

MAY 3  
2020



FOURTH  
SUNDAY OF

# Easter

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

PSALM 23:1

Today's readings invite us to recognize our need for one who ensures our safety, nourishes us, and leads us to peace and security, like sheep who rest in the care of a good shepherd. Such a shepherd will protect and save the sheep, even from the most deadly of predators. Today, we ponder the incredible news that Jesus accepted death on the cross in

order to open the gates of eternal life with God for us. Through his resurrection, Jesus protects and saves us from the power of sin and death. We need only accept his love and live as God's people in this life, relying on the Lord who is the door to new life for us and for all.

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**4TH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER  
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### **Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, May 3, 2020 – 9:00 am - LIVE STREAM – VIEW ON-LINE**  
**Monday, May 4, 2020 – 8:00 am – VIEW ON-LINE**  
**Tuesday, May 5, 2020 – 8:00 am – VIEW ON-LINE**  
**Wednesday, May 6, 2020 – 8:00 am – VIEW ON LINE**  
**Thursday, May 7, 2020 - 8:00 am VIEW ON-LINE**  
**Friday, May 8, 2020 - 8:00 am - VIEW ON-LINE**  
**Sunday, May 10, 2020 – 9:00 am – LIVE STREAM – VIEW ON-LINE**



Father Sebastian celebrates daily Mass, privately, at St. Rose at 8:00am. Mass is video taped and posted on our Facebook profile (St. Patrick Church of Wilton Center) immediately after; and also put on our website. All Mass intentions that were scheduled will be re-scheduled when the “shelter in place” mandate has been lifted.

### **STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

For the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, the weekly  
Sunday collection goal is \$2,090.37

Sunday, April 26.....\$855.00  
Easter.....\$100.00

**Thank you for your support of our Parish.**

During this time of crisis and uncertainty, St. Patrick Parish depends on offertory donations for ongoing expenses. We encourage you to visit our parish website to set up online giving, if you have not already done so. For those of you have signed up for “On Line Giving” Thank you. Our parish website can be found at: [www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org](http://www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org) - to sign up for on-line giving follow the online giving link. Online Giving is simple, convenient, and secure. *Thank you*





**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY**  
(Offer these prayers at 3:00pm if possible)

**ON ROSARY BEADS, BEGIN:**

Our Father, Hail Mary, the Creed.

**ON THE OUR FATHER BEADS, PRAY:**

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

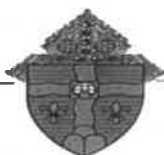
**ON THE HAIL MARY BEADS, PRAY:**

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

**IN CONCLUSION, PRAY THREE TIMES:**

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

The Catholic Cemeteries  
*Of the Diocese of Joliet*



Due to uncertainty over COVID-19 limitations on large group gatherings, The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Joliet is canceling all Memorial Day Masses in its jurisdiction, at all its Catholic Cemetery locations, for Memorial Day, Monday May 25, 2020 due to coronavirus concerns.

The decision to cancel the May 25 Memorial Day mass was not made lightly, but out of an abundance of concern for the health of our community, veterans, attendees and staff along with the optics of planning considerations amid the uncertainty, left us with no other choice at this time.

Our administration and staff continue to maintain our sacred buildings and grounds in a manner befitting a people who believe in the resurrection of the dead. And we lovingly pray for and bury all those who are entrusted to our care.

At this time, our beautiful grounds and buildings remain open to visitors who wish to visit, pray, reflect, and even talk a walk.

As an essential business, our offices remain open, however with limited hours. If you wish to meet with a cemetery representative, please call and schedule an appointment.

Our sacred Grounds are open from sunrise to sunset. Mausoleum chapels are open for prayer every day from 9:00am until 3:00 pm.

Let us hope and pray for an end to these tragic times when we can resume our cherished traditions of faith with renewed joy and deeper peace.

May the Lord bless you, and may the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Sincerely,  
Michael J. Hackiewics  
Executive Director of Cemeteries

Eric M. Holloway  
Director of Cemeteries.



***Please Participate!***  
***Your Gift Makes a Difference!***

Parish Goal:	\$ 10,200.00
Amount Pledged:	\$ 10,432.00
Amount Paid:	\$ 7,757.00
2020 Rebate	\$ 00.00

Thank you for your generous response.



With our shelter-in-place mandate still in effect you can make a Spiritual Communion whenever and wherever you'd like, using the prayer given below.

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.** (composed by St. Alphonsus Liguori)

You need to approach Him with sincerity, humility and a desire to follow in His footsteps in acts of faith and charity. And He's delighted when we do so! The Baltimore Catechism notes that a Spiritual Communion "is an act of devotion, and one very pleasing to God."

We are operating on a very small scale; the only way Father Sebastian has to contact you, his parishioners, quickly is through e-mail. Please make sure we have your correct e-mail address. You can just e-mail the office at [stpatrickwilton@aol.com](mailto:stpatrickwilton@aol.com) to add it. Thank you

Father Sebastian exposes the Blessed Sacrament, after daily Mass at St. Rose, in the parking lot inside the glass doors from 8:30am until 9:00pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed at 3:00pm with parishioners in their cars, or pray this chaplet in your home.



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marge Flint; Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernhard, Cecelia Mundt; Fr. Jim Lennon; Gary Uman; Jessica Lagan; EJ Lagan; Nicole Flint; Brett Burkhalter ; Cathy Engler; Grace Niemiec; Russ McClellon; Bob Johnson ; Fr. Steve Bondi; Steve Niemiec; Liz Brooks

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PUT ON THE PRAYER LIST.

## Intention of the Holy Father MONTH OF MAY

- We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

If you or a loved one would like to be put on the prayer list because of illness, rehab, or living at a health care center please let the office know. If there is an emergency and you need a priest, Fr. Sebastian will be available and can be reached at : 1(815) 478-3440 ex. 102 or 815-476-7491 and then press 1.



May  
Month of Mary

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK May 3, 2020



- 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 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-  
19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

- Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter;  
World Day of Prayer for  
Vocations
- Tuesday: Cinco de Mayo
- Thursday: National Day of Prayer

We have a small group of volunteers willing to help get groceries, medications, etc. Or if you need financial assistance there are limited funds available. Please call the parish office and leave a message for Linda.

## COUNTING SHEEP

When at night you cannot sleep,  
talk to the Shepherd and  
stop counting sheep. – Anonymous

## GOOD NEWS!



When Peter faced the crowds on Pentecost, he was emboldened by the Holy Spirit and proclaimed the truth of Jesus Christ passionately to those who gathered to hear him. There was likely part of him that was not quite sure what to expect, knowing that a few weeks prior, crowds of people had chanted "Crucify him!" as Jesus was sentenced to a cruel and unjust death. The people who heard Peter were moved by his witness, compelled to acknowledge their sinfulness and to accept the news of salvation through Jesus Christ as good news, the gospel that changes everything.

## JESUS SAVES

Be honest with yourself. Have you ever gone astray? Have you ever given in to temptation or weakness? Do you sometimes feel that you need someone to help you get your life on back on track? Most people could answer yes to any of these questions. As people of faith, we know that Jesus understands the struggles we face and gave his life to save us from our human frailty. The Lord knows that we need help in order to live as God's people in the world. There are people and powers that seek to mislead us, who offer a way that may for a time be appealing, even though it does not lead to the true way of life, love, and peace. We can be readily dissuaded and distracted from the ways of holiness. We easily lose our way, lured by the trappings of material possessions, wealth, or social status. Jesus is our only real way, the door that leads to meaning and peace in this earthly time, and to life everlasting.

Today's Readings: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

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