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Our Shepherd

God the Father, you are our shepherd, who offer us green pastures, and life-giving water. Through love and kindness, you lead your flock to a restful place. With your tender touch, you cast away our fears. There is nothing we want but to remain by your side. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Sunday, April 21, 2024 The Good Shepherd

Today's readings: Acts 4:8–12; Psalm 118:1, 8–9, 21–23, 26, 28, 29; 1 John 3:1–2; John 10:11–18. When you see the Good Shepherd depicted in art, do you see yourself as the lamb? Do you see yourself as one to be protected, guided, and comforted? Or do you think the lamb reflects only a child? Imagining yourself as the lamb will provide insight into who God is for you. "I am the Good Shepherd, and I know mine, and mine know me," Jesus says. This portrayal reveals the intimacy of our relationship with God. God knows us and has given us the capacity to know him.

The shepherd is willing to lay down his life for his sheep. The Good Shepherd has already done this for us, dying on the cross so that we may have eternal life. A hired hand, however, does not have this connection to the sheep; he would not sacrifice his life for the flock. This man "sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away."

Our Shepherd is with us—in our loneliness and sorrow as well as in our joy. Spend a few minutes in quiet, imagining yourself with the Good Shepherd in a green pasture. Let him hear not only your voice but your deepest desires. Seek to expand your quiet prayer time this week so that you might hear the Good Shepherd's voice. Remember your relationship with the Good Shepherd grows as you make space for him in your life.

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Barbara Chapel Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday: 8 a.m.
St. Barbara Church Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 6 a.m./9:30 a.m.
Indonesian: 2nd Sunday: 11:30 a.m.
DEVOTIONS
First Saturday Healing Mass
St. Barbara Chapel: 8 a.m.
The Rosary
Sunday 5:30 a.m. Before 6 a.m. Mass

St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 8 a.m. Sunday: 8 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Cantonese: 1st Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Mandarin: 2nd Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (TBA) 4th Sunday: 12:30 p.m.

DEVOTIONS

Mondays with Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity:

4-5 p.m. Rosary and 5-6 p.m. Holy Hour First Friday Holy Hour: After the 8 a.m. Mass

April 21, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter



St. Barbara Worship Site

Saturday, April 20th | Vigil Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 5:00 p.m. God's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven by Kisielente Family
 - + Cita Orendain by Pam & Dan Spano
 - + Marie De Phillips by A. Briglio
 - + Jan Kutansky by B. Glabicki
 - + Sylvia Ma'ayteh by Jing Zhang

Sunday, April 21st | Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 6:00 a.m. Health Blessings: Josephine Laco by Laco Family
 - + Antonette "Cutie", Jackie, John & Joseph Galati by Mark Freeman
 - + Bernadette Noonan by George Tadin
 - + Francis Sabbia by George Tadin
 - + David Moore by St. Barbara Holy Name Society
 - + Debbie Annoreno by Janet Ropke
 - + Deceased Members of Rodi Family by Janet Ropke
 - + Katherine Mesa Ramburg by Janet Ropke
- 9:30 a.m. Health Blessing: Wilfredo Cruz by Cruz Family
 - + Therese Ryndak by Pulaski Saving Bank
 - + Teresita Holcomb by King Family

Tuesday, April 23rd | Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 a.m. Blessings for Benefactors and Parishioners

Thursday, April 25th | Saint Mark, Evangelist

- 8:00a.m + Anniversary, Sonny & Rita Spalla by Children & Theresa Spalla & Family
 - + Evelyn Dzimek by B. Glabicki

Saturday, April 27th | Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Angela Obal by B. Glabicki

Saturday, April 27th | Vigil Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 5:00 p.m. God's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven by Kisielente Family
 - + Suzanne Jackowiak by Elizabeth Wojcik

Sunday, April 28th | Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 6:00 a.m. Health Blessings: Josephine Laco by Laco Family Birthday Blessings: Bernadette Imelda Bertucci (2 yrs. old) by Papa & Busia Bertucci Jim & Christine Bertucci (35th Anniversary) by Jim & Christine Bertucci
 - + Antonette "Cutie", Jackie, John & Joseph Galati by Mark Freeman
 - + Frances Sabbia by Jim & Christine Bertucci
 - + Bernadette Noonan by Jim & Christine Bertucci
 - + Debbie Annoreno by Janet Ropke
 - + Deceased Members of Rodi Family by Janet Ropke
- 9:30 a.m. Health Blessings: Wilfredo Cruz by Cruz Family
 - + Teresita Holcomb by King Family
 - + Mary Diaz DeLeon by Family
 - + Augie Salamone by Jim & Christine Bertucci

St. Therese Worship Site

Sunday, April 21st | Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 a.m. + Frank Scuito by Gene & Teresa Lee
 - + Farlen Lee by Darlene & Chris
 - + Cita Orendain by Wendy Sin & Pat Culen
- 10:30 a.m. Health Blessings for GuoXin Jian by Jean Wu Special Intention by Darlene
 - + Richard Young by Lonnie & Phil Lee
 - + Cita Orendain by Darlene & Chris
 - + Karl Schroeder by Darlene & Chris
 - + Debbie Annoreno by Darlene & Chris
 - + Chong Wey & Chin Shee Lee by Patti Lee
 - + Dewi Chandra by Wendy Sin & Pat Culen
 - + Kevin McDevitt, Jr. by Jennifer Sin & Jacob Mellor
 - + John Esparza by Roberta Cheong

Monday, April 22nd | Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Frank Scuito by A. Briglio

Wednesday, April 24th | Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

8:00 a.m. + All souls of Barbaro and Bertucci Families by Dominic Barbaro

Friday, April 26th | Easter Weekday

8:00a.m. Special Intention by Darlene

Prayer Intention:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Sylvia Ma'ayteh.** May she rest in peace!

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."

~St. Mother Teresa

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

St. Barbara—Saturday, April 27th:

5p.m. Lectors: E. Kroner, W. Podrazik Eucharistic Minister: E. Raya

Sunday, April 28th:

6a.m. Lector: J. Bertucci

- Eucharistic Minister: C. Whitehouse
- 9:30 a.m. Lectors: A. Alonzo, III, H. Alonzo Eucharistic Minister: J. Lukwinski

St. Therese –

- Sunday, April 28th:
- 8:00a.m Greeters: N. Lowe, J. Lowe Lectors: Aireen St. Michael Ministry:

10:30a.m Greeters: C. Lee, J. Yee, D. Lowe Lectors: JJ, Vivian

Eucharistic Ministers: John (Altar) Sheila (Choir) St. Michael Ministry: Earl



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, April 22 In Silence

"The sheep follow him because they recognize his voice." The Gospel of John portrays the Lord as intimately connected to his followers. They know his voice, and he has come so that "they might have life and have it more abundantly." Only by pausing our busy lives can we hear God's voice. Consider where you might have even a few minutes in a day to listen to God. *Today's readings: Acts 11:1–18; Psalm 42:2–3; 43:3, 4; John 10:1–10.*

Tuesday, April 23 Listen

In today's Gospel, we hear that people continue to badger Jesus to prove he is indeed the Son of God. "How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly," they say. These people are among those who do not recognize the shepherd's voice. Once the sheep are in the flock, Jesus says, "No one can take them [sheep] out of the Father's hands. The Father and I are one." In coming chapters of the Gospel of John, we will hear Jesus yearn for that same unity with humankind. *Today's readings: Acts 11:19–26; Psalm 87:1b–3, 4–5, 6–7; John 10:22–30.*

Wednesday, April 24 Obeying the Spirit

Today's account from Acts shows Barnabas and Saul sailing to Cyprus to spread the Good News. They wasted no time in responding to the Holy Spirit, who told the community, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." How does your community help people discern their gifts and their mission in the Church? Is there anyone you can meet with in your parish to help you discern your calling to serve the Church and the world? *Today's readings: Acts* 12:24–13:5a; *Psalm* 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; *John* 12:44–50.

Thursday, April 25 Feast of St. Mark

On the Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist, we hear in the Gospel, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature." St. Mark is believed to be the disciple referred to in Acts as "John who is called Mark" (12:25). He was the son of Mary of Jerusalem, who opened her home to the disciples. It is believed that he met Peter, Paul, and other disciples in his mother's home and then joined them in evangelizing. *Today's readings: 1 Peter 5:5b–14; Psalm 89:2–3, 6–7, 16–17; Mark 16:15–20.*

Friday, April 26 Always Loving

With Thomas voicing confusion, Jesus lovingly replies, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Thomas had followed Jesus for years and still questioned where the Lord was leading the disciples. Believers live with questions. Whether your faith is new or lifelong, you may at times be unsure of the spiritual path you are to follow. Jesus offers assurance that he is not only the way but the truth and the life. *Today's readings: Acts* 13:26–33; *Psalm* 2:6–7, 8–9, 10–11ab; John 14:1–6.

Saturday, April 27 In Silence

"Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us," Philip tells Jesus. There is a Philip in all of us, looking for reassurance of the presence of God in our lives. Sometimes we ask God for a sign to calm our fears. Jesus directs Philip and us to look not only to his words but his works. Where do you see the work of God in your community? Is there someone who needs reassurance that God is present during struggles? *Today's readings: Acts 13:44–52; Psalm 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4; John 14:7–14.*



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Grand Total as of 4/15/2024: \$32,232

SCHOOL NEWS



Last week, Big Shoulders Fund and St. Nicholas of Tolentine students visited St. Therese. Our students showcased their dragon, drum, and contemporary dances, and gave our visitors a quick lesson as well! We had a great morning of

fellowship with our Catholic school partners.



RESPECT LIFE

A Good and Perfect Gift - We are created to be in relationship with other persons, and first with those at home. Pope Saint John Paul II said, "Within the family each member is accepted, respected and honored ...; and if any family is in greater need, the care which he or she receives is all the more intense and attentive" (Evangelium vitae). Not knowing the beauty of parenting, people may say, "I could never handle a child with a disability." The truth is that you are given your child with a disability, not a child with a disability, and you are not called to "handle" a disability! You are called to love a particular person, and caring for him or her grows out of that love. Say, watching two parents at a restaurant hand-feeding to their Down syndrome boy a slice of pizza and wiping his face with a napkin, you may hear the couple say, "It might look a little crazy from the outside, but this is an amazing little boy, and it's a good life." Truly, it is like looking at a stained-glass window from the outside: the colors look dark. From the inside, however, with the sun shining through it, the effect can be brilliant: love illuminates the life of this family with the child. What may seem dreary, or even unbearable to others, is actually filled with beauty and color. The amazed parents may even be proud of the child's valiant efforts in gaining basic feeding skills that most people take for granted. Indeed, unlike the secular culture, God calls us to seek perfection not in appearance or abilities, but in love. Sacrificial love gives us more patience, more compassion, and more love for othersespecially those on the outskirts of society. Solely on the fact that we are created in the image and likeness of God and loved by Him, all our lives are worth living. (A Perfect Gift | Respect Life). Every Suicide is Tragic – "Proponents of doctor-assisted suicide try to draw a sharp distinction between those with a mental illness who want to end their lives and those with a terminal illness who express the same wish. They even insist we should not call the latter 'suicide,' contrary to the plain meaning of the word. This is a tragically false distinction with far-reaching consequences." We don't discourage suicide by assisting

suicide. Actually doctor-assisted suicide abandons vulnerable individuals. It enables and escalates suicide. Legalizing doctor-assisted suicide wrongly communicates that some lives are not worth living. You can read all the arguments about this topic on-line in the article *Every Suicide is Tragic*, <u>Every Suicide is Tragic | USCCB</u>.

Quote – "Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they inaccurately believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'" — USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Every Suicide is Tragic".

Our Prayer – For those tempted to end their lives: That through the grace of the Resurrection, Christ will fill them with hope, belief in his love, and the assurance that their lives are worth living; *We pray to the Lord:*





Mondays with the Sisters of the Missionary of Charity: 4pm-5pm Street Rosary and 5pm-6pm Adoration at St. Therese Church. All are welcome. Good Shepherd Catechism for children 3 to 7 years takes place on Sundays at 10:30am at St. Therese.

Apr. 20---5pm mass followed by English Alpha at 6pm at St. Mother Teresa Hall

Apr. 21---10:30am Family Mass & Baby Ministry "Kick-Off" Sunday

Apr. 22---6:30pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is rescheduled to <u>Monday April 29th</u>. It will be a combined meeting with Liturgy Committee at 6:30pm at St. Mother Teresa Hall.

Apr. 23---8am St. Barbara Campus Mass in Church **Apr. 28**---12:30pm Mandarin Mass followed by Luncheon, Adoration and Benediction

HOLY NAME NEWS



Elvis night is close, Friday, June 14th. Tickets on sale soon, \$30 for a couple; \$20 single ticket. This s an outdoor event— Barbeque with your choice of a burger, hot dog or Italian sausage with a

bag of chips and a soda or bottle of water. There will also be an open bar which will be open during the show. \$3 for beer or wine; \$1 for a can of soda or bottle of water. Doors open at 5:30pm, food served at 6 to 7 at which time the show starts. Please support the Holy Name by coming out and enjoying the night.

100 Club winners for April are: 1st Eric V., 2nd Jane - 6am, 3rd Mr. & Mrs. Roberto Garibay, 4th Eric V., 5th Laura Cruz. Queen of Hearts had no winner and the pot has grown to \$4095. Next drawing is in 2 weeks. Tickets for any activity can be purchased from Holy Name members or in the back of church at St. Barbara site.

All men age 18 and up welcome to our next meeting May 10th at 7pm in the mobile unit at St. Barbara's north parking lot. Come out enjoy the company of other like-minded men and enjoy a delicious meal prepared by our own chef Jeff! Thank you all for your support!

Wedding Banns:

Joanna Lo & Raymond Lin

THE PRIESTHOOD VOCATION By Fr. John Cuff

At the Last Supper Christ instituted two Sacraments: The Holy Eucharist and the Holy Orders. Today, Vocation Sunday, it's apropos to more deeply reflect upon the mystery of the Priesthood.

A minister and a priest were once being interviewed on a Christian radio call-in station, and one caller asked the difference between a minister and a priest. In the minister's reply, he suggested that, apart from the obvious issue of celibacy, priests and ministers were basically the same. "We both preach, conduct worship, wear a collar, run a parish, etc. So I guess it's basically a question of terminology; there's really not that much difference between us, wouldn't you agree, Father?"

The priest answered the question by asking him one: "What do you claim you can do that an ordinary Christian does not have the power to do?" "Why, nothing; I've no additional power above any other Christian," said the minister. "Well then, I'd say there is a big difference between us. We priests claim that we have the power to change bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood, and also to absolve sins. Now If these claims are true, and we Catholics believe they are, well then, I'd say there's a major difference between us." The minister had to concede that.

"Moreover," the priest went on, "we believe priests not only have power to forgive sins but to take them away as if they never existed. Say a man commits adultery. His wife may forgive him, but he's still an adulterer, a forgiven adulterer. A teenager steals from a store. The manager forgives him, but he is still a thief, a forgiven thief. A young girl lies to her mother. Though her mother forgives her, the child is still a liar, a forgiven liar. But if those sins could be taken away, then the adulterer would no longer be an adulterer, the thief no longer a thief, the liar no longer a liar; he or she would be restored to innocence." The priest continued, "We claim Jesus gave this power to the apostles when He breathed on them and gave them the Holy Spirit---power handed down through "apostolic succession" from Jesus through the apostles, to bishops and priests today, all of which makes the Priesthood unique." "Hmm," said the minister, "I never thought of it that way. Then there is guite a difference between us; Father, I'd like to hear more on this." Surely, on Vocation Sunday, we all need to better appreciate the Priesthood.

WEEKLY COLLECTION—APRIL 14, 2024

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		YTD		Weekly		YTD	Weekly
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Please pray for those who are ill, homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers.

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***Please review the above Prayer List to identify if there is a name that should be removed OR inform us if there is someone that needs to be added. Please call the rectory to make changes. Thank YOU!

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Communion Calls: Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death. **Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m. at St. Barbara Church or by appointment.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

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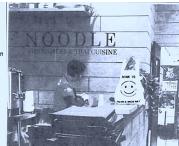


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Open the hearts of Your children that they may discern Your Holy Will; inspire in them a love and desire to surrender themselves to serving others in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ.

Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life guided by Your Divine Word and Truth. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, and Saints, humbly hear our prayers and grant Your Church's needs, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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