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APRIL 21, 2024
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CYCLE B (MARK)

The Shepherd's Voice: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Readings:

Acts 4:8–12

Psalm 118:1, 8–9, 21–23, 26, 29

1 John 3:1–2

John 10:11–18

Jesus, in today's Gospel, says that He is the good shepherd the prophets had promised to Israel. He is the shepherd-prince, the new David—who frees people from bondage to sin and gathers them into one flock, the Church, under a new covenant, made in His blood (see [Ezekiel 34:10–13, 23–31](#)). His flock includes other sheep, He says, far more than the dispersed children of Israel (see [Isaiah 56:8](#); [John 11:52](#)). And He gave His Church the mission of shepherding all peoples to the Father. In today's First Reading, we see the beginnings of that mission in the testimony of Peter, whom the Lord appointed shepherd of His Church (see [John 21:15–17](#)). Peter tells Israel's leaders that the Psalm we sing today is a prophecy of their rejection and crucifixion of Christ. He tells the "builders" of Israel's temple that God has made the stone they rejected the cornerstone of a new spiritual temple, the Church (see [Mark 12:10–13](#); [1 Peter 2:4–7](#)). Through the ministry of the Church, the shepherd still speaks (see [Luke 10:16](#)), and forgives sins (see [John 20:23](#)), and makes His body and blood present, that all may know Him in the breaking of the bread (see [Luke 24:35](#)). It is a mission that will continue until all the world is one flock under the one shepherd. In laying down His life and taking it up again, Jesus made it possible for us to know God as He did—as sons and daughters of the Father who loves us. As we hear in today's Epistle, He calls us His children, as He called Israel His son when He led them out of Egypt and made His covenant with them (see [Exodus 4:22–23](#); [Revelation 21:7](#)). Today, let us listen for His voice as He speaks to us in the Scriptures, and vow again to be more faithful followers. And let us give thanks for the blessings He bestows from His altar.



Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



APRIL 20TH TO APRIL 27TH 2024

Sat	April 20th	5:00pm	- David LaPlante †
Sun	April 21st	7:30am	- Alana Maurica Gerardine
		9:00am	- Georgina Da Costa
		10:30am	- Maria Vasconcalos †
		12:00pm	- People of the Parish
Mon	April 22nd	8:30am	- Dr. J. G. McGarragle †
Tue	April 23rd	8:30am	- Robert (Bobby) Morgan †
Wed	April 24th	7:30pm	- Birthday thanksgiving for Donna Milburn; and Natividad Germain †
Thu	April 25th	8:30am	- Mr. and Mrs. Felix's Family
Fri	April 26th	7:30pm	- Clyde Joseph †
Sat	April 27th	8:30am	- Natividad Germain †; Ma Elena Inting †; Paciencia Inting †; Birthday thanksgiving for Georgina Da Costa; and Thanksgiving for the Fernandes family



OUR SICK:

Dina Sorbera, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Donna Mesic, Oliver Malinowski, Anunciacion Chang, Derek Rosario, Maria Theresa, Maria Johanna Tizon, Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Sharon Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly Macinnis, Ursula Solomon, Jennifer Solomon, Randeer Kumar Hulooman, Norma Dulnuan, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Colleen Balgobin, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclejtton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Duverney Family, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum, Ahilla Kissoon.

St. Boniface Parish Sanctity of Life Group

In preparation for the May 9th National March for Life in Ottawa, the St. Boniface Sanctity of Life group will be showing the movie **"Unplanned"** in the **church hall on Saturday, May 4th after the 5:00pm Mass.**



This is a true story which gives us a factual, eye-opening look inside the abortion industry. It tells the story of Abby Johnson, a former director of Planned Parenthood who has a conversion to the Pro-Life cause.

Light refreshments will be served.



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ST. BONIFACE PARISH FEAST PICNIC

Our St. Boniface Parish Feast picnic will be held on **Sunday, June 2nd after the 12 noon Mass (1pm to 4pm).**



We need volunteers to sell tickets after all Masses in May; entertainment for kids (games etc.); set-up games; clean-up afterwards.

If you are able to help us with this event, please call the parish office at 416-261-5983, and leave your name and telephone number. Thank you for volunteering your services!

SAVE THE DATE — JUNE 2ND 2024

NEXT FAMILY GAMES NIGHT



Please join us on **Saturday April 27th after the 5pm Mass**, in the church hall, to enjoy some board games. Feel free to bring your family's favourite board game or come down and learn a new game.

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St. Agatha Catholic School would like to invite all alumni and community members to our 60th Anniversary Celebration taking place on **Saturday, June 8th from 12:30pm to 5:30pm.**

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