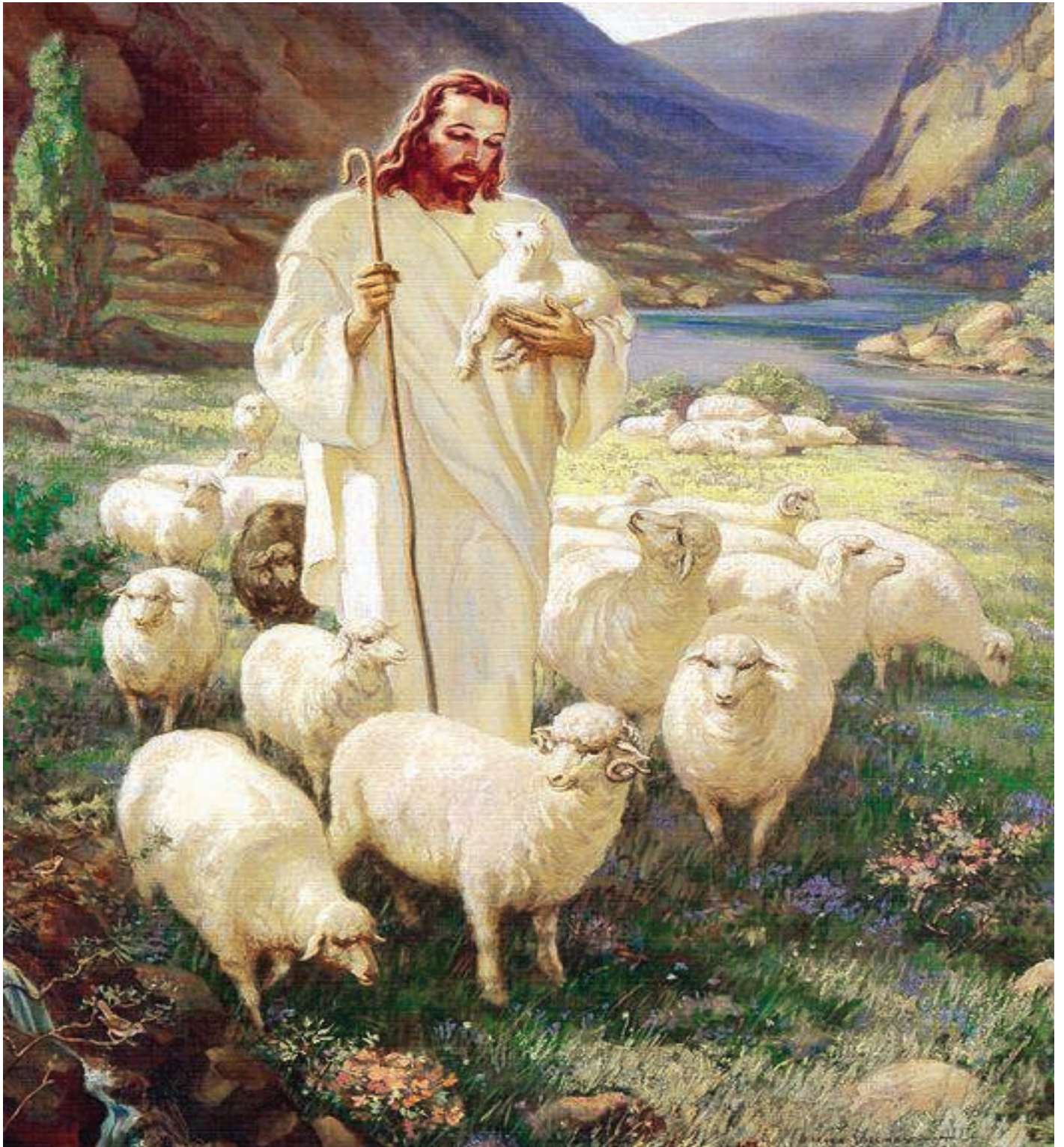


FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10/11, 2025



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

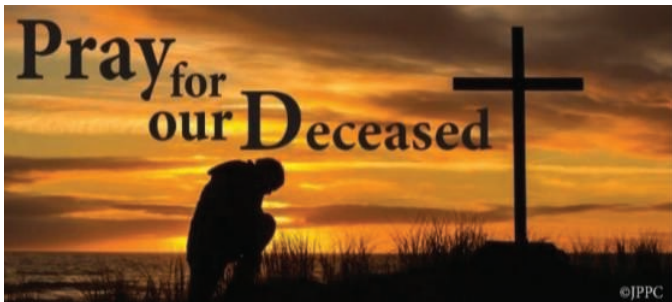
Mon	Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 Jn 10:1-10
Tue	Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 10:22-30
Wed	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Jn 15:9-17
Thu	Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 Jn 13:16-20
Fri	Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab Jn 14:1-6
Sat	Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 14:7-14
Sun	Acts 14:21-27 Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 Rv 21:1-5a Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



MASS INTENTIONS/ OFFERTORY GIFTS

When more than one family has an intention for a single Mass, we suggest that a member of each family present the gifts (hosts and

wine) to the Celebrant. Please notify an Usher before Mass if you are in attendance and wish to bring the gifts to the altar and whether you would like the gifts to be placed in front of the first pew (if you are unable to walk the entire length of the center aisle



Bereavement

St. Joseph Parish community mourns the passing of our loved ones.. Please keep them and their families in your prayers and offer your condolences and prayerful support to them throughout this difficult time.

REFLECTIONS

World Day of Prayer for Vocations, and Mother's Day.

There has been a lot of media chatter these days about our country's enemies and their threats to our country's defenses. We are the envy of many other people who share this earth with us.

More important for us as believers in Christ is the defensive position we must take to preserve religious freedom. That comes about by our steadfast fidelity to the Creed we pray at every Sunday Mass dating back to the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. But long before that Council, St. Paul, our greatest missionary, made it abundantly clear to his audiences that Jesus Christ is our surest defense against the main enemy of our souls: Satan the father of lies. In the present secular culture that dominates our country, where the mere mention of the word "God" makes a lot of people uncomfortable, we need to have a more robust Christian faith. I daresay it was easier some n fifty or so years ago. (I took comfort recently when I saw some television news personnel proudly wearing their forehead crosses on Ash Wednesday evening. A tiny breakthrough.)

These thoughts prompt me to remind you of one of best "tools" for a muscular maintenance of our faith life, namely the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or Penance. There is nothing like the feeling of relief one gets after a good sacramental confession.

On two other matters, the first is that today our Church marks the "World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Specifically, we're asked to pray for young men and women to consider either a vocation to the permanent diaconate, or the priesthood or the consecrated life as the case may be. Prayer is a major component, but so is your encouragement to a young man or woman who mentions their attraction to one or the other. You're helping the Holy Spirit do His work!

The second mater also on our minds today is our country's "Mother's Day." We honor that very special person in our lives. Allow me to close these reflections with the tribute of an imperfect but still very great man to his mother:

"My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her." – George Washington

God love you and give you His peace.

source: Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



The **MISSION** of the parish community of Saint Joseph is to “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel.”

Our **VISION**: As a Catholic faith community, we invite all to experience the saving grace of Jesus Christ. We strive to grow and sustain by offering ministries that meet and nurture the Sacramental, spiritual, material, and emotional needs of our greater community.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church

St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

May 10
Sat 4:00pm
In Memory of the deceased Mothers of the Walker and Cosetta Families by Linda, Paul and Bethany
&
In memory of Lori Tesseris by the SVDP Society of St. Eugene

May 13
Tue 7:45am
Propuolo Mass for all living deceased members of St. Joseph Church

St. Matthias, Apostle

May 14
Wed 7:45am
In Memory of Raymond Zifcak
Special Intentions

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 17
Sat 4:00pm
In Memory of Henry Mousseau by Norma and Family
&
In Memory of Deanne Holland (11th Ann) by Mike and Nancy



SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week **In Memory of the deceased Mothers of the parishioners of St. Joseph Church**



Do you, or someone you know, need a prayer? **Call Pauline Prew 568-5644** and have our “Prayer Warriors” pray for your intentions.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

		5/3/25
Weekly		\$1150.00
Monthly		\$374.00
Fuel		\$65.00
Mail-In		\$310.00
Mass Stipend		\$25.00
Mother's Day		\$98.00
Father's Day		\$30.00
Easter Offering		\$10.00
Total Operating		\$2062.00
Catholic Communications		\$10.00
Ascension		\$20.00

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

May 17	Fuel
May 29	Ascension
May 31	Monthly

ON-LINE GIVING

Thank you to those parishioners who utilize Parish Giving. If you have not done so already, please visit our website-stjosephri.org to enroll in on-line giving. (See “Parish Giving” icon-bulletins lower left corner of the home page.)

TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Coming Soon: Mark your calendars:

Informational Activities Committee Meeting:

Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 6:30pm in the church basement. Any questions or concerns, please contact Tammy Parkhurst at (401) 309-6472.

PRAYER FOR POPE FRANCIS

Please, let us keep praying for the repose of his soul:

O God, immortal shepherd of souls, look on your people's prayers and grant that your servant Pope Francis, who presided over your Church in charity, may, with the flock entrusted to his care, receive from your mercy the reward of a faithful steward.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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