

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018



Weekday Readings April 23-27, 2018

Mon: Acts 11:1-18;
John 10:1-10

Tues: Acts 11:19-26;
John 10:22-30

Wed: 1 Peter 5:5b-14;
Mark 16:15-20

Thurs: Acts 13:13-25;
John 13:16-20

Fri: Acts 13:26-33;
John 14:1-6

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29;

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2; Gospel: John 10:11-18

“I will lay down my life for the sheep.”

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin said: “Love is the only force that can make things one without destroying them.” This is the work of the Good Shepherd and our work. As John’s letter reveals, we are the children of God, concerned about all the other children of God. This 4th Sunday of Easter is often referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. It is also a special reminder of our need to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, as well as all vocations of love and service within our families, our church and our human family.

As the Good Shepherd, Christ loves us with a love that is sacrificial. The readings today remind us that, in dying and rising, Christ changed everything, setting new standards for those who bear his name. As Christians, we are called to live by standards that the world does not know, standards which often make no sense to those who do not know Jesus. We will be judged not by how we meet the world’s standards, but by our willingness to emulate Christ’s sacrificial love by laying our lives down for others—**LOVING WITHOUT LIMITS!**

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 2018 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Next October, the Fifteenth Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops will meet to discuss the theme of young people and in particular the relationship between young people, faith and vocation. There we will have a chance to consider more deeply how at the center of our life is the call to joy that God addresses to us and how this is “God’s plan for men and women in every age.”

The Fifty-fifth World Day of Prayer for Vocations once again proclaims the good news to us, and in a decisive manner. We are not victims of chance or swept up in a series of unconnected events; on the contrary, our life and our presence in this world are the fruit of a divine vocation!

Even amid these troubled times, the mystery of the Incarnation reminds us that God continually comes to encounter us. He is God-with-us, who walks along the often dusty paths of our lives. He knows our anxious longing for love and he calls us to joy. In the diversity and the uniqueness of each and every vocation, personal and ecclesial, there is a need to *listen, discern* and

live this word that calls us from on high and, while enabling us to develop our talents, makes us instruments of salvation in the world and guides us to full happiness...**For Pope Francis’s entire message for the 2018 World Day of Vocations, please go to the U.S. Bishops usccb.org website.**

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father,
we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son’s Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call.



May our parish support and encourage vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Together, with them, may we follow the model of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. May we serve our Church, community and world by being faithful and generous witnesses of your compassionate love for all people and for all of creation. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis On The Call to Holiness in Today's World



YOUR MISSION IN CHRIST

19. A Christian cannot think of his or her mission on earth without seeing it as a path of holiness, for "this is the will of God, your sanctification" (1 Thess 4:3).

To read Pope Francis's entire Apostolic Exhortation, please follow the link on our parish website:

www.ourladcarmelvalley.org

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Easter Lily Mass Intentions

The list of Mass Intentions from our Easter Lily offerings is at the front doors of the church near the bulletins. If your intention is not on the list, please leave a message in the parish office.

Lifeline for Marriages

The next Retrouvaille weekend for couples is taking place May 4-6, 2018. For confidential information about Retrouvaille or to register call 831-479-1260 or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org.

2nd Collection — This Sunday April 22, 2018

Catholic Home Missions Appeal, including African American and Native American Missions

Offertory Report 4/15/2018

Plate \$1,946; Building Fund \$85; Grounds & Maintenance \$35; Hope's Pantry/Social Outreach \$35; Other \$105; Total: \$2,206.

Mass Intentions April 21-27, 2018

Sat	4:30 pm	+Jim and Ann Dunigan +Fr. Bill Queenan
Sun	9:00 am	+Louis Brizzolara +Sarah Russo
Sun	11:15 am	Morris Family +Marjorie Finn
	5:00 pm	+Artemio, Maria y Columba
Wed	7:00 am	+Frank Gamagha
Thu	7:00 am	+Louis Brizzolara

ANUNCIOS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español: Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras:

Favor de hablar con Padre Dennis

Confesiones: Los sábados a las 3:30 pm y por cita.

Coro de la Misa de 5:00 pm: Todos estan invitados a participar—cada domingo a las 4:15 pm.

EXHORTACIÓN APOSTÓLICA GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE DEL PAPA FRANCISCO

EL LLAMADO A LA SANTIDAD EN EL MUNDO ACTUAL



Tu Misión en Cristo

19. Para un cristiano no es posible pensar en la propia misión en la tierra sin concebirla como un camino de santidad, porque "esta es la voluntad de Dios: su santificación" (1 Ts 4,3).

Para leer la Exhortación Apostólica del Papa Francisco, favor de visitar la pagina del web parroquial: www.ourladcarmelvalley.org



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PARA CELEBRAR EL DIA DE LAS MADRES

El domingo, 6 de mayo, después de la Misa de 5:00 pm que celebraremos en honor de las madres. ¡Invítenles a los demás!

Youth Corner (John 10:11-18)

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, reminds us of our call to live with compassionate and faithful hearts. We are asked to follow Jesus with a love without limits. This means we are to be caregivers and protectors of those who need our care and support. Especially the black sheep of our society.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner

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Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 11:15 am, 5 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses:
Wednesday through Friday 7 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday
9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

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