

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025



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Mass times:

Sunday 10:30am
12pm Spanish

Please see calendar at
stpatrickmtsterling.com
for midweek masses.

Religious Ed:

Sundays 9-10:15am

Anointing of the Sick & Visits:

Please call the office if you know of
someone in need of a pastoral visit.

Marriage Prep: Notify priest 6+mo. in adv.

Baptism: by appointment

MASS INTENTIONS

May 11....Dick Lane
May 18....Patty Schmidt

DO YOU HAVE MASS INTENTIONS?

We have envelopes at back of the church.
Ask an usher.



A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, May 11, 2025

On this day, known as Good Shepherd Sunday, much has been made of the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd. Being a sheep in Christ's fold involves: hearing his voice, being known by him and following him. There is a relational exchange involved in each of these: he calls, we listen; he knows us, we know him; he leads, we follow. His attentive love flows from the love of the Father who made us and gave us to Jesus' care. And his love sustains us, providing not just for the immediate needs of this life but for our ultimate aim of eternal life with him. Similarly, Israel's vocation was to recognize the Messiah by heeding the words and warnings of their prophets, by rejecting idolatry and by worshiping the one true God.

In our first reading from Acts, we have at first a welcoming of the proclamation of Jesus as Messiah by the Jews and worshipers who were converts to Judaism. Then those jealous of the crowds following Paul and Barnabas contradicted what Paul proclaimed and turned many from enthusiasm to coldness. But not so the Gentiles who heard Paul proclaim them as the new and very enthusiastic followers of the Good Shepherd.

For us who were meant to be Jesus' "sheep," today's first reading can be an examination of conscience for us. We are called to know him and follow him. Do we recognize Jesus and listen to him? Or we like those in Acts who, filled with jealousy, were deaf to the Good News as it was proclaimed in their midst. Likely we are both. We have moments when we can hear, and moments when distractions, struggles, busy schedules, pride or any number of things deafen us to our Shepherd's voice. Let us have the humility to seek and find him on his terms and not our own.

New or Returning to Our Parish?

Need to update info?

Ask an usher for the parish
registration form. Complete
and return to the church
office or put in the collection
plate.

DO YOU GET THE

FLOCK- NOTES?

Keep in touch
with our parish
through text

Text SJSPSA to
84576





Congratulations to:

Parker Barnes
Amelia Snyder
Olivia Brown
Massimo Arrenguren Pena

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who helped with the Montgomery County Ministerial Association Holy Week Services and Lunches, especially Marsha Walker



SAVE THE DATE!

St Patrick's will be having our Summer Picnic @ the Montgomery County Pool on the bypass on **July 13th, 7 to 9 pm.** More details to follow.

**Pray the Rosary
Wednesdays @4pm**

See Mary Fran Kirouac
for info



MAY requests:
**Cereal, canned fruit,
ketchup, & canned
soup.**

**A box has been placed
in back of church for
collection.**

Birthdays (May 11th-17th)

05/11...Peggy Ballard
05/11...Jane Lowry
05/11...Jacob Stewart
05/14...Trevor Pate
05/15...Steve Lane
05/15...Rosa Villasana
05/15...Marsha Walker
05/16...Jose Mata-Reina



The Baby Bottle Campaign Returns

It's that time of year again! New Beginnings in Winchester have reached out to us about participating in their Baby Bottle Fundraiser once again. We have 20 bottles so let's try to fill them all this year! The campaign begins on **Mothers' Day** and ends on **Fathers' Day**. Please return them by the Mass on June 16, 2024.

**THEY ARE WORKING ON OPENING A
BRANCH IN MOUNT STERLING!**

"Meditate well on this: Seek God above all things. It is right for you to seek God before and above everything else, because the majesty of God wishes you to receive what you ask for. This will also make you more ready to serve God and will enable you to love him more perfectly."

- St. Pascal Baylon (1540-1592),
- Patron of Eucharistic Congresses,
- Feast Day May 17

