

St. Charles Borromeo Parish Diocese of Charlotte



Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

Fr. Kenneth Whittington, *Pastor*
Rev. Mr. Ed Konarski, *Deacon*
Rev. Mr. John Martino, *Deacon*
Rev. Mr. Miguel Sebastian, *Deacon*



Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday

12 Noon

Saturday

5 PM-English

Sunday

9:00 AM-English

12 Noon/PM-English

5:00 PM-Spanish

Sacraments

Baptisms

By appointment

Marriage

Contact office at least 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation

Monday & Friday , 6-7 PM

Father Ken's office

Also by appointment

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In today's Gospel Reading, Jesus made bold to call Himself "The Good Shepherd." That title meant more to His contemporaries than it does to us, at least at first glance. Most of us know nothing about this humble and difficult way of life called shepherding. We have to "Google" it. We do know that shepherds raise and tend to sheep.

When Jesus called Himself the "Good" Shepherd that word in John's gospel meant more than "good at" some task or other. It meant "noble" or "ideal" shepherd. That declared that Jesus was not like the bad shepherds who neglected their flocks and let them become victims of wolves. In fact, Jesus gave His life for His sheep, who, in this context are namely you and me.

The good news is that we are always part of His flock if we want to be. We will receive His attention, His care, His love. Of course, that word "if" makes all the difference. We can reject Him. Write Him off our list of priorities if you will. This happens to otherwise faithful sheep, particularly when inclusion in His flock, or loyalty to Him involves pain and difficulty.

In our society, with its upside-down value system, that pain may be no more than embarrassment at being known as His follower. Yet every crucifix, large or small, is a vivid reminder of how much He loves us and will not hold back His love if we repent. Like a good shepherd, He feeds His flock with the finest of foods, namely the Holy Eucharist. Our Shepherd is good at loving us, is He not? How are we at loving Him back?

(Edited for content and length)

Readings for the Week

Monday Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday Acts 12:24-13:5a Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 Jn 12:44-50

Thursday 1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 Mk 16:15-20

Friday Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab Jn 14:1-6

Saturday Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 14:7-14

Sunday Acts 9:26-31 Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8

Congratulations to all of our young parishioners who received First Holy Communion on April 11th and 12th. May God continue to bless you on your faith journey.

Masses for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on May 9th and 10th at 7:00 pm.

FINANCIAL REPORT 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR

Weekly Budget	\$ 10,000.00
Received for March	\$ 44,834.49
Received Week of April 2 & 9	\$ 21,285.00
Over/(Short) Year-to-date	\$ 29,016.37

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2024

Goal:	\$ 56,682.00
Paid:	\$ 20,982.72
Pledge Balance:	\$ 15,497.28
Paid + Pledge Balance	\$ 36,480.00
Over (Bold) Under:	(\$ 20,202.00)
Donors	71

75TH ANNIVERSARY QUILT

The long-awaited and much anticipated 75th Anniversary St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church quilt is finished and hanging in Murray Hall. It is on the wall behind the stage. Hand-crafted by Cindy Konarski and Terri Martino, the quilt shows hand-drawn pictures by our youth, the diversity of our parish, sacraments, and various organizations within our church. If you haven't seen the quilt, please take time to view this beautiful addition to our church.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, April 22

Noon Mass-Steven DuBois (+)

Tuesday, April 23

Noon Mass-Amelia Pellegrino (+)

Wednesday, April 24

Noon Mass

5:15 pm-Youth Schola

6:30 pm-Children's Choir

7:00 pm-Fr. Ken's Class

Thursday, April 25

Noon Mass

7:00 pm-Adult Choir

Friday, April 26

Noon Mass

Saturday, April 27

9:00 am-Ladies Guild Yard Sale

9:00 am-Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, April 28

9:00 am-Mass-English

12 pm/Noon-English-*Pro Populo*

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Youth and adults from our church will be attending Catholic Heart WorkCamp in Richmond, VA from June 16th to June 22nd. The Registration fee is \$450. If anyone would like to sponsor one of our youth, all donations are greatly needed and appreciated. Donations are also needed to assist with food, gas, supplies and vehicle rental. Thank you for your generosity.

ANNUAL CHURCH YARD SALE

Saturday, APRIL 27TH

8AM-NOON

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Abbreviated Directory

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Faith Formation Director: *Gail Watson* 437-3108
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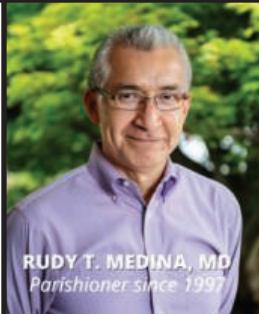
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