

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 3, 2020



**SUNDAY OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.** The Fourth Sunday of Easter is often called Good Shepherd Sunday because the Gospel of the day is the story of

Jesus, the Good Shepherd. May we pray that all those that God has called to shepherd his Church may be filled with courage, zeal, devotion and love for the sheep of God's flock.

**TODAY IS THE 57TH WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS.**

In his message to the world, Pope Francis centered on four key words: pain, gratitude, encouragement and praise as he reflected on the gospel passage of Jesus calming the storm. Whether our call, our vocation is to married life, the single life, religious life or the priesthood, there is always risk. It means facing the storms of life, the difficulty, the doubt, the fear. But no matter how challenging our vocation may be, we must always keep our eyes focused on the One who calls us, on our Lord Jesus. We must always have a sense of gratitude that Jesus calls us; that He trusts in us to carry on his mission. He knows life can be tough; life can even be dangerous, but he is always at our side with his words of encouragement, "Take heart, it is. Do not be afraid." If we center only on the difficulties of our vocations, the responsibilities that await us, it's very easy to give up and turn our gaze away from Jesus. But we are called to serve the Lord with gladness. We are called to put our hand into his hand, to find our hope and our joy in God our Savior. No matter what our vocation may be, Jesus must be the rock on which we build our lives of service to Him and to God's people. As Pope Francis says, "May the Church touch the hearts of the faithful and enable each person to discover with gratitude God's call, to find courage to say "yes" to God, to overcome all weariness through faith in Christ, and to make of their lives a song of praise for God, for their brothers and sisters, and the whole world. May the Virgin Mary accompany us and intercede for us."

**PRAYER TO MARY OUR PROTECTOR.** O Mary, Mother of God, as you are above all creatures in heaven and on earth, more glorious than the Cherubim, more noble than any here below, Christ has given you to his people, firm bulwark and protectress, to shield and save sinners who fly to you. Therefore, O Lady, all embracing refuge, we solemnly recall your sweet protection and beg Christ forever for his mercy. Amen.

**TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:**

**"The Lord is my Shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want."**

**Last Sunday's Offering: \$2,845.00**

**Online Giving: \$1,520.19**

**Additional Easter Gifts:** \$200 from M/M Louis Drasler, \$200 from M/M Joseph Omahen, \$50 from M/M Michael D'Alessandro, \$50 from Thomas Strazar, \$50 from Patricia Teulings

**Church Needs:** \$2,000 from Marie Ogrinc; \$500 from Matt & Michelle Plecnik; \$500 from Andrew & Annette Celestina in memory of Miro Celestina & David Celestina; \$100 in memory of Mary Zalar, Betty Kozar, Paula Hauptman & John Kozina from Marie & David Kushner; \$300 anonymous in memory of Matthew Dolenc, Anthony Mihelich, Paula Hauptman & Martina Stepec; \$50 from Jože Tomc & Family in memory of brother, Adolf Tomc

The Following in Memory of Mary Zagar: \$100 from Ron & Alice Zagar, \$25 from Lydia Rydzinski, \$40 from Josephine Sovich

The Following in Memory of Betty Habat Kozar: \$20 from Robert & Joanne Duray, \$50 from the Don Mocnik Family, \$100 from David & Shelley Majsterek, \$50 from Dianne & Bill Neihengen

The Following in Memory of Paula Hauptman: \$50 from Edward & Anna Marie Zalar, \$100 from Robert & Cecelia Kusold, \$50 from Julia Zalar, \$25 from Erik & Mary Ann Krevh, \$25 from Paul & Josephine Hren, \$20 from Tillie Spehar, \$20 from Vida Jakomin

The Following in Memory of Martina Stepec: \$250 from Rick & Sheila Chiricosta, \$100 from Stan & Jamie Zalar, \$75 from Julia Zalar, \$50 from Veronica Petric, \$25 from Kim & Brett Bailey, \$50 from Edward & Kati Cup, \$50 from Tillie Spehar, \$30 from Antonia Lamovec, \$25 from Paul & Josephine Hren, \$20 from Mari Celestina, \$30 from John & Mary Ann Semen, \$30 from Vida Jakomin, \$30 from Marie Lah, \$25 from M/M Mark Celestina, \$100 from Laurie Kastelic, \$50 from Joseph Ovnich

The Following in Memory of John Kozina: \$50 from Michael & Barbara Rowane, \$25 from Robert & Cecelia Kusold, \$25 from Dale & Cynthia Smythe, \$50 from Stan & Jamie Zalar, \$20 from Tillie Spehar, \$50 from M/M Edward Gobetz

**Pew Refurbishing:** \$100 from Andrej & Pamela Lah

**Your generosity to the Parish is appreciated!**

**DID YOU KNOW THAT THE FEAST OF ST. FLORIAN IS MAY 4TH?**

Florian was an officer of the Roman army in Noricum (present-day Austria). During the persecution of Christians under the Emperor Diocletian, he surrendered to the troops of the governor Aquilinus in Lorch. He was twice scourged, half-flayed alive and finally thrown into the River Enns with a huge stone tied around his neck in 304 A.D. His body was recovered by a pious woman and was eventually buried in the Augustinian Abbey of St. Florian in Linz, Austria. He is venerated as a protector from fire or water, and is thus the patron saint of firefighters. Throughout Central Europe (including Austria and Slovenia), you will often see a painting of St. Florian on the exterior wall of the firehouse, pouring water over a burning building.

## Mass Intentions

### Masses for the Week of May 4-10, 2020

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>(5/4) EASTER WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Deceased Members of Gorshe & Nemeč Families (Family)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>(5/5) EASTER WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Jennie, John & Marge Potocnik and Mary Guzeli (Dorothy & Diane Hodnichak)
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>(5/6) EASTER WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Deceased Relatives of Nemeč & Kutnjak Families (Knez Family)
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>(5/7) EASTER WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Justina Kanalec (Ann Kosir)
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>(5/8) EASTER WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Parishioners
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>(5/9) EASTER WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Frank & Angie Fujs (Sestra, Francka in družina)
	5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of Penko & March Families (Larry Penko)
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>(5/10) FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>
8:00 a.m.	Lillian Frederico (Bob & Sue Frederico & Family)
10:00 a.m.	Evarist Lesica (Family)
12:00 noon	Stanley Skrbis (Wife, Maria & Family)

**Please Pray for Our Sick:** Fr. Willliam Jerse, Chris Chermely, Josephine Strle, Robert Klancher

**O presveta Dekla in Mati večne Besede**, ti, ki si po materinstvu devica in po devištvi mati, sprejmi v svoje ljubeznivo naročje ljudstvo, ki to išče. Usmiljena, vodi na pašo čredo, ki jo je tvoj Sin odkupil s svojo krvjo; pripravi hrano njim, ko bodo še ustvarjeni, ti, ki si hranila Stvarnika, nje, ki vdano klečijo pred teboj, povelčaj za pobožno izkazano spoštovanje; mi, ki z veseljem nosimo prijetni jarem tvojega kraljevskega dostojanstva, čutimo, kako nas varuješ in braniš. Vsi tisti, ki na tak način slavijo tvoje brezmadežno spočetje, naj vedno živijo kot tvoji podložniki o Kraljica, in naj nekoč, očitno živijo očiščeni vsakega greha, pridejo k Njemu, za čigar Mater te z vernim srcem kličejo. Ohrani v svoji ljubezni, dokler živimo v času, da nas bo On, ki si ga rodila, imel v posesti za vso večnost.



### DANES JE 4. VELIKONOČNA NEDELJA.

**NEDELJA DOBREGA PASTIRJA.** Četrta Velikonočna nedelja je velikokrat imenovana Nedelja Dobrega Pastirja, zato ker v Evangeliju danes je pripoved o Jezusu, Dobrem Pastirju. Molimo danes za vse tiste, katere je Bog poklical da pasejo njegovo Cerkev, naj bodo polni poguma, gorečnosti, vdanosti in ljubezni za ovce Božje črede.

**DANES JE 57. SVETOVNI DAN MOLITVE ZA POKLICE.** V njegovem sporočilu svetu je papež Frančišek osredotočil na štiri besede: bolečina, hvaležnost, spodbuda in slava, ko on razmišlja Evangelijev odlomek o Jezusu, ki pomiri nevihto. Bodisi, da je naš poklic v zakonsko življenje, samsko življenje redovno ali duhovno življenje je vedno tvegano. To pomeni soočenje z nevihtami življenja, težavami, dvomi in strahom. Ne glede kako izzivalen je naš poklic mi moramo držati naše oči obrnjene na Njega, ki nas kliče, na našega Gospoda Jezusa. Mi moramo vedno imeti občutek hvaležnosti, da nas Jezus kliče, ker On zaupa v nas, da bomo nosili naprej njegovo poslanstvo. On ve da življenje ni vedno lahko; življenje je tudi nevarno, toda On je vedno na naši strani z njegovimi besedami spodbude, "Pogum, jaz sem! Ne bojte se!" Če mi gledamo samo na težave našega poklica, na odgovornosti ki nas čakajo je zelo lahko opustiti in obrniti naš pogled stran od Jezusa. Toda mi smo poklicani da služimo Bogu z veseljem. Poklicani smo, da damo roko v njegovo roko, da najdemo naše upanje in našo radost v Bogu našem Odrešeniku. Ne glede, kakšen je naš poklic, Jezus mota biti skala na katero mi gradimo naše življenje služenja Njemu in Božjemu ljudstvu. Kot pravi papež Frančišek, "Naj Cerkev dotakne srca vernikov in usposobi vsako osebo da odkrije s hvaležnostjo Božji klic, da najde pogum reči "DA" Bogu, da premaga vso utrujenost po veri v Kristusa in naredi svoje življenje pesem hvale za Boga, za svoje brate in sestre in za celi svet. Naj Devica Marija spremlja nas in prosi za nas."

**ALI STE VEDELI, DA JE GOD SV. FLORIJANA 4. MAJA?** Florijan je bil oficir Rimske armade v Noricum (sedaj Avstrija), Med preganjanjem kristjanov pod cesarjem Dioklecijanom, on se je vdal vojski voditelja Akulinisa v Lorču. Bil je dvakrat bičan in napol- odret iz kože, potem vržen v reko Enns z velikim kamnom privezanem okrog vratu v 304 A.D. Njegovo truplo je našla pobožna žena in je bil končno pokopan v Avguštinski Opatiji Sv. Florijana v Linzu, Avstrija. On je zaščitnik pred ognjem in vodo in je zavetnik gasilcev. V Srednji Evropi (tudi Avstriji in Sloveniji) boste velikokrat videli sliko Sv. Florijana na zunanji steni gasilskega doma, ki zliva vodo na gorečo hišo.

**ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:  
GOSPOD JE MOJ PASTIR, NIČ MI NE MANJKA.2d**