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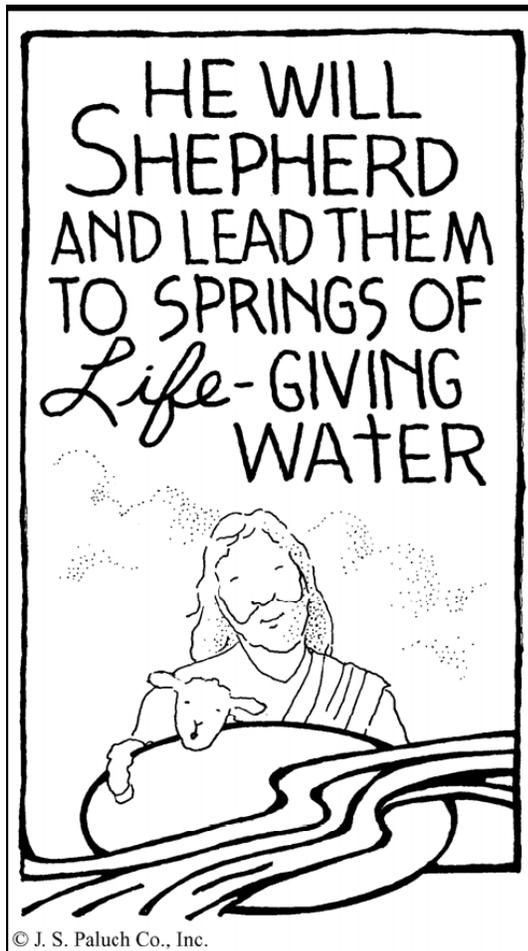
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Our Parish Staff

Reverend Robert J. Roll, Pastor
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Mr. Terry Rose, Youth Minister
Mr. Tommy Slay, Facilities Manager

Liturgy Schedule

Sunday at 10 AM

Monday thru Friday as scheduled

8 AM in the House Chapel

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before Mass and anytime by appointment!

The Sacrament of the Sick

Please make arrangements with the Parish House to have the Sacraments brought to the sick and homebound.

The Anointing of the Sick should take place early in any illness and as often as necessary.

Please note: Hospitals are not allowed, by law, to contact the parish.

Please have someone contact the Parish House for a hospital visit.

New Parishioners

Please consider registering after Mass at the Activity Table in the Church or call the Parish House at your convenience!

Welcome Visitors to St. Bride

We are honored to have you with us! Please be sure to sign our guest book.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 17, 2016



MASSES THIS WEEK

Daily Mass is celebrated at 8 AM
In the Parish House Chapel as scheduled

The Fourth Sunday of Easter:

For the Intention of Donna Heavlin
For the Intention of John Berkowicz
For the Intention of Tepavchevich
For the Intention of Kimberly Carney
For the Intention of Margaret Cmarik
For the Intention of Marge Machay
For the Intention of Victoria Swiatek
For the Intention of Robert Lammers

Monday: St. Stanislaus

Tuesday: Easter Weekday

Wednesday: St. Martin I

Thursday: St. Anselm

Friday: Easter Weekday

Earth Day; Passover begins

Saturday: Easter Weekday

The Fifth Sunday of Easter:

For the Intention of Dr. Violet Eggert
For the Intention of George and Helen Brongel
For the Intention of Joe Golab
For the Intention of Sister Elaine Marie CSFN

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;
Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7;
Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-
6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22,
25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab;
Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4;
Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-
5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Support Our Food Pantry

The St. Bride Food Pantry is open. We will welcome your donations of *NON-PERISHABLE* food items to stock our shelves and prepare bags for those who utilize our outreach program when you bring them to Church each week, September to June! Food can be brought on Sundays to the Church! Gift cards for groceries are also welcome!

THE GIFT

The artist is nothing without the gift, but the gift is nothing without work. — *Emile Zola*

Upcoming Dates and Events 2016

May 15th – Annual Spring Luncheon

Reception at 12 pm

Luncheon promptly at 1 pm

At Dynasty Banquets

4125 Calumet Avenue in Hammond, Indiana

Donation: Adult \$45.00 / Child \$20.00

All tickets and ads must be completed and paid for by May 9, 2016. Add \$10 per ticket, if available, after May 9, 2016

Mass Intentions Available

If you have a special anniversary or family member or celebration that you want to remember at Mass, now is the time to arrange to reserve that date. Please be sure to include your intention as well as your phone number when submitting the request. The traditional stipend per Mass is ten dollars. You can schedule Masses by email or on Give Central; see left column of our web page at www.st-bride.org.



Electronic Giving for Weekly Offerings

Since we have started *Give Central*, more than \$8000.00 has been contributed through this electronic means of giving! It is an excellent way of scheduling your offerings to St. Bride, as well as a way of marking special events. Click on the “Donate Now” button on our web site at

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JUBILEE OF MERCY

PROMISE

When God promises us his mercy, he pledges himself. When he promises us his mercy, we can have assurance as we walk into an unknown future. If we cling to that promise, we will stand strong. “[God] has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors . . . that we . . . might serve him without fear.” (Luke 1:72,74)



ONE WORD
AT A TIME

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Pray for Peace in the World and in our City

THE SHEPHERD'S FLOCK



In Christian art, the earliest depictions of Jesus Christ were not of his crucifixion or of his resurrection. The first known renderings of Jesus show him as the Good Shepherd, the image put before us in today's readings. In the Gospel passage Jesus reveals that he is the shepherd and his followers are his "flock."

In the first and second readings, we are told more about the flock. The passage from Acts assures us that both Jews and Gentiles are called to follow Jesus. It is faith, not birthright, that makes us part of the company of believers. In the passage from the book of Revelation we learn that the flock that follows this Lamb of God will also be washed in his blood. They will endure a time of trial before they enjoy eternal life. Be assured of the promise, we are told, but know there is a price to be paid.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just as the early church consecrated women living alone in the world, today that consecration is available to women who take solemn vows as cloistered nuns (different from religious sisters), women who follow a way of life in communities called "secular institutes," and laywomen. Oddly, the ritual is not permitted for religious sisters. The prayers talk about the woman's self-gift to Christ, and her self-gift to the Church. Up until recent years, this was a solemn ceremony performed only for cloistered nuns under certain circumstances. In its new form, we have a ritual that revives a very ancient and little-known way of life. Today, a woman can live independently at home, without association with any religious sisterhood or institute, yet be consecrated to holiness and service. Normally, a ring and/or a veil may be given in the liturgy of consecration. It is a rite very different from religious profession, where the sister makes promises or vows, and is rather an expression of approval and blessing for a way of life already embraced. Unlike ancient times, which valued actual virginity, the new rite may be celebrated for anyone provided there has never been a marriage and the woman has always lived a virtuous life.

Simple Explanation of the Mass by Fr. Tommy Lane *(continued)*

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer follows with its variable preface. The Preface begins with "The Lord be with you" and concludes with the Holy, Holy...

The Eucharistic Prayer is a great prayer of thanksgiving. Each Eucharistic Prayer contains the following elements.

1. The priest prays with both hands stretched over the gifts. At this time he prays that the Holy Spirit may come upon the gifts and make them holy. The bread and wine now begins changing into the Body and Blood of Jesus, and not only at the consecration.
2. The priest raises the consecrated host and chalice of wine to the people so that they can adore Jesus truly present in the bread and wine. I invite you to look and Jesus and adore him as he is elevated in the bread and chalice.
3. After the Institution Narrative (consecration) the prayer remembers the actions of Jesus to save us.
4. The priest offers Jesus, the victim, to the Father.
5. There is a prayer once more to the Holy Spirit, this time to come down on the people and unite them.
6. This is followed by many petitions.
7. At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer the priest raises up the bread and wine as a reminder that it is through Christ, with him and in him that everything is made holy.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Do not feel totally, personally, irrevocably responsible for everything... That's my job.

—God