

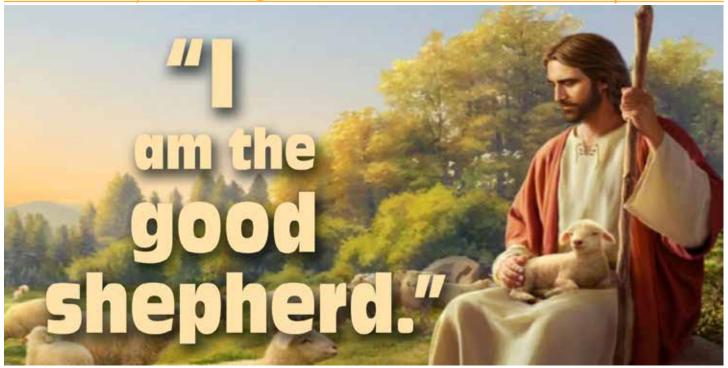
St. Bartholomew Catholic Parish Church and School

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Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year B

April 21, 2024



Prayer for vocations

Loving God, you call all who believe in you to grow perfect in love by following in the footsteps of Christ your Son. Call from among us more men and women who will serve you as religious. By their way of life, may they provide a convincing sign of your Kingdom for the Church and the whole world.



Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our parish to hear the call to serve in the Archdiocese of Miami. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence. Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel, dedicated, holy priests, sisters, brothers and deacons, who will spend themselves for your people and their needs. Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PASTORAL STAFF

Priests

Rev. Andrew Chan-A-Sue

Pastor

Rev. Youry Jules Parochial Vicar

Deacons

Deacon Michel DuChaussée Deacon David Bowen

Religious Education

Mrs. Mercedes Brown

School Principal

Mrs. Christine Gonzalez

School Counselor/

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Mr. Gerard John, LCSW, CCTP

Music Ministry

Mrs. Betty Bunnell Mrs. Monique Abraham Mr. Rodolfo Gramcko Mr. Michael Martinez Mr. Jonathan Gaus

MATRIMONY

Please contact the Rectory at least six months prior to the proposed date.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Rectory at least three months before anticipated date to make arrangements. Baptisms in English are on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11:30 AM.

HOLY EUCHARIST (MASS)

Saturday: 5:00 PM (English)

6:30 PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

French/Créole 1:00 PM

Weekday: 7:00, 8:30 AM

(7 PM - during Lent only)

Saturday: 8:30 AM

First Friday: French/Créole - 7:30 PM

RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturday: **11:00 - 11:30 AM**

4:00 - 4:45 PM

Weekdays: When priests are available.

Anytime by appointment

ROSARY

Weekdays at 7:30 AM (after the 7:00 AM Mass)

CHARISMATIC PRAYER

English

Wednesday, 7:30 PM - Sacred Heart Center French/Créole

Friday, 7:30 PM, School Rm B

LEGION OF MARY

Sunday 11:30 AM, School Rm A (English)



PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome new parishioners to our parish family. Pick up a registration form at the rectory or print one from the website; later you will be invited to learn more about our parish and our many ministries.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

(In the Rectory Chapel) Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:30 AM to 7:30 PM



RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Saturday - 9 AM to 5:00 PM **Sunday - CLOSED**

Pastoral Hispana

Misa en Español - Los Sabados - 6:30 PM El Santo Rosario los Sabados a las 6:00 PM

Confesiones - Los Sábados, 11-11:30 AM; 4:30-5 PM

Bautismos - Para el curso pre-bautismal, llame con TRES MESES de anticipación a la Rectoría. Los Bautismos en Español son los 4° Domingos del mes.

Matrimonio - Llame a la Rectoría lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta.

Legión De María - Se reunen en Salón B en la escuela los sábados a las 4:30 PM. Julia Cisneros 305-928-9097

Coro Hispano - Ensayo los Sabados a las 4:00 PM en la escuela (salón de música) con el Director Mr. Rodolfo Gramcko 305-505-1451



AVIS pour les Membres de la Communauté Haitienne

Messe en Créole / Français

1:00 PM chaque dimanche

7:30 PM chaque premier vendredi du mois

avec Bénédiction du Très Saint

Sacrement

Confession: Samedi 11-11:30 AM, 4:30-5 PM

Visite des malades: Contactez Père Youry au

presbytère de l'église.

Baptême: 2è dimanche du mois à 11:30 AM.

Contactez le Père Youry trois mois avant la date

prévue.

Mariage: Contactez le Père Youry, six mois avant la date prévue.

Prière Charismatique:

Vendredi de 7:30 PM à 10:00 PM (salle B de l'école)

Légion De Marie: Jeudi, de 6:00 à 7:00 PM (à l'école)

Samedi à partir de 4:00 PM (à l'école)

Répétition de Chorale: Samedi de 5:30 à 7:00 PM (salle B de l'école)

La Sainte Famille: Dimanche à 3:00 PM (à l'école)

Eucharist



SUNDAY, APRIL 21 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF **EASTER**

(Sat) 5:00 PM Mentally ill (L) 6:30 PM + Angela Veras

+ Souls in Purgatory

(Sun) 7:30 AM Iderle Pierre-Louis (L)

+ Sheila Silva

+ Perseus Jacildo

10:00 AM + Aroro Diaz

+ Samuel Devonte Wade

1:00 PM Jeff Josma & family (T)

James Daniel (T)

+ Ditermise & Claudius Pluviose

+ Sebastien Cineas

5:00 PM Kamal Mohammed (L)

Peace in the world

Monday, April 22 - Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Mercy Santos & family (T)

8:30 AM Emily Blanchard (L)

Yuka Saint-Hubert (T)

Marie Francesca B. Fils-Aimé (T)

Tuesday, April 23 - Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

7:00 AM Kamal Mohammed (L)

8:30 AM Roaslandnia Dyrosca (T)

+ Margarita Baerga + Ismael Baerga

Wednesday, April 24 - Easter Weekday

7:00 AM + Fr. John Fink

8:30 AM Marlene Jacques (T) Jessy Kannikal (T)

+ Luceda Colin

Thursday, April 25 - Saint Mark, Evangelist

7:00 AM Lucien Metellus & family (L)

8:30 AM Rolo Pierre (T)

Matthew Gousse (L)

+ Aida Echevarria

Friday, April 26 - Easter Weekday

7:00 AM Low Joseph (L) 8:30 AM

Jeff Josma (T)

Michael Gousse (L)

+ Marie Lourdes Louis

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 4/21: Acts 4: 8-12/ Ps 118: 1. 8-9. 21-23.

26. 28. 29 (22)/ 1 Jn 3: 1-2

Jn 10: 11-18

Monday: Acts 11: 1-18/ Ps 42: 2-3; 43: 3-4

In 10: 1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11: 19-26/ Ps 87: 1b-7

In 10: 22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12: 24 -- 13: 5a/ Ps 67: 2-8

Jn 12: 44-50

Thursday: 1 Pt 5: 5b-14/ Ps 89: 2-3. 6-7.

16-17/ Mk 16: 15-20

Friday: Acts 13: 26-33/ Ps 2: 6-7-10-11ab

In 14: 1-6

Acts 13: 44-52/ Ps 98: 1, 2-3ab. Saturday:

3cd-4/ In 14: 7-14

Sunday 4/28: Acts 9: 26-31/ Ps 22: 26-27.

28. 30. 31-32 (26a)/ 1 Jn 3: 18-24

Jn 15: 1-8

Saturday, April 27 - Easter Weekday

8:30 AM Carmelle Joseph (T)

SUNDAY, APRIL 28 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF **EASTER**

(Sat) 5:00 PM Judeline Nelson (L)

> 6:30 PM Mayra Mora (L) Maria Martinez (T)

(Sun) 7:30 AM Mimose & Parnel Saintil (T)

+ Valerio Espoto

+ Manuel Peña

+ Perseus Jacildo

10:00 AM Frantz Dejean (T)

+ Fanny Obas Sam

+ Lynn Renfort

1:00 PM Jeff Josma & family (T)

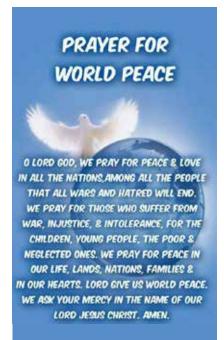
> James Daniel (T) Amelie Adam family (T)

Therese Azor Auguste (T)

5:00 PM Peace in the world



A very heartfelt THANK YOU to all who contributed to the 2023 ABCD. We are happy to announce that we met our goal of \$57, 172. We could not have done it without you. May God bless you for your generosity and love of the poor.



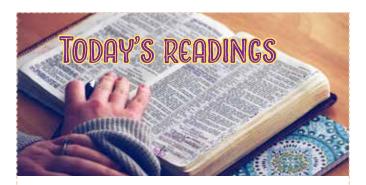


Remember the Departed

Louise Yollande Bernard Jean Hughes Laroche Micheline Corneille

> Victims of hatred and gun violence, War, abortion and natural disasters.

Please use your envelopes or donate online at our website. Our parish needs your support.



First Reading -- There is no salvation through anyone else. Acts 4:8–12
Responsorial Psalm -- "The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone." Psalm 118
Second Reading -- We are God's children now. 1 John 3:1–2
Gospel Reading -- The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. John 10:11–18

Please pray for healing & comfort for the sick and for strength and endurance for all caregivers



Maria Walker Low Joseph Margarita Cano Kamal Mohammed Marie Excellent Lynn Dunne Gifford Silva Candy Larsen Jessi Menendez Chris Dalheim Paul Abraham Bernadette Projecki Devon (Tony) Shaw Mildred Gallagher Marilyn Constantine-Lane Cherry-Ann Edwards Antonio Casas Quincie G. Cajuste Jennifer Evans Gloria Beason Paulo Mendonça Joseph Ewald Marcelin Ashley & Kimar Baker Adriana Rodriguez

Mary-Ann Printy André Paes Cardoso Jairo Frota Busgith Vida Marie Georges Louis Abiah Tiday Lorraine Fuller Patricia Khlon Johnston family Cynthia Horvath Andy Fortune Ryan Rodriguez Pierre St Vil Kaitlyn Lottie Erin Bacon Paulette Scuotto Rain Pierre Jean-Robert Bijoux Kathleen Def-Moreau Jared Def-Moreau Valarie De Freitas Jasmine Springer Joyce Desiato **Jeffrey**

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Today we are reminded that Jesus is the Good Shepherd, committed to caring for his sheep through every danger, difficulty, and trauma. He told his disciples that he would lay down his life for his sheep. Indeed, this is exactly what he did. By laying down his life for our sins, he conquered death and raises us to eternal life with him. Let us allow the risen Lord to guide us to the idyllic pasture of salvation.

On Good Shepherd Sunday, we begin by hearing Peter insist that whatever good he has done is actually the saving work of Jesus Christ. It is by his death and resurrection that we can be healed, that we can be saved. Once rejected, Jesus has become the cornerstone. John asserts that we are all God's children. Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd, who will even lay down his life for his sheep. Let us listen to God's word, grateful that the cornerstone of our faith is our Good Shepherd.

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Collection on: 4/14/24 Third Sunday of Easter

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Rejected Savior

In the reading from Acts, Peter explains to the leaders of Israel how they cured a crippled man. They probably expected Peter to take credit for the cure, so they were waiting for him to hang himself by his words. Peter, of course, gives the credit to Jesus and then makes two important points.

First he calls Jesus the "stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone." This quote from Psalm 118 was used often by the early Christians to show that Jesus was rejected by fellow Jews when he was crucified, but was actually doing God's will when he gave his life on the cross. Thus he became not just a martyr, but the savior of the world. This gave comfort to those who had expected the leaders of Israel to follow Jesus and recognize him as the Messiah. It also told those leaders that they could be forgiven for crucifying Jesus if they would simply repent.

The second point made by Peter was that Jesus is the one and only savior of the world. In those days, the Roman emperor was considered to be a god and was called a savior. Peter says this to the leaders because they had to obey the emperor and his appointed rulers over Israel. While we no longer look to politicians to be saviors, we need to remember that Jesus is **the** Savior: he forgives our sins, shows us how to love God and our neighbors, and hears our prayers. He lives in us to support us when the answer to our prayers is "no." And in the end, he is with us when we die to bring us to eternal life. When we love others (and are loved by others) we experience a taste of God's love. Now the choice is yours: to reject the Savior or make Him the cornerstone of your life.

Tom Schmidt

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are few openings for "Shepherds" in the classified ads today, but few occupations are as dear to the Christian heart. Most of us tenderly place shepherds by our Christmas cribs, name the Twenty-third Psalm as our favorite, and recognize "Good Shepherd" as a title of Jesus. Bishops carry a staff, called a crozier, modeled after the shepherd's walking staff. Long before Christian artists painted Jesus on the cross, they traced on the walls of their worship places images of a strong young shepherd, shouldering a lost sheep and bringing it to safety. Springtime is the season of lambing, a time when the shepherd not only learns the faces of the new arrivals, but also when the newborn sheep become attuned to the voice of the shepherd. This is exactly what we do as a community in Easter as we shelter and guide the newly received Christians, and also put our Lenten muscles to good use: listening more attentively to God's Word, and responding with springtime vigor to God's call.



ABCD

There are so many people who do not have a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus, who do not receive him as the Bread of Life. There is much to be done, many opportunities to announce our Eucharistic faith and the beauty of Catholic teaching. Make a difference now at **isupportABCD.com**



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Stewardship

The more deeply one grows in love for God, the more one grows in heart to see stewardship as a way of life. Stewards see everything good as gifts received from God and they respond in gratitude with the gift of self.

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them." – John 10:11-12

To be good stewards, we must be good shepherds, willing to lay down our lives for those committed to our care, not mere hired hands who run off, "leaving the sheep to be snatched and scattered by the wolf."



Volunteers needed

We still need a couple more volunteers to help out with our expending **MEDIA MINISTRY**. Interested parties will be trained. Teenagers and young adults especially are encouraged to join this ministry. For more information, please call the rectory at 954–431–3600

A representative of Drug
Addicts Anonymous will visit
our parish once more on May
11-12 to speak to us about their
residential program, helping
people who struggle with
addictions. They are counting
on our support to continue
their mission. Please consider a
donation, if possible purchase
a t-shirt or two.

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Florida Bishops Oppose Extreme Abortion Amendment Vote No on Amendment 4

Florida Amendment 4, which will appear on Florida's November 2024 ballot, is an extreme proposal that legalizes full-term abortion with no protections for the preborn child, including when the child is capable of feeling pain. This proposed amendment to our state constitution would prohibit all restrictions on abortion before viability and create a broad exception that any healthcare provider could exploit to allow abortion up to birth.

Furthermore, the amendment would effectively overturn or seriously jeopardize common-sense state laws that have regulated abortion for years. These include basic health and safety requirements for clinics where abortions are performed, requiring a physician to perform abortions, informed consent requirements, laws limiting public funding of abortion, and parental consent requirements before a minor's abortion. These risks demonstrate the extreme nature of the amendment.

We urge all Floridians of goodwill to stand against the legalization of late-term abortion and oppose the abortion amendment. In doing so, we will not only protect the weakest, most innocent, and defenseless of human life among us but also countless women throughout the state from the harms of abortion.

Human life is sacred. The dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision of society. Direct attacks on innocent persons are never morally acceptable, at any stage or in any condition. In our state, human life is repeatedly being destroyed by abortion. Over 84,000 vulnerable and voiceless children were aborted in Florida in 2023.

This matter concerning the respect for human dignity and the fundamental value of human life is of grave importance to both our Church and our state. The threat of abortion remains our pre-eminent public policy priority. Therefore, we support a coordinated campaign to mobilize against the proposed amendment. To this end, we offer this prayer to defeat Amendment 4:



Prayer to Defeat Florida's Abortion Amendment

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

Most Rev. Thomas G. Wenski Archdiocese of Miami

Most Rev. Gregory L. Parkes Diocese of St. Petersburg Most Rev. Gerald M. Barbarito Diocese of Palm Beach

Most Rev. William A. Wack, CSC Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee Most Rev. Frank J. Dewane Diocese of Venice

Most Rev. Erik T. Pohlmeier Mos Diocese of St. Augustine

Most Rev. John G. Noonan Diocese of Orlando

Most Rev. Enrique E. Delgado Archdiocese of Miami

Florida law distinguishes between parental *consent* prior to a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(5) which would be invalidated by Amendment 4 and parental *notice* of a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(4)), which would be retained.

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH - PART ONE - SECTION ONE

MAN'S CAPACITY FOR GOD

I. The Desire for God

27 The desire for God is written in the human heart, because man is created by God and for God; and God never ceases to draw man to himself. Only in God will he find the truth and happiness he never stops searching for:



The dignity of man rests above all on the fact that he is called to communion with God. This invitation to converse with God is addressed to man as soon as he comes into being. For if man exists it is because God has created him through love, and through love continues to hold him in existence. He cannot live fully according to truth unless he freely acknowledges that love and entrusts himself to his creator.

28 In many ways, throughout history down to the present day, men have given expression to their quest for God in their religious beliefs and behavior: in their prayers, sacrifices, rituals, meditations, and so forth. These forms of religious expression, despite the ambiguities they often bring with them, are so universal that one may well call man a religious being:

From one ancestor (God) made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "in him we live and move and have our being."

29 But this "intimate and vital bond of man to God" (GS 19 # 1) can be forgotten, overlooked, or even explicitly rejected by man. Such attitudes can have different causes: revolt against evil in the world; religious ignorance or indifference; the cares and riches of this world; the scandal of bad example on the part of believers; currents of thought hostile to religion; finally, that attitude of sinful man which makes him hide from God out of fear and flee his call.

30 "Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice." Although man can forget God or reject him, He never ceases to call every man to seek him, so as to find life and happiness. But this search for God demands of man every effort of intellect, a sound will, "an upright heart", as well as the witness of others who teach him to seek God.

You are great, O Lord, and greatly to be praised: great is your power and your wisdom is without measure. and man, so small a part of your creation, wants to praise you: this man, though clothed with mortality and bearing the evidence of sin and the proof that you withstand the proud. Despite everything, man, though but a small a part of your creation, wants to praise you. You yourself encourage him to delight in your praise, for you have made us for yourself, and our heart is restless until it rests in you.

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has been serving the community since 1965. As the only Catholic school in Miramar, we strive to provide an environment that continues to innovate while embracing our Catholic faith and leading our students in Service-Learning opportunities.

Believers United in Christ

Open for Admission

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