

# Dear Padre,

## Am I sinning when I work or shop on Sunday?

**B**iblical tradition states that the Sabbath is the day that God rested from the labors of creation. Sunday is also the day we commemorate Christ's resurrection from the dead and the inauguration of the new creation.

We rightly refer to Sunday, then, as the Lord's day. This being so, it's important that we do everything possible to keep the Lord's day holy and ensure that we reserve adequate time on Sunday for worship, rest, and recreation.

Today, many activities, social services, and family needs require some people to work on Sundays. In fact, many people have only the weekends to do the errands and activities that sustain their families.

Our participation in such activities and services is not a sin, nor does it mean that those who do need to work cannot find an appropriate way to sanctify the Lord's day and allow time for the worship, rest, and renewal that are proper to the day.

Even so, we must guard against treating the Lord's day as just another workday, or a continuation of our Saturday shopping spree. Remember that the primary focus on Sunday should be participating in the Mass and growing our relationship with the Lord.

For more information on this topic, see paragraphs 2184 through 2195 of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*True rest is not simple, because there is false rest and true rest....Man has never rested as much as today, yet man has never experienced as much emptiness as today! Opportunities to amuse oneself, to go out, cruises, travels; but many things do not give you fullness of heart. Indeed, they do not give you rest.*

GENERAL AUDIENCE, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

## Calendar

### Monday

APRIL 26

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 11:1-18

Jn 10:1-10

### Tuesday

APRIL 27

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 11:19-26

Jn 10:22-30

### Wednesday

APRIL 28

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 12:24-13:5a

Jn 12:44-50

### Thursday

APRIL 29

*St. Catherine of Siena,  
Virgin and Doctor  
of the Church*

Acts 13:13-25

Jn 13:16-20

### Friday

APRIL 30

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 13:26-33

Jn 14:1-6

### Saturday

MAY 1

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 13:44-52

Jn 14:7-14

### Sunday

MAY 2

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

Acts 9:26-31

1 Jn 3:18-24

Jn 15:1-8





# 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

## APRIL 25, 2021

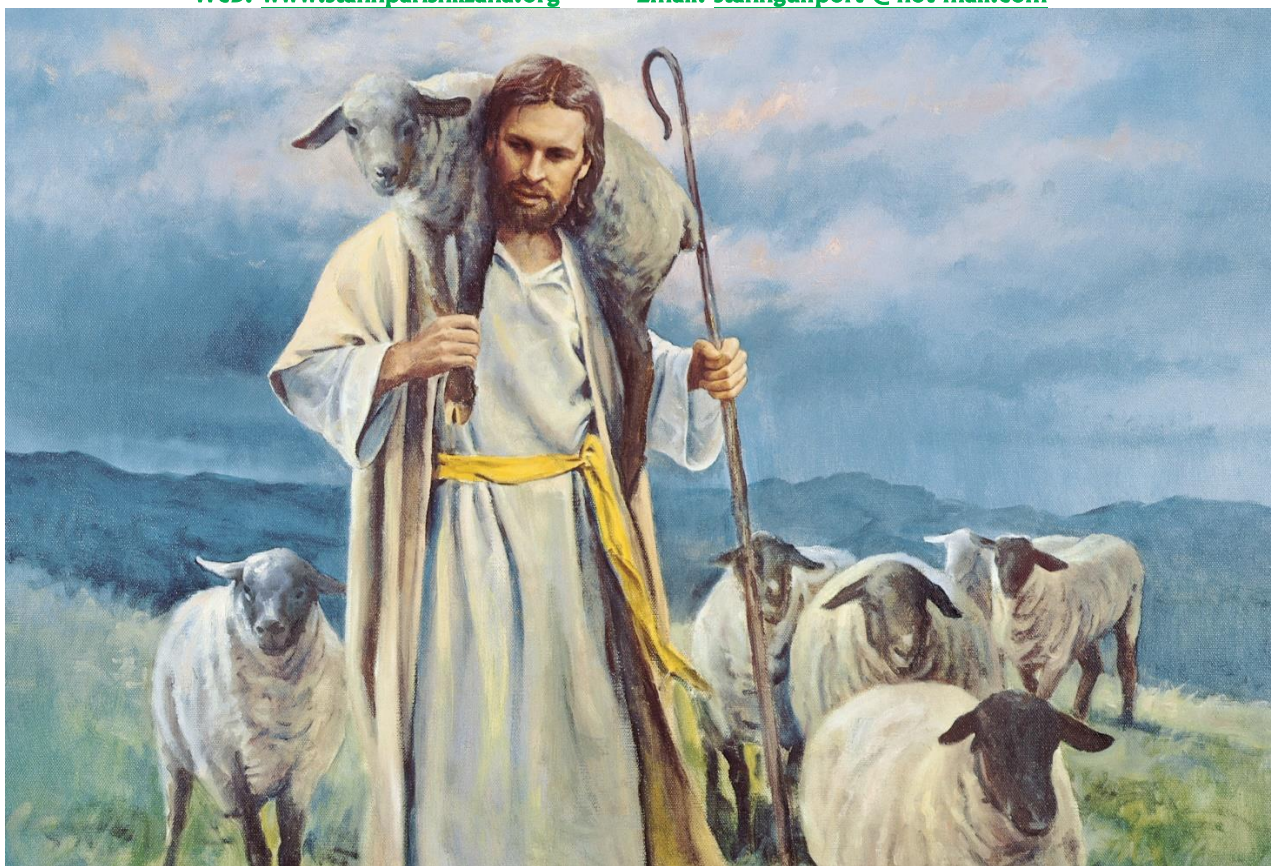


### St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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#### St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions

Apr 24<sup>th</sup> Sat 4 pm Int donor

Apr 25<sup>th</sup> Sun 9am Int donor

Apr 25<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm Parish

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Both before Mass and by Appointment**

Mon 8am Anthony Alvarez

Wednesday 6pm Mary William

Thurs 8am Mary Williams

Fri 8am Int donor

May 1<sup>st</sup> Sat 6 pm Mary Williams

May 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun 9 am Parish

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 6pm Mary Williams

#### **Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule.**

Sun 7:30 am Parish



*From Father David's Desk...*

*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

# The Good Shepherd

**F**or many of us, our only connection

with sheep is with the cuddly white creatures found on holy cards. However, that image strays from the facts. Sheep are not household animals. They live outdoors; they lie down in grass, dirt, and mud. Furthermore, unlike many other animals, sheep cannot clean themselves. I'm not denigrating sheep, just putting aside any fanciful view of their nature.

Raising sheep was an important occupation in the ancient world. In fact, the royalty's governance of people was often described as shepherding. David was told: "You shall shepherd my people Israel" (2 Samuel 5:2). Later, when the royalty were not faithful to this charge, God declared: "I myself will pasture my sheep" (Ezekiel 34:15). This startling characterization of God became a characterization of Jesus.

Grime and animal smells, the blood of births and deaths, inclement weather, and the threat of predators mark the life of a committed shepherd. Human comfort was secondary to the needs of the sheep. Sheep actually learn to recognize the voice of the one who feeds them, cares for them, and protects them. The shepherd's voice seems to say: I am here for you, because you are mine. As "the good shepherd," Jesus is totally committed to us, his sheep. He attends to our needs, willing to risk his own security in order to save us. His care for us seems to say: I am here for you, because you are mine.

## For Reflection

✳ *Is Christ really your shepherd? Do you listen to his voice?*

✳ *Do you rely on Christ's protection, even when you don't seem to feel it?*

**WITH PRAYERS**

**FR. DAVID**

### **ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

**57**, Identifiable \$ 2, 870.00; loose: \$270.00:

**Total: \$3,140.00**; Children: \$6.20; Ach: \$ 590.

### **OLC STEWARDSHIP: Easter:**

Identifiable \$105.00; loose: 131.00; Total: \$236.00.

**School Subsidy for 2021:** Students attending a Catholic school have the opportunity to get a tuition subsidy from their parish church. Please get the subsidy form from your child's school and then meet with me. Thanks.

### **Dispensation for Sunday Mass Attendance:**

The dispensation for Sunday Mass attendance has been cancelled by the bishop.

**House Blessing:** During the Easter Season Father would like to visit your home and bless your home with Holy Water. Please call the office to set it up. 228-832-2560 or 228-346-3578 (Father's cell phone)

**Knights of Columbus Easter Basket:** Won by Marlene Moran. Thanks to all who participated.

**Lizana Light:** For more information, please contact Donna and Rachael. Thank you.

MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat Apr 24 <sup>th</sup> 4pm	Mike West		
Sun Apr 25 <sup>th</sup> OLC 7:30am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun Apr 25 <sup>th</sup> 9am	Beverly saucier		
Sun Apr 25 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	Judith Martinez		
Sat May 1 <sup>st</sup> 5pm	Mike West		
Sun May 2 <sup>nd</sup> OLC 7:30am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun May 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9am	Eddie Duran		
Sun May 2 <sup>nd</sup> 6pm	Lacy Marchland		

**First Holy Communion:** we will have first Holy Communion for children on May 02, at 9:00am mass. After the Mass we will reception in our parish hall so please join us. Thanks

**Welcome:** We welcome Estelle Lucille Ladner to St. Ann's parish as a new member of the church. She received baptism on Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>. Congratulation.

**Mother's day May 09th:** Mother's day greetings cards Mass cards are available at the entrance of the church pick one for your mom and for you. I will offer a special mass and prayer for all mothers. Thanks

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE**  
*Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding.* Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive preparation for marriage. One's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic preuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding

**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.

**VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560

**MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:** You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

**PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:**  
 Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Dube) McGill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaise, John &, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner and Matt Dubission; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Quevas Emmie Tubbs, Wally Clifford, T.J Moran, Robin Shamplo.