April 25, 2021  

Fourth Sunday of Easter

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. 1 John 3:1

Saturday 24  Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69  
Sunday 25  Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1,8-9,121-23,26,28,29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18  
Monday 26  Acts 11:1-18; Pss 42:2-3;43:3-4; Jn 10:1-10  
Tuesday 27  Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:11b-7; Jn 10:22:30  
Wednesday 28  Acts 12:24--13:5a; Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8; Jn 12:44-50  
Thursday 29  Acts 13-25; Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25,27  
Friday 30  Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11b; Jn 14:1-6

Mass Intentions: Saturday 24 5:00 Robert Schneider; Sunday 25 8:00 People; 10:00 Mary Ann Prenger  
Confession: Saturday: 4:20-4:45.

Communion Service/Rosary  
Monday: Communion Service at 6:30 followed by Rosary. No Service on Wednesday

Good Shepherd Sunday occurs on the fourth Sunday of the Easter. The name derives from the gospel reading for the day, which is taken from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. In this reading Christ is described as the "Good Shepherd" who lays down his life for his sheep. The Psalm for the day is Psalm 23, which also makes use of shepherd imagery. Jesus was called the Good Shepherd because he called himself the good shepherd in the Gospel of John 10.

First Communion will be on May 1st at 3:00 in our church. We have seven youth receiving this Sacrament. Confirmation will be May 8 at Our Lady of Lourdes. We have 19 youth that will be Confirmed. Keep these youths in your prayers as they make their Holy Sacraments.

Rice Bowls can be put in the offering basket. Thank you to those that contributed.

Office Hours: Next Week I will be in the office Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday due to a doctor’s appointment on Tuesday.

Bishop McKnight’s Prayer for May: In May we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary our spiritual mother, this month by our support in charity for all mothers who struggle in poverty to raise their children.

Catholic Home Missions Collection: This weekend we will be collecting money for the Home Missions. Please be generous as this does support mission diocese organizations and religious institutions in the United States.

Parish Council Election: We will be having Parish Council elections in June. Anyone who feels a calling to serve on the Council please submit your name and a few biographical sentences about yourself to Mary at the parish office by May 15th. There will be 3 people elected. A mighty thanks to Ben Jennings, Jim Kempker and Shawn Carrico for their years of wonderful service.

Prayers needed: Mary Reichert after knee surgery, Annette and Ed Fashing. Mary and Annette are patients at the Acute Care Center in Columbia. Amanda (Formerly Ewigman) who received a heart transplant and is at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive May 18 2:00-6:00. You need to register with the Red Cross online or by phone.
**Multipurpose Building:** Mary will be handling rentals for the MPB. Call the church office or her cell phone 682-0120 for reservations.

**Service Hours:** Our 7th and 8th graders that are preparing for Confirmation are looking for service hours. If you have work around your house that you would like some help with call Kelli Cash. **Thank you** Betty Gooding for your years of handling the reservations for MPB. Carolyn Romine for her lovely decorating at the front of the church.

**Another way to make your Sunday Offerings to Holy Spirit Parish.**
**Start by going to** Holy Spirit website [https://holyspiritcentralmo.org](https://holyspiritcentralmo.org) Go to the toolbar which is about ¼ of the way down the page click on GIVE. This takes you to the opening page of the payment portal. At this point you can create an account by clicking on create account. Or you can make a one time payment by clicking on pay now. Then just follow the steps. When you set up an account you will need to create a user name and password. Just follow the steps. If you set up an account you have the ability to set up recurring contributions. If you elect to use the recurring it is an automatic donation to the church based on the date and amount you want to give.
You can also change the amount, date, etc. at any time by just logging back in to your account, by using your username and password and login. You also have the ability to run reports showing your donation history. This is easiest way to use this portal.
You can continue to use your weekly envelopes if you desire, that is not going away. This is just another way of making your contribution. Remember that we do have special collections as you set up for this. Envelopes will help for those collections. If you have any questions or need assistance in setting up an account on the payment portal please give me a call at 573 489 5014. I will assist you in any way I can. God Bless, Jim Kempker Parish Council.