

Calendar

Monday

May 8

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1–18

Jn 10:11–18

Tuesday

May 9

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:19–26

Jn 10:22–30

Wednesday

May 10

Easter Weekday

Acts 12:24–13:5a

Jn 12:44–50

Thursday

May 11

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:13–25

Jn 13:16–20

Friday

May 12

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26–33

Jn 14:1–6

Saturday

May 13

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:44–52

Jn 14:7–14

Sunday

May 14

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1–7

1 Pt 2:4–9

Jn 14:1–12

Dear Padre,

If I still attend Mass, may I work or shop on Sundays?

When I lived in Brazil, everything was closed on Sunday except a few restaurants. As a result, it was a day families could spend together. Even in our own country, some places have shortened hours on Sundays or are closed altogether, like banks and car dealerships.

For many of us, shopping is a way of resting. We go to the store and browse, stop at the mall, or see a movie. The *Catechism* doesn't go so far as to say we can't shop on Sundays. It tells us, "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are to refrain from engaging in work or activities that hinder the worship owed to God, the joy proper to the Lord's Day, the performance of the works of mercy, and the appropriate relaxation of mind and body" (CCC 2185).

However, many people have to work on Sundays. Even if we are resting by shopping or going out on Sundays, we are forcing other people to work. If we all made the choice to not shop or go out on Sundays, with the exception of emergency needs, Sundays could truly become a day of rest for all people, as it is intended to be.

So yes, you may shop on a Sunday, but I would encourage you to spend the day doing things that keep the whole day holy, not just the hour you're at Mass.



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A Word From Pope Francis

"[The] people followed Jesus because he was the good shepherd. He wasn't a casuistic and moralistic Pharisee... nor a contemplative from a monastery. He was a shepherd. [He] spoke the language of his people, he made himself understood, he spoke the truth, the matters of God."

—Morning meditation, June 26, 2015



4th Sunday Of Easter

May 7, 2017



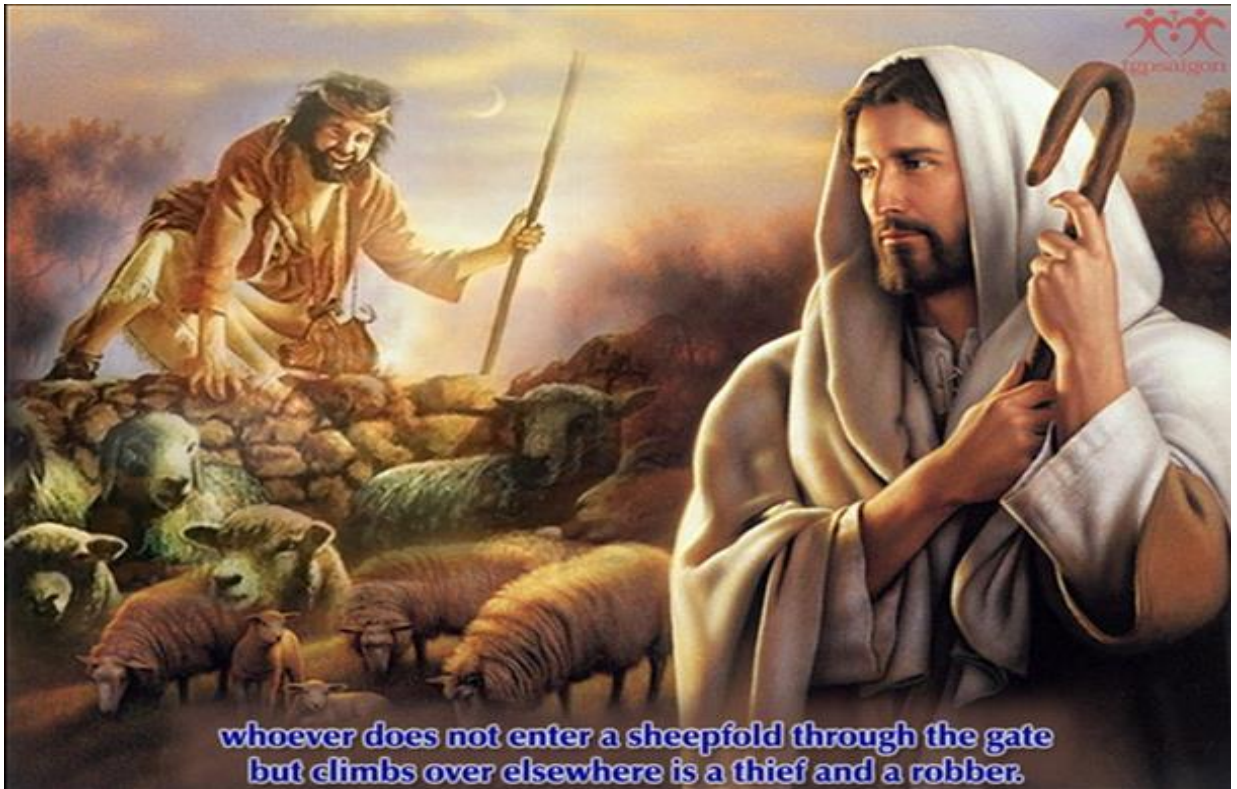
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m.
**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am +Maria
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5 pm Our Parish Family
9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00am Spec int (Bootz)
Tues 8:00 am Benefactors
Wed 6:00 pm +Maria
Thu 8:00 am +Edna Brignac
Fri 8:00 am Spec Int

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

“I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.”

Jesus presents himself as the gate, i.e. gatekeeper in this Sunday's gospel. In other parts of the gospel he presents himself as the Good Shepherd. So which is he, gatekeeper or shepherd. He is both.

When shepherds were out in the country and hills with their sheep they needed to find shelter and security overnight so they could rest with the assurance that their sheep will be protected from robbers, thieves and wild animals. They worked this situation as a team of shepherds, each with their own flock.

Out in the fields there were situated fenced in areas, usually with stone. Planted on top of the stone walls were thorn bushes and the like to make it difficult for anyone to climb over the wall. It is here that shepherds out in the field would bring their flocks during the night. So, any one night could have a number of shepherds using one protected area to keep their sheep overnight. This stoned/fenced in area of course had a gate through which the sheep were brought in at night and out in the morning.

During the night one of the shepherds would sit at the gate protecting the sheep from any threat. No one could get to the sheep without going past the shepherd guarding them. When Jesus refers to himself as the Good Shepherd and the gate/

gatekeeper he is one and the same person. So Jesus is not only the Good Shepherd who leads us through life. He also guards us during times of rest. He is with us 24/7.

May God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

Next weekend is the Special Diocesan Collection for the *Basilica of the National Shrine of Immaculate Conception.*

Knights of Columbus: No meeting this Sunday. The KC will have the coffee and cake after the mass next Sunday, May 14, after 9am mass to honor the mothers. For more info, please contact Thomas Moran 228-234-2572.

First Communion – is this Sunday May 7^d

Baccalaureate Mass... will be celebrated **next Saturday, May 13, 2017**

Parish Council: meets **next Saturday.**

Garage Sale: will be **this Saturday May 6 and next Saturday May 13.** Please contact **Beverly and Loretta.** Thank you.

Altar Society: Meet on second Sundays. Please contact **Lennell King.**

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

75Identifiable: **\$1,414.00**; Loose: **\$630.00**;
Total: **\$2,044.00**; Children: **\$17.03**; Home
Mission: **\$119.00.**

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Identifiable: **\$145.00**; Loose: **\$315.00**; Total:
\$460.00

****Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**
Thank you for your generosity.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat May 06 5pm	Lanny Acosta	Kermit Northrop, Rita Acosta, Diane Northrop	Austin S.	Dale Babin Ira Necaize	Ann Shaw
Sun May 07 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun May 07 9am	1 st Communion Class	Valerie Ladner, Marlow Ladner, Lisa Cuevas	Will Nick	Robert Will Burke	1 st Communion Class
Sat May 13 5pm	Graduation Class	WC King, Lennell King, Kay Van Pelt	Austin S.	August Kermit	Graduation Class
Sun May 14 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun May 14 9am	Kathyn Ladner	Will Burke, Kim Wood, Susan Peleaz	Carson Keegan	Robert Will Burke	Palmer family

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Prayer for all Mothers: O almighty and eternal God, Lord of both the living and the dead, Your tender mercy embraces all men foreknown to be Yours by faith and a good life. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary our Mother, and of all the saints, grant Your merciful pardon to all mothers for whom we pray, whether they still are living in this world or have departed from this flesh into the world to come. Especially, dear Lord, grant the requests I now make of You for my own beloved mother.

Updating Address and Phone Number: Please fill out the index card about your phone and address so we can update your file. Thank you.

Catfish Festival: will be on June 1-4. We still need someone to run the Burger Booth. If you have any question please contact Gina Leverett 228-669-8741. Thank you.

Lizana Light: For more information, please contact **Doris or Diane.**

Bible Study: We study the **Psalms.** Please join us. Classes are on **Wed at 6:00pm and on Tues at 9am.** For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta.**

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE
Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Please contact us well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic pre-nuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:
Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Margaret Northrop, Andrew, Albert Necaize, Taylor Boyd, James Mora, Carolyn Brewer, and Sharon Somora.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.