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## Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2013

*"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*

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 21**

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM John Morrash

#### **MONDAY, APRIL 22**

9:00 AM Irene Matussek

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 23**

9:00 AM Grace Kern

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24**

9:00 AM Neil Mazzie Sr.

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

9:00 AM Merry Gotto

#### **FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

9:00 AM Gina Melito

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

**9:30 AM First Holy Communion**

4:30 PM Special Intention- Father Tamburro

39<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 28**

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Living Members of the Council of Catholic Women

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**SANCTUARY CANDLE THIS WEEK:** Special Intention of Shirley Erschen requested by Rose Mattive.

**PEACE CANDLE:** In memory of Rudy Chiki requested by Mary Belinsky

**RESURRECTION CANDLE:** Special Intention of Rose Mattive.

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE:** In honor of George Dudasko's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday requested by his family.

**THE ALTAR BREADS AND ALTAR WINE** that will be consecrated at all our Masses this week are in memory of William "Bill" Decker given by his wife, Jean.

**WE WELCOME** Trixie Mary Chamdet who was baptized here recently. God's blessing on this little one.

**OUR PRAYERS & SYMPATHY** to the family of Mickey Franczak and the family of Kathleen Olah. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.



If you or a loved one is sick or in need of prayer, please call  
Rose Yalch at 752-2363 or  
Ann Samsel at 752-7309.

Your request will be passed on to the rest of the Bible Study Group.

### **PARISH SUPPORT**

April 14 offering

Adults \$4645.00

Youth 15.00

Loose 365.00

Total \$5025.00

The additional offering next week will be a diocesan collection for **Catholic Home Missions**.

Profit Fish Dinners: \$21,114.82

**The Catholic Home Missions Appeal works to support home mission dioceses in the United States by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses. Often home mission priests and lay ministers require special training to attend to the unique needs of their faith communities. Your support is needed. Please help strengthen the Church at home by making a generous gift to next week's Appeal.**

### PARISH DATEBOOK

#### MONDAY, APRIL 22

**BIBLE STUDY /SHARING:** 7:00 PM in the meeting room.

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 26

**BLUE ARMY HOLY HOUR:** 8:00 AM.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 27

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AT 9:30 AM.**

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 28

**CCD CLASSES IN SESSION** 10:40 AM to 11:50 AM.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER TAMBURRO AS HE CELEBRATES THE 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION ON SATURDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>**

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD

### Next Sunday, April 28

#### **Saturday, 4:30 PM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Belford, Monatesti, Dante  
 Lector: Stephens  
 Altar Servers: 2  
 Greeters: Kubitsky

#### **Sunday, 7:30 AM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Troiani, Curry, Wolfe  
 Lector: Troiani  
 Altar Servers: 3  
 Greeters: M & B Samsel

#### **Sunday, 9:30 AM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Marston, Eroh, Yalch  
 Lector: Kalie  
 Altar Servers: 1  
 Greeters: P & J Kachurka

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### **MOTHER-CHILD BREAKFAST**

Sponsored by CCW will be held Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30 AM Mass in the parish center. Tickets are \$9.00 must be paid in advance. Tickets will be sold after Masses April 13-14 and April

20-21 or by calling Diane DeLuca at 759-3643 or Peg DiFebo at 759-2139.

### **The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women**

**is offering a \$1000 scholarship** to a Catholic Senior Girl for her freshman year at an accredited college, university, or trade school. She must be sponsored by a Mother or Grandmother/Guardian who is an active member of a Parish Council of Catholic Women for no less than one year, be a resident of the Harrisburg Diocese, and must meet all conditions established by the Scholarship committee as set forth in its rules and regulations. **Deadline for submitting applications is Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.** If you would like to apply, please contact Joyce Scott, Scholarship Chair at 717-737-0927.

### **LEGACY**

We want to give our children what we didn't have; but let's make sure we give them what we did have: our faith.

—Anonymous

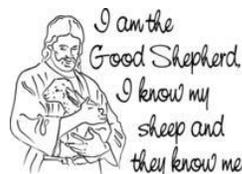


*From the Pastor's Desk*

**In keeping with diocesan policy, I will be calling all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to renew their mandate. Training sessions will be offered throughout the Harrisburg Diocese.**

**Thank you.**

**Father Tamburro**



### **THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

The Good Shepherd not only knows us but has given his life for us. We belong to the Shepherd. His life is the source of our life. One part of this relationship is firm—God's part. The Father has entrusted us to the Son, and the Son will not let go of our hand.

The other part of this relationship depends on us, of course. In today's Gospel, Jesus assumes our open-hearted good will. "My sheep hear my voice . . . and they follow me." This hearing and following is a daily undertaking that implies responsibility. Take Paul and Barnabas, for example. They moved ever closer to the reality that salvation was also meant for those members of the flock who did not yet know God's saving power. The Gentiles were the sheep known by the Shepherd. Paul could finally see that now was the acceptable time for them to know the Shepherd. Now the circle could be completed. Finally, those who were known and loved by the God of Jesus could know and follow the God of Jesus. There will never be a last chapter to this story of salvation.



### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

The reception of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass is such an expected feature of the Mass these days that it is surprising to realize that for many centuries, receiving Communion was a relatively rare event in the life of a faithful Christian. "Easter duty" means that Catholics must celebrate reconciliation if aware of serious sin, and receive Holy Communion during the Easter season. For a while, this was a requirement of Easter week, and later extended to the whole season of fifty days, and even beyond that by a few weeks. For the majority of people long ago, this meant Communion was a once-a-year moment. A rather complex bureaucracy grew up around this rule in the Middle Ages. Amazingly, people received a kind of token at confession admitting them to Communion in their home parish, which then kept careful records and reported them to the bishop.

Surviving records can tell us a great deal about our ancestors. In fact, people were encouraged to journey to the church of their baptism in order to fulfill their duty, and therefore the Easter duty includes in its origins a grateful pilgrimage to the font in which you were first embraced by Christ. If your "Holy Mother Church" is within a drive, why not make a pilgrimage to that font be a feature of your Easter celebration of these fifty days?