

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25, 2010 ~ Cycle C

From our pastor, Msgr. Cramblitt....

On Good Shepherd Sunday the Church has focused attention not only on Jesus, the Good Shepherd, but also on the great need for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The numbers of Catholics in our country is rapidly growing. More Catholics came into the Church this year at Easter than in any other year so far recorded! At the same time the numbers of priests and religious continues to decline. Surely the Lord still calls men and women to respond to the call to priesthood or the vowed religious life. What is needed is for us, the Church, to do our part.

- ~ Parents, clergy, teachers of religion and those in religious life need to encourage young men and women to hear and respond to God's call.
- ~ The entire Church needs to pray for vocations.
- ~ The bishops of the Church need to rebuild the confidence that was shaken by the abuse scandal.
- ~ The youth of the Church must be led closer to the heart of Christ through their own increasing ability to pray and through the invitation to enter into the life of the Church community.

Have you asked your child or grandchild if he/she is interested in a vocation to the religious life or to the priesthood? Would you support your son or daughter if they told you they were thinking of such a life? All of us have a part to play in the call to ministry. I hope you will do your part!

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National Arbor Day is this Friday. I am sorry that we lost eight big trees from our parish property this winter because of the snow storms. Some of these will be replaced later this spring. Arbor Day is an opportunity to remember that we Christians take the care of the environment seriously. Earth is God's creation. We cannot control volcanoes and earthquakes, but we can make sure that we do not litter the earth with trash and graffiti and that we cherish and use wisely the natural resources around us. Not to do so would not only be foolish but would not be in accord with the gift of the universe as a gift from our Creator-God. There is much argument over what is wise environmental policy, but one thing is clear for us believers: we believe all that exists is from the hand of God. We believe that what God has made is good. And we believe we must be good stewards of this gift of God.

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I leave for Lourdes this week. I will pray for everyone in our community at the Shrine of Our Lady. If you Google "Lourdes TV" you will be able to see a live stream of the grotto and the pilgrims who are there.

Join Us In Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

FAMILY LITURGY, MAY 2, 9AM: Join us for our Family Liturgy next Sunday at the 9AM Mass.

Sat, April 24	5:00 p.m.	For the People of SSH
Sun, April 25	730 a.m.	+Alice Mlyarski
	11:30 a.m.	+Joseph and Hilda Miller

PRESIDER SCHEDULE ~ MAY 1 - 2

5:00 PM	Father Charles Borges, SJ
7:30 AM	Father Thomas Malia
9:00 AM	Father Thomas Malia
11:30 AM	Father Thomas Malia

ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS: Altar flowers this weekend have been donated by Maura and Patrick Marquez on the occasion of their 5th Wedding Anniversary. If you would like to donate flowers for the altar please contact the parish office (410-466-6884, x10). The memorial will be mentioned in the parish bulletin and in the weekly order of worship.

**Whole Community Catechesis
Questions for Faith Sharing**

Question for Adults

What is your experience of being a follower of Christ, of being cared for and guarded with him as shepherd?

Question for Youth

Jesus said "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." How does Jesus speak to you? What new path is he asking of you?

Question for Children

Jesus promises to guard us like a shepherd does the sheep. How do you experience his loving care in your life?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 26 ~ Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 27 ~ Easter Weekday

Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, April 28 ~ Easter Weekday

St. Peter Chanel, priest and martyr;

St. Louis Mary de Montfort, priest

Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50

**Thursday, April 29 ~ St. Catherine of Siena, virgin
and doctor of the Church**

Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

Friday, April 30 ~ Easter Weekday

St. Pius V, pope

Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, May 1 ~ Easter Weekday

St. Joseph the Worker

Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday, May 2 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

Join Us In Learning

BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH! *The RCIA Team, Sponsors, and the newly Baptized and Professed Catholics invite those who are considering becoming members of the Catholic Faith and any parishioners interested in serving as future sponsors to join them this Monday, April 26, from 7 to 8:30PM in the Undercroft. You will have the opportunity to hear about the spiritual journey of the newly initiated, to share faith, and to pose questions about RCIA. Contact Sister Carol carol@theshrine.org for further information.*

Join Us In Service

ALTAR SERVERS, LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: *The May and June schedules have been emailed to you. The schedule is also available on the Ministries page of the website. If you did not receive your schedule by email and wish to do so, please provide the parish office with your current email address.*

IN MEMORIAM: Please remember in your prayers all the faithfully departed especially Archbishop William Borders and parishioner, Miguel Ibayan.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, ESPECIALLY: *Larry Preller, Gloria Marble, Patricia Rhinehart, Mary Lou Hubbard, Matthew Costello, Willy Wade, Randy Brenner and Bob Welsh.*

Join Us In Community

CALLING ALL ARTISTS! The Art at the Heart Group invites all artists to look forward to October and November 2010, the next exhibit at the Shrine. The fine art of all media by persons of all ages is most welcome! Registration forms will be available soon. Contact Sister Carol for information.

THIS WEEK AT THE SHRINE

Meeting Rooms: Gathering Rooms I, II, III (GRI, GRII, GRIII) and the Choir Room (CR) are located in the Undercroft of the Church. Taylor Conference Room (TCR) and Mullen Library (ML) are located in the Rectory. School Library (SL), Taylor Hall (TH) are in the school.

Monday, April 26

7PM RCIA (GRIII)

Tuesday, April 27

7PM School Spring Show (TH)

7:30PM Communion & Liberation (GRIII)

Thursday, April 29

7PM Choir (CR)

Saturday, May 1

6PM Couples for Christ (GRI,II,III)

Sunday, May 2

8:45AM Sunday's Child (Pre-K Classroom in School)

9AM Family Liturgy at 9AM Mass

10:15 Elementary Faith Formation Closing Session

SSHS Collection



Youth Ministry Picnic

Sunday, May 2, 2010

Meadowood Regional Park

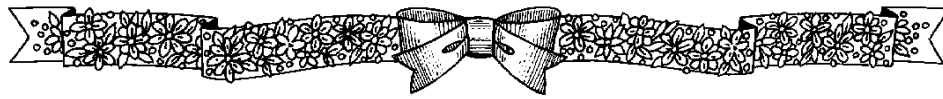
1 to 5PM

Bring a lunch and celebrate!

Permission forms available.

We will meet at the Church lot.

Contact Bernetta at 410-466-6884, x14



Mother's Day Brunch

May 9

Following all the Masses

Breakfast #1	7.50
Fruit cup, ham & 2 eggs Bagel/cream cheese Coffee/tea, orange juice	
Breakfast #2	7.50
Fruit cup, 2 pancakes and 2 sausage patties Bagel/cream cheese Coffee/tea, orange juice	
Continental Breakfast	3.25
Danish and choice of drink	

SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART YOUTH MINISTRIES FUNDRAISER

**To benefit Youth Service Trip to our Mission Parish
in Belize and other activities.**

For tickets and information

Please contact Bernetta
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