

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Dear Parishioners,

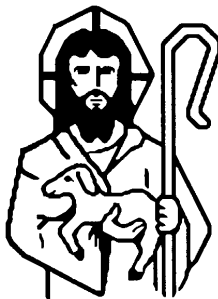
In order to appreciate fully today's gospel passage, we need to pay close attention to the context. Earlier Jesus had called himself the good shepherd and then defined a good shepherd as one who loves his sheep and is prepared to die for them. Sheep herding, contrary to some popular conceptions, is a hard and lonely life, but the true shepherd loves his work and gladly accepts many sacrifices in order to keep his flock safe and sound.

When Jesus says, therefore, that "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me," he is assuming that the sheep already know how completely he has earned their trust. The sheep hear his distinctive call and follow him, not just because he is an authority figure in their lives, but because he has been such a good shepherd to them. This example is, of course, only a metaphor for us who belong to the spiritual flock of Jesus. We are assumed to have experienced his love and to know him so well that we implicitly trust his message as well as his promise of eternal life.

To belong to the spiritual flock of Jesus is to hear his voice. This means much more than simply reading or hearing about him. Such information is always helpful, but the decisive moment comes when we go beyond external testimony and begin to discover Jesus at the center of our lives in a profoundly intuitive and trusting manner.

In our case, this is a spiritual bond that can be stronger than death. As Jesus tells us, nothing and no one can "take them out of my hand." The only precondition on our part is that we continue to trust the "way of Jesus," which means that we use our freedom and strength to be a loving, caring presence in our world. We can do this most effectively in the context of a supportive community and with the nourishment of the Eucharist.

Peace,
S. Angela



Today we celebrate with some of our young people as they receive Eucharist with us for the first time. Let us rejoice with them and their families and be an example and support for them by reverently coming to the Lord's Table.



Thanks and Good Luck

Today is the last Sunday that Fr. Pat will be with us. We want to thank him very much for his presence with us over the past 4 months. He has been a true gift to the CHA Community and we wish him the best in all he does in his ministry!

We also bid farewell to Deacon Matt Strickenberger today. We thank him for his presence in our Community this year and wish him the best in his future as a priest in the Diocese of Erie!

Isaac and Chris will be with us one more week --- we'll bid them farewell and thanks next Sunday!

THANKS

Faithful Disciples Scholarship

Each year, our parish sponsors the "Faithful Disciples Scholarship." Scholarships with a combined total of \$2,000 are awarded annually (\$500 individual award maximum) for use for the following: Catholic tuition (elementary school, high school or college), or fees for attendance at Catholic camps, World Youth Day, retreats or other Catholic formation programs.

Scholarships are awarded to those who will be in 6th grade or older and demonstrate a good understanding of our Catholic faith and put that faith into action through service to school, parish, campus ministry, and/or the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Awards are made by June 15 directly to the Catholic organization in the students' names for the awarded purpose. Applications will be accepted through May 25th and are available at the Parish Office.

Dates to Remember

This Tuesday, **April 27**, is the Consultation Meeting with a representative from the Clergy Personnel Office. This meeting takes place so that we can give input about Church of the Holy Apostles that will assist in the appointment of a new Pastor. All are invited to the General Parish Meeting at 7:00 in Marian Hall.

Next Sunday, **May 2**, Bishop Rozanski will be with us to preside at both the 9:00 and 10:45 Masses. The First Communion children will lead us in our annual May Crowning. For the remaining Sundays in May, all are invited to bring flowers for our Mary shrine.

Council for Stewardship and Development

Weekly Sacrificial Giving for: April 18, 2010

Envelopes	\$ 2,858.00
Loose	982.00
Community Development Fund	668.50
Bread & Wine	<u>40.00</u>
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$ 4,548.50</u>

Mass Attendance

9:00 a.m.	265
10:45 a.m.	360

Second/Special Collection Cycle

April 25	Hospitality
May 2	Outreach
May 9	Seminarians

Council for Liturgy and Worship

Scripture Readings for May 2

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27
Ps 145:8-13
Rv 21:1-5a
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

Upcoming Baptisms:

May 23:

10:45 a.m. **The Ayers Family**
 The Reavey Family

Families who seek to present a child for baptism are encouraged to arrange for baptism preparation prior to the birth of their baby. Please call Annette Mulry at the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

April 18

9:00 a.m. **Missa pro populo**
10:45 a.m. **For the repose of Eunice Juracic**
 Requested by Ellen Cunningham

April 25

9:00 a.m. **Missa pro populo**
10:45 a.m. **For the repose of Rosemary Laurence**
 Requested by Ellen Cunningham

Ministry Schedule – May 2

Bill Squicciarini/Tom Monaghan
SC: Steve Shamblen Env: 3

9:00 - AS: S. Joyce, A. Chervenak, E. Thibeault
CLoW: D. Smith, M. Squicciarini, K. Joyce
EM (cup): J. Brozena, M. Furth, A. McKay,
D. Roling, J. Igoe, T. McKernan, P. Pareja, D. Dwyer
EM (host): Sr. Angela, R. Turk, Bishop Rozanski,
P. Robuck, Deacon Keith, A. Caufield
CW/GI/RD: T. Raspi, M. Vaccaro, M. Roling
U: T. Chervenak, B. RaVell, S. Furth, P. Casamento,
J. Rykiel, G. Kenney, R. Kenney
MM: Deo Gloria/Robin Sexton

10:45 - AS: J. Lerch, C. Schene, AJ Weyant
CLoW: K. Niesz, M. Mahr, M. Niesz
EM (cup): S. McGraw, D. Pappas, M. Ritzel,
M. Shamblen, C. Irwin, D. Schafer, M. Barciniak,
C. Frey
EM (host): Sr. Angela, G. Lerch, Bishop Rozanski,
A. Quade, Deacon Keith, J. Rehanek
CW/GI/RD: A. Schene, C. Dinsmore, K. Montemorra
U: B. Glenn, D. Kehoe, F. Kehoe, M. Nash, P. Leach,
C. Hodges, R. Shapard
MM: Marley Niesz

Prayer Associates of the Holy Apostles

The following persons have asked to be remembered in your prayers: John Doody, Truman Miller, Sean Lau, Sam Moschella, Suzi Dixon, Gerry Scallan, Barbara Ann Desmond, Charmain Atkenson, Ron Lawrence, Joseph Marinucci, Ron Kyle, Bonnie Kyle, Patti Speranzella, Tony Schadt, Walter Robuck, Stephanie McCormick, Charlene Miller, Michael DeMaio, Darby Steadman, Shelley Ensore, Ted Madey, Judy Fulton, Marie Ostiguy, Betsy Rekus, Eleanor Squicciarini, Bob Prestel, Marty Atkinson, Gail Schomer, Ken Dwyer, Helen Yorkgitis, Kirk Harness, Jenny Sass, Michael Andres Rivas, Tom Rekus, Marie DeFilippi, Ray Alexander, Maryde Breese, Patti Moyer, Matthew Sheehan, Patricia Jacobs, Wade McCoy, Mary Miller, Baby Mason Ryan Perez, Richard Elias, Judy Heid, Mimi Miller, Larry Murphy, David Widdoes, Bernie Crummie, Mary Lou Nelson.

Mother's Day

Do something special for Mom this year. Have her remembered during our Mother's Day Novena. Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet envelopes and Mother's Day Novena cards are on the information table in the lobby. The Mother's Day Novena Masses will be sent to the Seraphic Mission Society.

Council for Discipleship

K-8 Faith Formation

Lessons for April 28, 2010:

Sunday Readings:

Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5
John 13:31-35—The New Commandment

Related Text Lessons:

Grade K *Faith First* Chapter 21
Growing in Love Chapter 4
Grade 1 *Faith First* Chapter 6
Grade 2 *Faith First* Chapter 19
Growing in Love Chapter 3
Grade 3 *Faith First* Chapter 1
Grade 4 *Faith First* Chapter 17
Growing in Love Chapter 7
Grade 5 *Faith First* Chapters 22 & 23
Growing in Love Chapter 1
Grade 6 *Faith First* Chapter 20
Growing in Love Chapter 5
Grade 7-8 *Morality* Chapter 5

CHA Café Menu

April 28 — 6:30 p.m.- Social

May 5 — 6:30 p.m. - Planning for 2010 - 2011

*All are welcome! Childcare is available.
Come, enjoy food and conversation!*

SUMMER MADNESS ALERT

ATTENTION ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLERS – it's time to make those summer plans! Mark your calendar for **June 28-July 2**. Summer Madness is a chance to put your faith into action. Your morning will be spent helping those in need while the afternoon will be spent doing fun activities with other middle schoolers from Elizabeth Seton, St. Joe's, St. Bernadette's, and St. Andrew's by the Bay.

Friday we will head up to Hershey Park for the day! Summer Madness is for those CURRENTLY in middle school. The cost is \$160 which includes a t- shirt, all activities, and ticket/lunch/bus for Hershey Park. Registration forms are available in the parish office. All forms and payment MUST be turned in by Sunday, May 30th. Space is limited so don't delay! For more information, please contact Nancy Lerch at nlerch@holypostlesmd.org.



First Eucharist

*Congratulations to the following children
making their First Communion today:*

Griffin Anderson
Olivia Beissel
Emily Crescenzi
Caitlyn Freeman
Sydney Gilman
Paige Gonzalez
Jason Jones
Hunter Jones
Sydney Kuhn

Collin Marcian
Michael Mercer
Jimmy Mette
John Nash
Patrick Nolan
Tanner Piotrowski
Caitlyn Quade
Colby Raber
Grace Rattenbury

Jack Schmelzinger
Aleksey Serafini
Tara Strasser
Kelly Sullivan
John Szalankiewicz
Morgan Trumbull
Sam Von Hagen
Isabella Whittaker
Nathan Zyla

A special thank you to the catechists who helped prepare the children for their First Communion: Carolynn Abbott, Kathy Harrington, Sharee Honrath, Debbie Kehoe, Nancy Lerch, Liz Nash, Michele Roling, and Betsy Von Hagen.

Confirmation

We have a break during the month of April. Sessions resume in May. Spend some time thinking about a group service project the candidates can do together. All Sponsor Forms are due May 2nd.

Upcoming Preparation Sessions

05-16-10	Mass - Entrance Ritual	Candidates & Sponsors	9:00 AM	Marian Hall
05-16-10	Sponsor Orientation	Sponsors	10:15 AM	Science Room
05-16-10	Formation Session #1	Candidates	10:15 AM	Library
06-06-10	Formation Session #2	Candidates	10:15 AM	Library
06-13-10	Formation Session #3	Candidates	10:15 AM	Library
06-27-10	Formation Session #4	Candidates	10:15 AM	Library



HORIZONS

High School Ministry Upcoming Events

WED	04-28-10	Teen Café Series #3	6:30-7:45 PM	W107
SUN	05-02-10	ROCK THE PARK!	2:00-7:00 PM	SOTI
SAT	05-22-10	Hershey Park	8 AM – 10 PM	

Teen Café Series #3: Our last series is “Becoming a Peachmaker” lead by Deacon Keith Chase!

ROCK THE PARK WITH JOHN ANGOTTI: The biggest youth event attempted by the Anne Arundel Youth Ministers! Join your fellow high school teens from 12 area parishes for an afternoon of play and praise! The afternoon kicks off with field games, a 65’ long, inflatable obstacle course called “The Grinder” and warm-up band, “The Understudies.” At 4 PM in Marian Hall is a concert by national Christian recording artist John Angotti. The day ends with Mass outdoors on the field with John and the OLF Life Teen Band! Come play and praise with us! Tickets are only \$10. **LAST DAY TO PURCHASE PRE-SALE TICKETS!** See Michele Dougherty for tickets!



VBS Registration

Registration forms for this summer’s Vacation Bible School **June 21-25** are now available. Forms can be downloaded from the parish website under **Events** or can be found on the information table in the lobby.

Volunteers

More adult volunteers are needed! Adults who can volunteer all five days receive one FREE registration for their child. If you can’t help during the day, there is plenty of work to be done behind-the-scenes. If interested in helping, please contact Christie Thibeault at thethibeaults@yahoo.com or 410-551-2302. All volunteers must complete STAND training. and paperwork..

Gabriel Network Gala Make plans to join us Friday, April 30th for the Gabriel Network’s 4th Annual Benefit Gala premiere event at The Great Room at Historic Savage Mill. There will be live music, amazing food, silent auction and much, much more! This is a great opportunity to have some fun while raising money for pregnant women facing poverty and homelessness and introducing new people to the work of the Gabriel Network. General admission tickets: \$55. For further information check out www.projectgabriel.net

Project Rachel Vera Bradley/Longaberger Basket BINGO on June 12th, 2010 at 7PM (doors open at 6PM), at **St. Clement’s Church**, 1212 Chesaco Ave., Baltimore MD. *This event will help women and men who have suffered abortion trauma and need the financial support to participate on a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat.* Tickets are \$15.00 in advance, \$18.00 at the door. Ticket includes admission, door prizes, and 3 card strips for all 20 games. Special bingo games and raffle tickets will be available to purchase separately. For tickets, please call Kathy Parkerson at (410) 788-4961.



SCHOOL OF THE
INCARNATION

11th Annual Golf Tournament

Monday April 26, 2010
Information and brochures are
available through the school office.
410-519-2285

SOTI Encore Players Present:

Tumbleweeds

A wonderful musical satire
about the Old West!
Dates: April 30th and May 1st
7:00pm
\$5 a ticket
For tickets please call or email
Marianenewell@yahoo.com
443-370-5188

Destination Incarnation

Friday May 14th, 2010
Annual Fundraiser
“On the Boardwalk”
Tickets: \$75 each
Great food and entertainment
Silent and Live Auctions
For information visit
www.schooloftheincarnation.org
Click on the H.S.A. link

Box Tops for Education:

We are now collecting box
tops in order to support our parish
school, School of the
Incarnation.

