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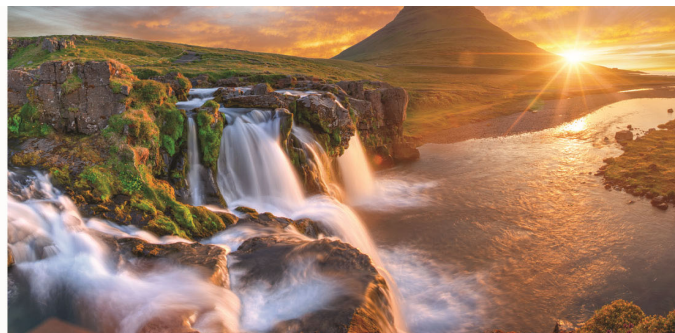
FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Easter*

MAY

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For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne
will shepherd them
and lead them to springs of life-giving water.

Revelation 7:17



WE BELONG TO GOD

In the time of Jesus, when multiple flocks of sheep would be gathered, protecting the flock depended heavily on the shepherd's personal recognition of individual sheep, by sight and sound. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses this imagery to speak of how Jesus—with the Father—protects those whom God loves—that is, everyone. Forces that pull us away from God are ultimately no match for the fierce love that God has for us. Our favor with God does not depend on our behaving properly, or gaining theological knowledge, or holding precise beliefs. Our stance with God is primarily about God's insistence that we belong to God, and to no other. Belonging to God, we know that however much we mess up, we are not lost. Belonging to God eventually draws us into a life of care for each other. Belonging to God, we can safely grow into a fuller belonging.

LIGHT TO THE GENTILES

Today's passage from the Acts of the Apostles is one of several turning points in the self-understanding of the early Church. Paul evokes the image of "A light to the Gentiles." Some thought that Gentiles, non-Jews, were somehow marginal in God's eyes. The Gentiles in Paul's audience rejoice, because they now see that they are not "second class" members of God's family, but fully part of God's beloved people. The story continues by noting the resistance from those who enjoy "first class" status in the community, as inclusion of the Gentiles was perceived as a threat to their self-image and privilege.

The book of Acts continues to challenge today's societies, churches, and organizations. Luke's vision of God's family, united as equal heirs to the Kingdom of God, confronts our many barriers of wealth, race, gender, and much more. We are invited to give witness to this vision in our life together as the Church.

WHITE ROBES

Our reading from the Book of Revelation presents the image of God's people before God's throne, wearing robes that are washed white in the blood of the Lamb. A robe, especially when worn in God's presence, is meant to express the real truth about the person. A white robe indicates their purity. The washing in the blood of the Lamb (Jesus) suggests that the people have met much suffering and, in some manner, have participated in the suffering of Jesus.

These passages were written to a people experiencing great tribulations in living their faith. But the author of Revelation does not suggest that anyone should seek out suffering for its own sake. He does not make suffering somehow a necessary entry pass for salvation. Our sufferings come from many sources, and suffering is a profound mystery. The image of washing in blood suggests that God is present within our suffering. God accompanies our suffering, leads us toward refreshment, and will wipe every tear from our eyes.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 13:14, 43–52
Psalm 100:1–2, 3, 5
Revelation 7:9, 14b–17
John 10:27–30



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CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST - MASS

Weekdays: 8:30 am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Saturday Evenings: 5:30 pm

Sundays: 8:00 am, 9:30 am (Polish), 11:00 am

Holy Days Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm

Day: 8:30 am; 7:00 pm (Polish)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm or at other times by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Each Sunday during Mass at 11:00 am. Call the Rectory to make an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Marriages are to be scheduled at least six months in advance by interview with a parish priest. Pre-Cana conferences are required (online trainings are invalid).

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: During Mass at 8:30 am on First Saturday of the Month.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please call the Rectory to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to be brought to the home.

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: Last Thursday of the month 7pm; First Friday, 9:00 am;

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after Mass at 8:30 am

Rosary in community we pray before daily Mass

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

FIRST SATURDAY, MAY 7th

8:30am +Frederic “Bud” Koehler

5:30pm +Theodore Stepnowsky

FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER, May 8th

MOTHER'S DAY

8:00am + Mother's Day

Novena;

Althea

Sidor



*Happy
Mother's Day!*

9:30am (Polish) +Mother's Day Novena; Franciszek and Franciszka Krawczyk

11am (Family Mass) +Mother's Day Novena; blessing for Helen Puric and her family

MONDAY, May 9th

8:30am +Mother's Day Novena

TUESDAY, May 10th

8:30am +Mother's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, May 11th

NO MASS

THURSDAY, May 12th

8:30am +Mother's Day Novena

FRIDAY, May 13th

8:30am +Mother's Day Novena

SATURDAY, MAY 14th

8:30am +Mother's Day Novena

5:30pm +Mother's Day Novena

FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER, May 15th

8:00am + Sophie Andrade

9:30am (Polish) +Helen, Walter & Thomas Krupski

11am (Family Mass) +Cindi Agosta

FINANCIAL CORNER

- Sunday May 1, 2022: **\$2741** / Easter: **\$110**
- Poor Box/Candles: **\$354** / Catholic Elementary School: **\$225** / Mother's Day Novena: **\$805**

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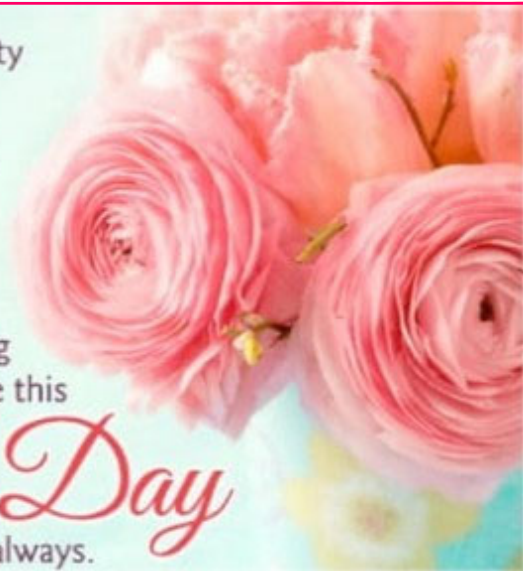
Let us pray the Rosary

Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

PROVERBS 31:30 NIV

Wishing you God's unending favor, kindness and love this

Mother's Day
and always.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Monday May 16, 7:00pm,
Parish Hall**

BUSINESS OWNERS - if you would like to advertise in our bulletin - please call JS Paluch at 1 800.621.5197 and press 1 for bulletin advertising. Our bulletin # is 703400.

Please patronize our Advertisers.

Eagle Scout Rosary Walk Project

*Dear parishioners of Our Lady of Ostrabrama,
Thank you for all of the generosity, kindness and support you have given me in my journey toward becoming an Eagle Scout. Because of your generous donation, my fundraising efforts have concluded and I am excited to finally break ground and order the necessary supplies to begin construction on the Rosary Walk at the Sacred Heart Cemetery. Thank you again!*
Joey Zuhoski

****Sacred Heart Rosary Society****

1. Meeting and Covered Dish Supper

Tuesday May 10 at 6pm

2. Communion Luncheon

Sunday, June 5 @1215 after the 11 am mass

Amano's Restaurant in Mattituck

\$35/person & advance payment required

Call Henrietta Chituk 516-381-7923

Guests welcome

CLASS UPDATE THEOLOGY 101: CHURCH HISTORY

Classes will be on pause beginning the week of May 23 and will resume the week of June 27

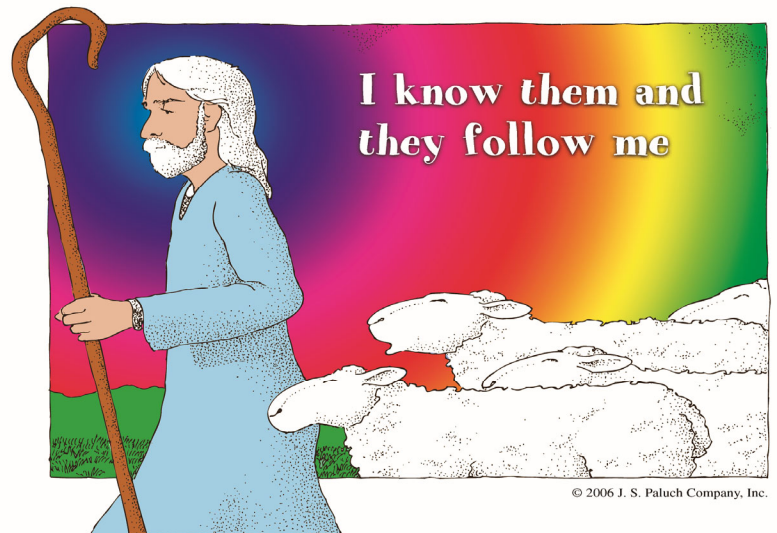
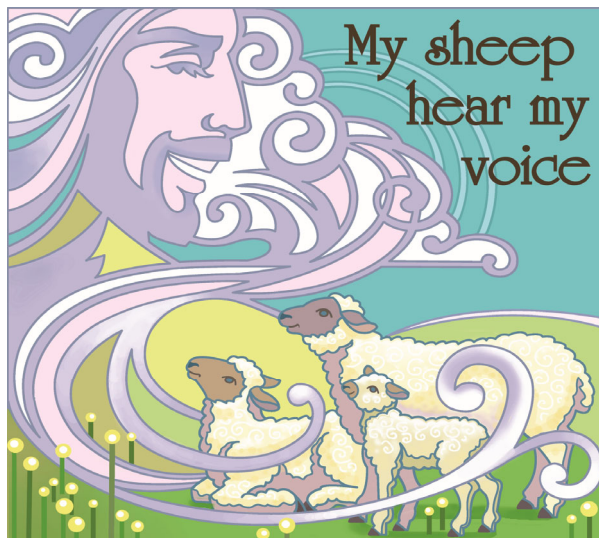
*Father Roy will be leading pilgrimages to
Medjugorje
and The Holy Land*

Journeying Together as a Church

Support Pope Francis in his mission to foster growth, community and participation among all members of the global church.

Please have all family members answer the questions on the flyer the back of the church.

Thank you for caring about the future of our church!



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