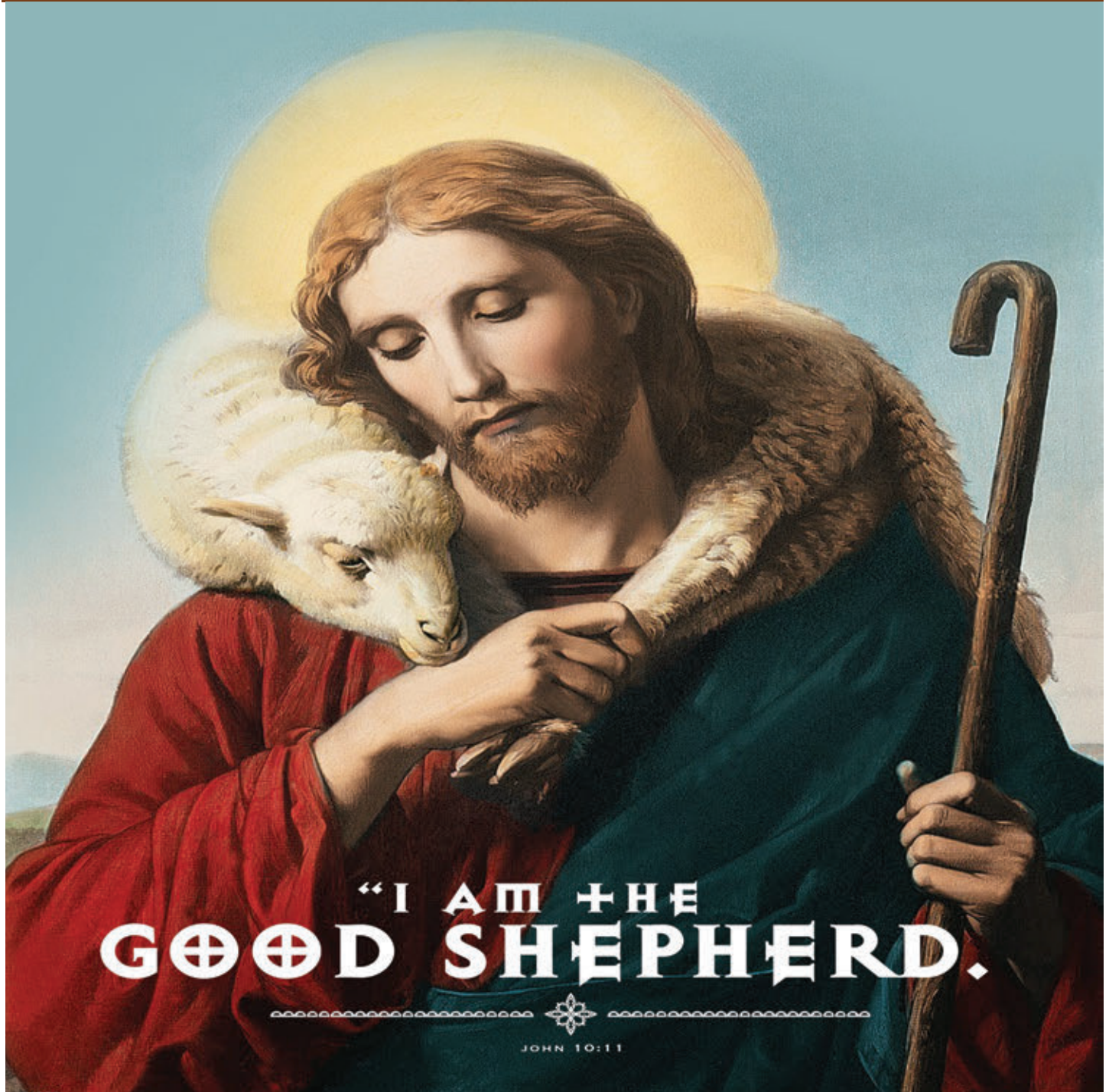


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MASSES

Weekdays: Monday thru Friday 7:30 AM, Saturday 8:00 AM

Weekends: Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Holy Days: 7:30 AM, Noon & 7:00 PM

Reconciliation: Thursdays 6:30 to 7:30 PM

April 25, 2021, Our Lady of Good Counsel



SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	APRIL 24, 2021 James Aversano r/o Loving Family Kopczyk Family r/o Lorraine Papszycki
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	APRIL 25, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Easter Rob & Donna Cook r/o Mom H. Page Fielding r/o Wife, Judy Jeffrey A. Gambino r/o Family For the People of the Parish
MONDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 26, 2021 Carol Hanson r/o Ginny & Ed Evans
TUESDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 27, 2021 Nick Gregorio r/o Ginny & Ed Evans
WEDNESDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 28, 2021 Hilda Szmuto r/o Family
THURSDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 29, 2021 Arthur Keefe r/o Nicholas & Deborah Solimando
FRIDAY, 7:30 AM	APRIL 30, 2021 Anne Newell r/o Daughter, Debbie & Family
SATURDAY, 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	MAY 1, 2021 Special Intention For the People of the Parish John N. Zajaros r/o Wife, Eileen Doyle and Daughter, Nan
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	MAY 2, 2021 Fifth Sunday of Easter Delores & Frank Mattis r/o Mary Arcadipane Jean V. Ferdetta r/o Deborah & Nicholas Solimando



Registered Parishioners	788 families
Parishioners using envelopes	78
Envelope Contributions	\$3,520.00
Average Contribution	\$45.71
Loose Cash	\$ 279.00
Contributions for April 18th	\$3,799.00
Bishop's Overseas Collection amounted to \$	639.00
Thank you for your generosity	

Readers

SATURDAY, 7:30 PM	MAY 1 Elise Stankus
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	MAY 2 Sean Feddema Maeve Cannon

WELCOME BACK ALTAR SERVERS!

SATURDAY, 7:30 PM	MAY 1 James Gummel
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	MAY 2 Brayden Spina Dylan Rutkowski

Parish Events

Thursday, April 29 the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place at 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Church. Mask must be worn and please social distance.



First Reconciliation – Thursday, April 29 at 6:00 PM.
Confirmation - Thursday, May 20 at 6:00 PM.

Confirmation Class Important Dates:

Confirmation Service Project due Tuesday, April 27th – Pre-K Zip lock bags of items. Drop off at box on Rectory Porch.

Confirmation Service Project due Sunday, May 2nd – Letters to Morris Hall Residents. Drop off at box on Rectory Porch.

All paperwork should be in by May 2nd.

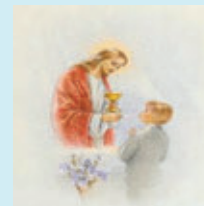
Interviews will begin the week of May 3rd.

Practice for Candidates Only – Tuesday March 18th at 4:00 p.m. Confessions for candidates following practice.

Practice with Candidates & Sponsors – Wednesday, May 19th at 7:30 p.m.

Confirmation – Thursday, May 20th 6:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Good Counsel
First Holy Communion
Sunday, May, 2, 2021
10:30 A.M.



Our Lady of Good Counsel
Parish May Crowning
Sunday, May, 2, 2021
Following First Communion
at the Fatima Statue
Weather Permitting, if not, in Church

April 25, 2021, Our Lady of Good Counsel



Pray for our Sick:

Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Sara Cooper, Al Gatto, Elizabeth Gervasoni, Theresa Gregorio, Sherri Hanlon, Marie Hegyi, Kevin McBride, Keith Mello, Lorraine Metzgar, Joan Moore, Marie Muscente, Kim Nash, Angelika Niranjan, Joan Pachuta, Carol Perrine, Lucy Saganowski, Kristy Shanahan, Linda Solinski, Paul Sollami, Lauren Williams and all parishioners who are sick or homebound.

Please call the parish office at 609-882-3277 to add a name to the prayer list and to inform us when all is well so we may take a name off the list.

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The Fourth Second Sunday of Easter



Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. (Gospel)"

Christ the Good Shepherd.

4th Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

[Reading I: Acts 4:8-12](#)

[Responsorial Psalm: 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29](#)

[Reading II: 1 John 3:1-2](#)

[Gospel: John 10:11-18](#)

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

No matter how speedily our computers compute, or how "Wi" your "fi" is, the image we hear today of God's Son as "The Good Shepherd" persists in popularity and persuasive power. Chalk that up to our unexpressed longing for a gentler human landscape, free of the hard edges technology prefers to give our interactions with one another. Often those are more blunt than beneficial. At any rate, this perennial power of the Holy Word of Scripture is evident.

As a result, we can easily summon to mind that familiar painting or statue of a virile Christ shouldering a helpless lamb. Equally easy to think of ourselves as that needy creature, wordlessly longing for the solace that is our salvation. Admittedly we can be so lost at times that we wonder whether or not we will find our way back to a place of peace.

Mature Christian living will not let us ignore for long the ugly fact that there are many bad shepherds out there, who lurk around our pending decisions. They secretly laugh at our weak faith in the Lord if things don't work out as we had hoped.

It is interesting that the Greek word John uses for "good" in this instance means "ideal" or "noble," and not simply "good at." That keeps us from falling into the fallacy which holds that only the person who is productive is worthwhile. That in turn foments a fear of retirement among many people of a certain age, thinking that their personal value will go down.

This Sunday happens to be "The World Day of Prayer for Vocations" by our Church. Unless you've been vacationing on Venus the last few decades, you have noted the diminished number of priests and religious. Easy to ascribe that fact to the tired canard that such a life is against nature, or is just plain odd. Odd I'll grant you. But it is so good for those so called. More serious claim for those lesser numbers can be attributed the awful scandals we have experienced. That last is why I call today's seminarians and novices "heroes."

Truth to tell, the Holy Spirit obviously wants to wake up the "sleeping giant" of lay participation in Church life to do even more. Yet the fact remains that our Church is built around the Holy Eucharist. Without the priest there is no Eucharist. But in this endeavor, we can never neglect or underestimate the power of prayer. That's what today is all about. We do have to beg the "Harvest master" for an increase in "field laborers."

Here is a story of one who said "yes" to his calling. Father Vincent Capodanno, a chaplain with the Marine Corps, was killed in battle on September 4, 1967 somewhere in the QueSon Valley in Vietnam. The last section of the official citation of the Congressional Medal of Honor, awarded posthumously, reads as follows:

Upon encountering a wounded corpsman in the direct line of fire of an enemy machine gunner positioned approximately fifteen yards away, Chaplain Capodanno rushed a daring attempt to aid and assist the mortally wounded corpsman. At that instant, only inches from his goal, he was struck down by a burst of machine gun fire.

By his heroic conduct on the battlefield, and his inspiring example, Lt. Capodanno upheld the finest tradition of the U.S. Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life in the cause of freedom."

The Fourth Second Sunday of Easter

Though I do not believe that a plant will spring up where no seed has been, I have great faith in a seed... Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to expect wonders.

Henry David Thoreau

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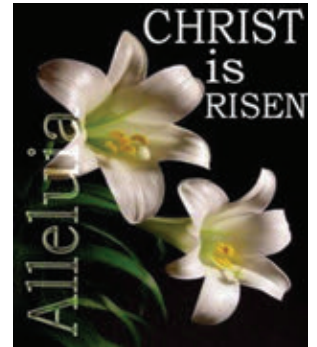
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The Fourth Second Sunday of Easter



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Your generosity has made our altar beautiful for the Sacred Easter Triduum. Please know we tried very hard to get names spelled correctly if there is an error God knows who you meant. ☺ Thank you for your understanding.



The Fourth Sunday of Easter

DIOCESAN ADVISORY

Guidelines for public, in-church Masses, as directed by the Diocese of Trenton:

- 1. COVID-19 is still extremely contagious, especially indoors or in closed settings;**
- 2. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday/Holy Day Masses remains in effect so that all Catholic faithful, in good conscience, are not required to be physically present in church; live-streamed Masses will continue in most parishes;**
- 3. Anyone who is sick or at risk should not come to church; that is not punitive but, rather, common sense and an act of charity toward your neighbors;**
- 4. All parishes are expected to abide by occupancy and other regulations of the Diocese with care;**
- 5. Masks must be worn (no exceptions), physical contact of any kind must be avoided, social distancing must be practiced, proper sanitation must be observed at all public, in church Masses;**
- 6. Before attending public, in church Masses, the Catholic faithful are asked to consider any possible health and safety risks involved.**

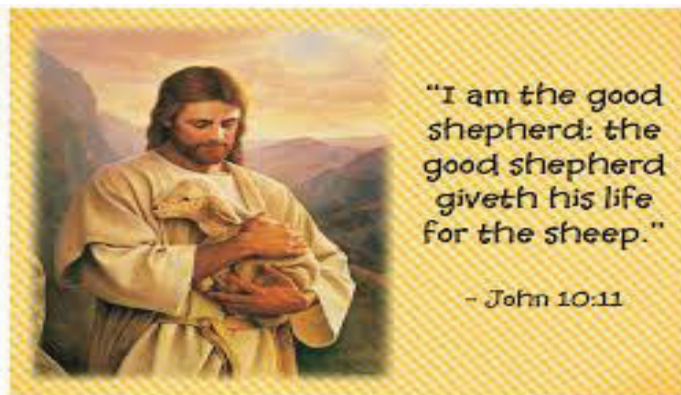
Weekend Masses-Directives & Guidelines

The Diocese has limited attendance at weekend Masses to 1/3 of attendance capacity. For Our Lady of Good Counsel this places us at approximately 220 people per Mass. However, in our pews with proper social distancing we are closer to 200. As our normal weekend Mass attendance, in normal circumstances is approximately 200 per mass, we will not place any restrictions on attendance at this time, but will revisit this if it is needed

- The Bishop continues to keep in place a dispensation from Sunday and Holy Day Obligations so that those who need to may "stay home in good conscience." Those in high risk categories should **strongly consider** staying home. Those with the symptoms of any respiratory illnesses **must** stay home.
- All who attend must either enter through the **Main front doors or through the elevator entrance.** The other doors will be locked. You may exit through any door.
- Seating will only be allowed in un-taped pews. Any non-cohabiting families must maintain social distancing of **at least 6 feet** even in the pews that

are open. PLEASE RECOGNIZE THAT YOUR FAVORITE SEAT MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE.

- Facial masks or coverings must be worn by those who attend the Mass. The Priest and Lector will remove face coverings for the celebration but will wear them at all other times.
- For this initial phase, Holy Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass, not at the usual time. This will happen in both the front and rear of the Church. Please maintain distancing while in line and while exiting the Church. Remove your mask to receive communion and then replace your mask. **Communion in the Hand is strongly preferred at this time.** If you must receive on the tongue please try to wait until the end of the communion line.
- The Restroom in the Choir stairway is available for emergency use only.
- Hand hygiene should be maintained and while Sanitizer will be available at the doors of the Church, parishioners are encouraged to bring their own wipes and sanitizer as well.
- No bulletins, books, or handouts are allowed at this time. Holy Water fonts will be empty.
- There will be no Offertory procession. Collection baskets will be placed near the exits of the Church.
- Due to the danger of the spread of respiratory droplets: congregational singing is discouraged and hymns will not be announced.
- The continuation of public Masses will be contingent on volunteers willing to help sanitize the Church following the Masses.
- The Cry Room and the Sacristy are currently off limits to the public.
- The 10:30AM Mass will be live-streamed and recorded for the time being for those who stay home.



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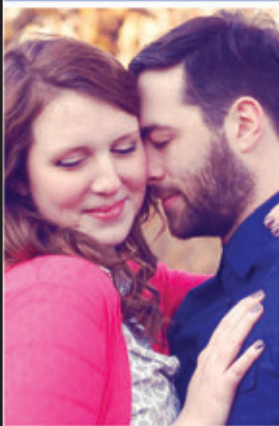
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