

EASTER LILIES



Thank you to our anonymous donor for all the beautiful plants. Parishioners are invited to take home one (or more) of these plants.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

As you know, both Fr. Greenwell & Fr. Kwiecien are "half-time" pastors at St. Teresa's while serving as "half-time" hospital chaplains at St. Mary's Medical Center and Kaiser Permanente, respectfully. You're also probably aware that, in February 2015, UCSF opened a new hospital complex in Mission Bay. Additionally, San Francisco General is located just across the parish boundaries at 23rd & Potrero, and all four hospitals are in need of Eucharist Ministers.

Usually, Eucharistic Ministers visit Catholic patients and bring them communion on a regular basis, usually once per week, once per month, or what your schedule permits.

If you would like to be involved in this type of ministry, please see Fr. Greenwell or Fr. Kwiecien and they'll put you in touch with the proper people at each institution.

VISITING INCARCERATED YOUTH IN SAN FRANCISCO JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER

Training for new volunteers
Saturday, May 23 and May 30, 2015
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

St. Brendan Parish Hall
29 Rockaway Avenue, SF, CA 94127

Must call to schedule an interview:
415 244-5594

Please see the flyers & information sheets on the bulletin boards for details.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY MAY 9-10

HOW WILL YOU LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR?

We are called to love one another. Supporting Catholic Charities is a concrete way to put your faith into action as we reach out to our neighbors in need with compassion and respect for human life and dignity. Catholic Charities serves more than 35,000 children, families, and individuals who need your help to move toward self-sufficiency. We are on the frontlines of service to our poor and vulnerable neighbors who are homeless, aged, troubled, or seeking refuge. We also provide a positive outlet for more than 23,000 children and youth and believe in welcoming all, without judgment. We can't do this work without you. You can help by looking for our envelopes during the second collection, or simply place your donation directly in the second collection basket at your parish on Mother's Day weekend, May 9 – 10. Don't forget to join the social media conversation and tell us how you love your neighbor! #CatholicCharitiesSunday

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

WEEKEND COLLECTION

APRIL 18 & 19
\$1,408

THANK YOU!

SANDWICH TUESDAY

The faithful sandwich makers will meet on Tuesday, April 28 following the 8:30am Mass to make over 200 sandwiches for delivery to the St. Vincent de Paul Shelter.



WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

APRIL 26, 2015
**FOURTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER**



1490 19TH STREET (CHURCH)

LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF 19TH & CONNECTICUT STREETS



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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:15 pm
Sunday 8:30 &
10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 8:30 am
Friday 8:30 am

MARRIAGE

Please call six months in advance.

BAPTISM &

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please call the Parish Office
for an appointment.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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ST. TERESA'S MISSION STATEMENT

*As members of St. Teresa's Parish we fulfill our baptismal commitment
by being the hands and heart of Christ in our world.*

*We achieve this commitment by accepting the human dignity of all persons,
and by advocating for and serving those oppressed in our society.*

*The community of St. Teresa's finds its strength to fulfill this through participation
in the Eucharist, prayer, learning the building of relationships, and action for Justice.*

Parish Calendar

Sun, Apr 26 - Faith Formation
9:00am, Parish Hall
Mon, Apr 27 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
Tue, Apr 28 - SVdP Sandwich Tuesday
9:00am, Sammon
- SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00pm, Sammon
- Finance Council
7:00pm, Priory
Sat, May 2 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Sammon
Sun, May 3 - Faith Formation
9:00am, Parish Hall

MASS INTENTIONS

*As we celebrate Mass together
we include in our prayers:*

Saturday, April 25

4:15pm + Harry Jelenich
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, April 26

8:30am The People of the Parish
10:00am + Mary Barulich

Tuesday, April 28

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Friday, May 1

8:30am The Deceased of the Parish

Saturday, May 2

4:15pm + James J. Burns, Sr.
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, May 3

8:30am The People of the Parish
10:00am + Fred Caracciolo

SECOND COLLECTIONS

April 25 & 26

This week's second collection benefits the St. Teresa Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

May 2 & 3

Next week's second collection benefits the St. Teresa Building & Maintenance Fund.

The Mass Intention book for 2015 has Masses available. If there are special dates on which you would like to dedicate a Mass to a loved one, please contact the Parish Office.

Please check the bulletin boards in the vestibule & hall for upcoming events or special notices from the Archdiocese.

Ministers Schedule for Next Week May 2 & 3

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| 4:15 PM | | 10:00 AM | |
| Lector: A. Rose | | 1 Lector: B. Doyle | |
| Bread: J. Burns | | 2 Lector: D. B. Bernstein | |
| Cup: J. Daddio | | 1 Bread: S. Miller | |
| Hosp: M. Comaich | | 2 Bread: J. Warnock | |
| | | 3 Bread: M. K. Law | |
| 8:30 AM | | 1 Cup: J. Schelstrate | |
| Lector: K. Causey | | 2 Cup: G. McGrath | |
| Bread: R. Kingman | | Hosp: J. Warnock | |
| Cup: M. Morey | | | |
| Hosp: T. Lando | | | |

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Of all the images of God portrayed in Scripture, the most beloved, perhaps, is that of the Shepherd. For centuries, both Jewish and Christian believers have found solace and comfort in this image. Immediately, Psalm 23 comes to mind (*"The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want. . ."*), and, as a hospital chaplain who almost daily comes face-to-face with sickness and death, I can testify that Psalm 23 is the uncontested prayer of choice among my patients and their families. Additionally, many a Christian has identified with the lost sheep of the synoptic Gospels, and the image of the compassionate shepherd (God) searching for and embracing the lost sheep (sinners) is a welcomed alternative to those images of God that revolve around judgement and punishment.

When I did a word search of the Bible on my Kindle, it turned up 169 references to *shepherd*, leading me to conclude that image of God-as-shepherd is the most prominent image of God in the Scriptures. Which brings us to the Fourth Sunday of Easter: Good Shepherd Sunday.

In the Gospel of John, much of Chapter 10 focuses on the Good Shepherd, and the Lectionary divides the reading into three sections: Jn 10:1-10 (Year A), Jn 10:11-18 (Year B), and Jn 10:27-30 (Year C). What is fascinating about these Johanne texts is that they simultaneously draw upon literal and metaphorical images of the Shepherd. For example: In this Sunday's reading, Jesus compares himself to the Good Shepherd, one who is willing to lay down his life for his sheep. The obvious allusion is to Jesus' laying down his life for all, but the passage quickly moves to an extended metaphor that applies to the community and Church:

"I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must lead them, too, and they shall hear my voice. There shall be one flock then, one shepherd." (Jn: 10:16-17)

This image of "one flock, one shepherd" is significant from an ecumenical perspective: earlier in the passage, the emphasis was on the shepherd protecting the chosen flock; now, suddenly, the once exclusive flock has become incredibly inclusive.

In researching this column, I could find no formal explanation as to why the Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, other than the fact that the readings are taken from the 10th Chapter of John. I did discover that incorporating the Good Shepherd readings at Eastertime has a long tradition in the Church, and that – prior to the Second Vatican Council – the Good Shepherd Readings were done on the Third Sunday of Easter. With the revision of the Lectionary, the Good Shepherd Readings were moved to the Fourth.

Good Shepherd Sunday marks a turning point in the Easter Cycle of Gospels. The first three Sundays focus on the Resurrection (the empty tomb on Easter; the "doubting Thomas" on the second Sunday; and an appearance story on the third), and on the Fifth and Sixth Sundays we read from John's Final Discourse at the Last Supper (a lengthy section in which Jesus prepares the disciples for his departure at the Ascension and the descent of the Spirit at Pentecost). Good Shepherd Sunday serves as a transition between these two major themes of the Easter season.

Recently, the image of shepherd has been linked to formal ministry in the Church. As a result, Good Shepherd Sunday has been linked to vocations to the religious life and priesthood. In many parishes, homilies utilize outside speakers who offer personal testimony and witness about their vowed religious life as a sister, brother, or priest.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.

Welcome to St. Teresa's Parish Community

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here celebrating with us. Whether long-time residents or newly arrived in our parish, we thank God that you are with us. If you are not registered or have changes to your registration, please fill in the form below.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

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