

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

*"I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."*

— Acts 13:47b



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### SHEPHERDS LIKE JESUS

Each year this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrates Jesus the Good Shepherd. Today's Gospel seems especially timely, for as Christians worldwide suffer persecution like Paul and Barnabas, Jesus promises his sheep enduring, invincible safety: "They shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." But we who are free to live our faith peacefully sometimes take our membership in Jesus' flock for granted, wandering astray to seek our own pleasure and prosperity. The simple cross that Pope Francis always wears seems to show us how Jesus responds to that. Francis's cross features an image of Jesus, who has sought and found a lost sheep, then joyfully set it on his shoulders to carry it gently home. May Good Shepherd Sunday inspire us, so often lost and found ourselves, to assist Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home our fellow precious lambs.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

**Psalm** — We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

**Second Reading** — I had a vision of a great multitude

(Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

**Gospel** — My sheep hear my voice; I know them and give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

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## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>May 13</b> † Manuel Scerri
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>May 14</b> † Joseph I. Bosso
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am 7:00 pm	<b>May 15</b> Communal Service Souls in Purgatory
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>May 16</b> † Inez B. Martin
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>May 17</b> † Ronald Vannucchi
<b>Saturday</b> 8:00 am 4:30 pm	<b>May 18</b> † Mary O'Sullivan † Tina, † Emilia and † Pierina Delfino
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	<b>May 19</b> People of the Parish † Michelle Gemignani Maltese Society

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

For any available Masses listed above please see the priest before Mass with your written intention and stipend.

### Sunday Collection May 5, 2019

<b>Weekly Need:</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 3,832.00</b>
<b>Over/Under</b>	<b>\$ 1,168.00</b>
<b>Religious Education</b>	<b>\$ 978.00</b>

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the "memo" section of the check.

This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**



*Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.*

*Proverbs 31:31*

On Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> at the 11:30 am Mass there will be the presentation of the newly confirmed, who were confirmed on May 4<sup>th</sup> St. Mary's Cathedral. All are welcome to attend.

On May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> the second collection will be for Catholic Communications Campaign. Please use the envelopes found in the pews.

### Flores De Mayo

Please join us in celebrating the Flores De Mayo on Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup> at the 11:30 am Mass. Celebration starts with the Holy Rosary at the grotto site at 11:00 am followed by Mass in the Church at 11:30 am. Everyone is invited to attend. Please bring flowers for the crowing of Mary. A reception will follow after the Mass in Cantwell Hall.

### ROSARY

On Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> after the 8 am Mass until 3:30 pm: A day of **Prayer**, (1000 Hail Mary's). **Adoration and Benediction** in the rectory.

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

The 2020 Mass book currently is **not available**. We are **not** accepting requests at this time. Any 2020 Mass requests we receive now will be returned to you. We will notify you in the bulletin when the book becomes available. **Please be sure your 2019 Masses have been paid before requesting additional Masses.**



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