th	\$539.00
To Date:	Week 16	\$116,530.00



ST. THERESA'S CHAPEL
April 21st –27th , 2024
Donation Given for
Two 7-Day Votive Candles And 2 Roses
Intentions of Grace Lovecchio

HOLY IMPORTANT DATE:



Please be aware that on **Sunday, 28th of April**, during the **11:30am Mass**, six children of our Parish will receive their **First Holy Communion**.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

As Bishop Wes will be away attending the Annual Plenary Meeting of the Antilles Episcopal Conference, there will be **NO** Portuguese Masses at St. Theresa's on **April 20th**.

The Portuguese Mass on Sunday, April 21st, will be a "hybrid" English-Portuguese Mass.



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH BINGO!

Sunday, April 28th, 2024 3-5PM

Tickets will be on sale after weekend masses from St. Patrick's Parish Council Members.

Desserts, Tea & Coffee will be served.

Soda and water will be available for sale.

\$5.00 per ticket (includes ONE Bingo Card)



Congratulations to **Eli Lima-Brown**, son of Kimberly Lima & Jacinto Brown who is being baptized this Sunday, April 21st, 2024.

THE BISHOP'S CORNER



Dear Fellow-Catholics,

The results of an international survey on youth, values and religion were presented, promoted by the Footprints Research Group, Young People: Expectations, Ideals, Beliefs at the University of the Holy Cross in Rome, together with seven other universities around the world, with the support of the Spanish agency GAD3. The survey took place in eight countries: Argentina, Brazil, Italy, Kenya, Mexico, the Philippines, Spain and the United Kingdom. The sample consisted of 4,889 young people between the ages of 18 and 29. Among the most relevant findings is the increase of the interest in spirituality among young people worldwide. Other relevant data of the report:

1. On faith and the spiritual life of young people:

This increase in spirituality is strongly registered in countries such as Kenya, the Philippines and Brazil, where between 82% and 92% of young people identify themselves as "believers." Looking at nations in the midst of secularization, such as Spain and Italy, a deep conviction of faith emerges among respondents. Sixty per cent of young Spanish and Italian Catholics consider attending Mass as fundamental as receiving the Eucharist. There are countries that are in an "intermediate" position in terms of the manifestation of faith by young people: Mexico (71%) and Argentina (51%). There is a large percentage of women believers in countries like Kenya (93%), the Philippines (83%) and Brazil (81%), and in general the number of Catholic women is also higher globally (52%). Regarding the view on the Church, most young believers consider it an institution that contributes to the good of society (76%).

2. On social problems:

An important segment of the sample denounces political corruption (94% among believers, 85% non-believers) and problems related to ecology (93% among believers, 85% non-believers). The death penalty and the justification of war meet with equal opposition among Catholics and members of other religions and atheists. There is also great convergence in opposing the legalization of prostitution (70%).

3. On young atheists:

Among those in the sample who identify themselves as "atheists", however, an interest in life after death and a proper understanding of suffering emerges. Also, despite the fact that 70% of young people profess to be non-believers, they declare that they consider prayer to be an important aspect of their lives.

May your weekend be serene, and your week blessed

Bishop Wes

Dear Padre,

My son was raised Catholic and still claims he is Catholic, but he and his wife go to a Protestant church. How should I deal with my frustration?

Many parents and grandparents today share your frustration. They raised their children Catholic, maybe even sent them to Catholic schools, but the children have grown up and chosen not to continue to be faithful Catholics. A recent survey showed that nine out of ten people say they believe in God, but often they are not committed to a single religion or house of worship. About

half of the people questioned attend religious services less than once a month, or never. The loyalty to one Church that was evident in our own lives, or in our parents' and grandparents' lives, is lacking in today's people under age fifty-five.

What can one do about this situation? Certainly pray for your children and continue to give a good example through your own loyalty to the Catholic Church and attendance at Sunday Mass. Invite your son and his wife to attend with you when they visit. As your children age, they may become more interested in your family's history and traditions, and the religion of their childhood may again appear attractive. Try to be patient and continue to pray that your children will return to the Church of their roots. ●



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28
<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>St. Mark,</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Fifth Sunday</i>
Acts 11:1-18	Acts 11:19-26	Acts 12:24-	<i>Evangelist</i>	Acts 13:26-33	Acts 13:44-52	<i>of Easter</i>
Jn 10:1-10	Jn 10:22-30	13:5a	1 Pt 5:5b-14	Jn 14:1-6	Jn 14:7-14	Acts 9:26-31
		Jn 12:44-50	Mk 16:15-20			1 Jn 3:18-24
						Jn 15:1-8



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Christ's love is not selective; it embraces everyone.... He is everyone's shepherd. Jesus wants everyone to be able to receive the Father's love and encounter God....The Father entrusts everyone to Jesus the Good Shepherd, who gave his life for everyone. Brothers and sisters, Jesus defends, knows and loves all of us.

REGINA CAELI, ROME, APRIL 25, 2021

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