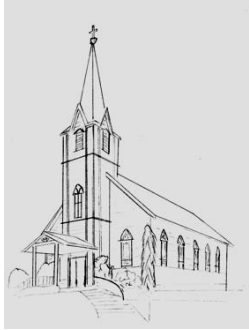


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Saturday, 4:30 pm; Sunday 10:00 am

April 28th, 2024

Padre's Portion..... I was so bummed I was sick for this past weekend. I so enjoy sharing the Good Shepherd Story. So not wanting to waste as I had it done by Friday night, I split it into two parts over the next 2 weekends. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did creating it for you.

The Good Shepherd story probably would play better in Jesus' time than now, but it is a great parable given to us to know Jesus.

Now as you know from my stories at Christmas, the shepherds were the riff-raff of Jerusalem. They were not living in the city, they were in the country and they spent almost their whole life in the country. And, of course, their only job was to take care of sheep, so they didn't need to know how to read and write.

They were kind of a tough crowd, because for the governments, they were not allowed to appear in court as witnesses, because everybody knows the shepherds are liars, stupid and dumb, and it goes on and on, unfortunately it's just the same today.

And the wonder of our God and the wonder of his son Jesus is, He picks them, the shepherds, the lowliest of the low, the crummiest of the crummy — BUT the ones who go and lay their lives down for their sheep.

Now I'm sure you remember, in every sheepfold, there would be a circle of bricks and a wall that would keep the sheep safe at night and the shepherds would herd them in there.

There was one part, which was about five feet long that was an opening that anybody could come in, except that that's where the shepherd actually slept. They would lay down in the opening and they would know that every wolf or person coming to steal the sheep or anything dangerous would first have to step over their body in order to get to the sheep. And, for that reason, I think they must have felt very close to their sheep, because if you're willing to lay your life down for anything, you really are something special.

So this weekend we celebrated Good Shepherd Sunday. These poor little guys had to spend weeks away from home, because the shepherds followed wherever there was food, wherever the grass was green. And so they were seldom at home. And one of the wonderful things, of course, is they were wide awake when the angels came and told them a Savior was being born in Bethlehem, and the shepherds were the first guests to see Jesus the Messiah. God is full of these wonders. WOW!

We should remember them and not dress them up too nicely and remember them as they were. For a shepherd was a man that no one would have in their house. Certainly a daughter would never marry a shepherd. And yet here they were the witnesses, so much so that Jesus says, in the one idea to talk about caring and loving and being close to people and forgiving and all of this, and he says, "I am the Good Shepherd." That's it.

The second thing he says to us this weekend is that, "There are many people that I am waiting for that will come." ***I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.*** The sheep know the voice of the shepherd. I've personally seen where a herd of sheep separate from one another by the sound of the voice of the shepherd who hollers. No one else do the sheep respond to. God Himself will be the Shepherd of our flock and it will be His voice, they will follow. And we are members of that flock and everybody in this world has a right to call themselves one with the flock of God.

And so we should, when we kind of talk to each other and get to know each other, we should remember that everybody is marked by Jesus, marked by Jesus as one of his flock and that he dies for them.

I was so bummed when I wasn't able to come to the Spaghetti Dinner last Saturday night. Not part of my plan to get sick. But I heard it was a tremendous evening with filled tables, good food, and lots of Fellowship. Thank you to the Men's Club who spearheaded this dinner for the second time and thanks to all their support help. These celebrations are all about the beauty of our Community. Thank you and blessings on all who came and all who helped make it happen. FB

Mass Intentions for April 27th – May 5th

Sat, April 27 th	4:30 pm	Parishioners	Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 (56B)
Sun, April 28 th	10:00 am	Mike & Sue Gates – 30 th Anniversary	1 John 4:7-10
Wed, May 1 st	11:00 am	The Arrigotti Family – The Adler Family	John 15:9-17
Thurs, May 2 nd	11:00 am	Father Mike Gilson - Parishioner	
Fri, May 3 rd	11:00 am	+Lynne Wehrman – The Adler Family	
Sat, May 4 th	4:30 pm	Our 8 Confirmandi	
Sun, May 5 th	10:00 am	Our 7 First Communicants	

Sixth Sunday of Easter**This week at Sacred Heart**

Tuesday	RE Class @ 4:15pm
Wednesday	Mass at 11:00am , Rosary precedes Mass at 10:40am. Scripture Study after 11am Mass in the Fellowship Hall.
Thursday	Mass at 11:00am , Rosary precedes Mass at 10:40am.
Friday	Mass at 11:00am , Rosary precedes Mass at 10:40am.
Saturday	Confirmation Mass at 4:30pm . Join us after Mass in the fellowship Hall for Lasagna dinner to honor our Confirmandi.
Sunday	First Communion Sunday Mass and Crowning of Mary at 10am. Join us for in the Fellowship Hall afterwards for a reception to honor our First Communicants.

Next weekend we have many wonderful celebrations! Join us Saturday for Confirmation at our 4:30pm Mass as we welcome our confirmandi, Elias Wisdom, William Brennan, Jack Wieland, Gianni Day, Dayanar Day, Abby Mogil, Sophie Jackson and Tim Scherler and a lasagna dinner after. Then on Sunday at our 10am Mass we celebrate seven of our youth, Gregor Grochowsky, Fenton Jones, Amélie Richard, Ramona Richard, Evie Rozzell, Claire Ruckwardt and Camden Strand for their First Communion with a reception to follow. And finally the children in the parish who wish to join will lead the Crowning of Mary procession at the beginning of Mass. Contact Jennifer Anderson at j.anderson@sacredheartportland.org if your child would like to participate.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came out to support the Men's Club Spaghetti Dinner. It was a huge success. We brought in close to \$3,000 for the halls maintenance fund.

I want to especially thank Margaret for her leadership and support, her time and dedication to the dinner helped it be successful. To Marc Battilega, who took the time to help us and his brother Frank plan and make the dinner. To Sue and Theresa Rivelli and the delicious desserts they made and for their time and talent, it is greatly appreciated. To all the volunteers, from the kitchen staff, the serving staff, dishwashers, hostesses, and the cleanup crew, we could not have pulled this off, without you. If I have forgotten anyone I apologize please know that your support and hard-work is appreciated. We are all blessed to be a part of such a fantastic community. Thank you, we will see you next year. Jeff Delegato, Men's Club President

Archbishop's Catholic Appeal

Please give to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal! The ACA funds the programs that bring the Word of Jesus Christ to the people of Western Oregon and allows us to minister to our Catholic community. Please visit JesusChangesEverything.church, or call (503) 233-8336 and give today.

Catholic Charities 2024 Annual Appeal is next weekend, Envelopes are in the back of church to help fund the wonderful work that Catholic Charities does for the less fortunate.

Ministry Schedule for the weekend of May 4th & May 5th

Greeters	Carol Miner & Rob Kappa	Diane Boland & Karen Siri
Lectors	Confirmandi	First Communicants
Cups	Duane Erland & Sue Rivelli	Diane Boland & Joyce LaBarre
Altar Server	Anthony Rivelli	Clayton Stacey
Ushers	Hyginus Igwe & Joe Rivelli	Scott & Ezra Tracy
Coffee & Donuts	NA	Dale & Lisa Hodge
Sacristan	Laura Mae McCuin	Margaret Barilko

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