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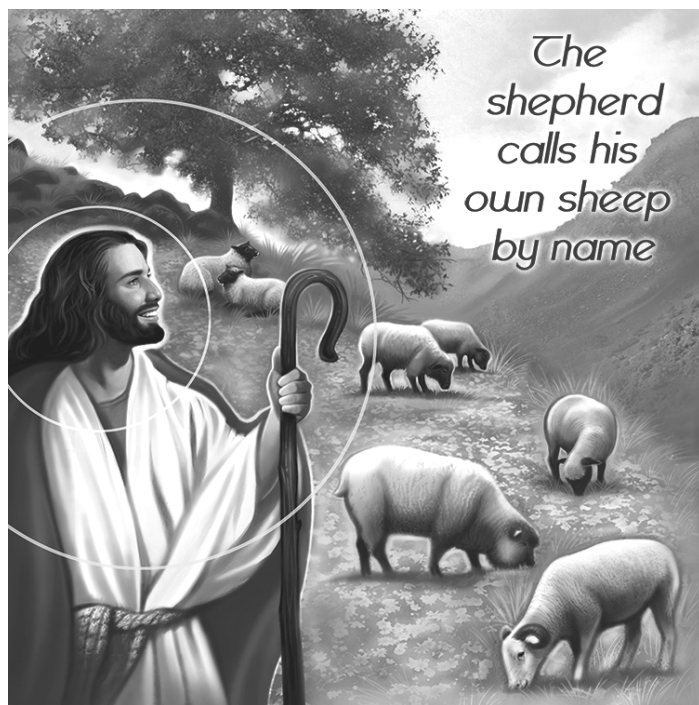
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May 7, 2017

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

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.



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 Adrienne Monu - Addie

Lee Rayford - Adger Jesse Hagood

For the Intention Georgiane M. Roraff

For the Intention of Sr. Elaine Marie CSFN

Monday: Weekday

Tuesday: Weekday

Wednesday: St. Damien de Veuster

Thursday: Weekday

For the Intention of Fr. Bob Roll's 40th

Anniversary - Ordained May, 11, 1977

For the Intention of "Big" Jim Colisiimo

Friday: SS.. Nereus and Achilles;

St. Pancras

Saturday: Our Lady of Fatima

The Fifth Sunday of Easter:

For the Intention of Deborah Husband

For the Intention of Marge Machay

For the Intention of The Klugiewicz Family

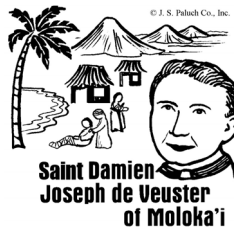
For the Intention of Verna McFadden

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.

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!

Electronic Giving for Weekly Offerings Since we have started *Give Central*, more than \$12,000.00 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 www.st-bride.org.



Father Damien of Molokai Feastday is May 10th

Joseph de Veuster, the future Father Damien, was born at Tremelo in Belgium, January 3, 1840. When his oldest brother Pamphile entered the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, his father planned that Joseph would take charge of the family business. Joseph, however, decided to become a religious himself. In 1859 he entered the novitiate in Louvain and took the name of Damien.

In 1863, his brother, who was supposed to leave for the mission in the Hawaiian Islands, became ill. Damien obtained permission from the Superior General to take his place. He arrived in Honolulu on March 19, 1864, and was ordained to the priesthood on May 21, 1864. He was assigned to the island of Hawaii to begin his pastoral ministry.

At that time, the Hawaiian Government decided on a measure at stopping the spread of "leprosy" by deporting those thought to be infected to a peninsula surrounded by the ocean on three sides and by a very high mountain cliff on the other, a place of exile known as Kalaupapa on the island of Molokai. He brought hope to this hell of despair. After he himself contracted the disease in 1885, Damien was able to identify completely with them with the words, "We, Lepers." Father Damien became a witness of the love of God for His people. It is there that he found for himself and for those he served the support and encouragement, the consolation and the hope that made him "the happiest missionary in the world," a servant of God and a servant of humanity.

Father Damien died on April 15, 1889. In 1938 the process for his beatification was introduced at Malines (Belgium). Pope Paul VI signed the Decree on the "heroics of his virtues" on July 7, 1977. In Father Damien, the Church proposes an example to all those who find sense for their life in the Gospel and who wish to bring the Good News to the poor of our time. In 1995, Father Damien was beatified by Pope John Paul II in Brussels. On October 11, 2009 Pope Benedict XVI raised Father Damien to the rank of "sainthood." Saint Damien's Feast Day is May 10.

Upcoming Dates and Events 2017

May 21st – Annual Spring Luncheon

And a Salute to Fr. Bob Roll On the 40th Anniversary of
His Ordination to the Priesthood

Dynasty Banquets in Hammond, IN

All tickets must be purchased by May 14th

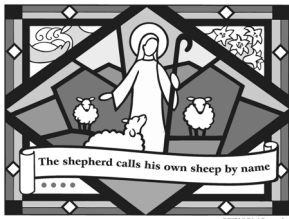
Add \$10 to any ticket available After May 14th. Tickets \$50.00 each!

September 10th - Remembrance of 9/11/01 - Parish Picnic after in the Parish Yard

October 15th - Oktoberfest after Mass in the Church Hall

November 18th - Thanksgiving Outreach Luncheon to the Community

THE CALL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff / that give me courage" (Psalm 23:4) connects this week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism,

carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The fact that many monastic churches do not have a prominent tabernacle shapes the patterns of liturgical prayer. Monastic communities often protect the ancient value of "receiving from the same sacrifice," meaning that the communicants are assured that what they eat and drink in the Holy Mysteries actually comes from the same celebration. It surprises many to learn that the Church does not foresee, nor does it provide for, Communion of the faithful from the reserved Sacrament. Liturgical laws have long defended your right to receive from the same sacrifice, the same Mass, that you attend.

At one time, of course, the bread for the Eucharist was the ordinary bread of the day, except unleavened, probably prepared at home. It was broken and distributed to the faithful. Early on the loaf itself was referred to as the *hostia* in Latin, meaning the "sacrifice," the same word for the sacrificial animal in Jewish worship, and for Jesus as the Lamb of God. By giving his life on the cross, Jesus became the *hostia* for us. To this day in the Greek Church, one of the tasks of the priest's wife is to bake the bread for the Divine Liturgy, sometimes in a bakery oven dedicated to that purpose and called a "Bethlehem."

Today's familiar individual hosts first appeared in the eleventh century at about the time when tabernacles were coming into use. The turn away from "breadly" bread allowed the hosts to be reserved since they did not spoil like regular bread, and made the annual "Easter duty" counts easier.



Pray for Peace in the World, Our City and Our Neighborhood!

May 7, 2017 – St. Bride Church – The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago