

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
5/07/06

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
 Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
 Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22; 1 Jn 3:18-24;
 Jn 15:1-8

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

This Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally referred to as “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Today we listen to the words of the Lord as he refers to himself as the “good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep.” It is sometimes so difficult for us to grasp the reality that anyone would lay down his or her own life for the sake of someone else. This is especially true in a society that places high value on power and personal advancement, often at the cost of “trampling” on other people in order to climb the ladder. Today’s scriptures point to the one we are called to emulate—the one who lays down his life for his sheep. Today’s scriptures challenge us to discover ways to bring life to those around us—to build up rather than to tear down.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — There is no other name under heaven by which we are to be saved than the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalms — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading—See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

Good Bye and Good Luck

All parishioners are welcome to come say Good Bye to Fr. Lito after the 8:30 and 11:00am Masses today in the parish hall. Fr. Lito will be going to Holy Spirit parish in Fairfield.



Mass Intentions for the Week
May 8, 2006– May 14, 2006

St. Teresa of Avila

Mon.	05/08	8:30am		Parishioners
Tues.	05/09	8:30am		Parishioners
Wed.	05/10	8:30am		Parishioners
Thurs.	05/11	8:30am		Parishioners
Fri.	05/12	8:30am		Parishioners
Sat.	05/13	5:00pm	+	Isabelle Launier
Sun.	05/14	8:30am	+	Betty Grady
Sun.	05/14	11:00am		All Parishioners
Sun.	05/14	5:00pm		Kathy Begley

NEW MASS SCHEDULE

Our new Mass times begin this weekend. The times are: Saturday vigil at **5:00pm**, **Sunday 8:30 & 11:00am and 5:00pm.** (Our daily Masses are **Monday—Saturday, 8:30am**).

Sunday, 5:00pm Mass will cater especially for high school, college age young adults and people returning after spending weekends away.

All parishioners will be receiving a special mailing from both St. Teresa of Avila and St Joseph Parishes asking you to re-register in the parish of your choice within the week.

We will also be having registration after all Masses in the courtyard during the month of May.

WORKSHOP: MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

All Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Choir Members or anyone who is interested in the ministries of our Church, there will be a meeting with Jackson Schoos, Director of Worship with the Diocese of Sacramento on Saturday, May 13, 2006, 10:00am to 12:00pm at St. Teresa of Avila Church.

All current ministers need to attend. Anyone interested in becoming a minister, are welcome to join us.



5th Sunday of April 2006 \$6,531.66

PASTOR'S CORNER:

Last week our parish sent out a letter to all of the School and Religious Education parents in regards to the "Absent Faces". I would like to share this letter with all of the parishioners:

ABSENT FACES

Dear Parents:

I see a sea of "Absent Faces". Many of you have observed me greeting students and parents either at our school and religious education classes. I have been told it is refreshing to see the priest greeting everyone. It is what I like to do. It is also my privilege to greet and welcome parents and children to our Sunday Masses on behalf of Jesus Christ. Alas, last Sunday there were less than one hundred children in Church. Do the math—we have three hundred children in religious education and three hundred children in our Catholic school. Families go to St. Joseph's Church, but it still does not add up.

Children grow so quickly that we have little time as a parish to nurture and encourage their spiritual growth. As a community this is a solemn and sacred duty. As a priest I miss the children.

We will do our best to listen to you and to serve you as priests. Because of Sunday activities and sports, and the need of our young adults, we have added a Sunday evening Mass at 5:00pm. Next September another one of our Masses will be designated as a Children's Mass, if our children return to Church.

Parents and Grandparents I ask your help during this Easter season to pass on what we have received, our Catholic faith.

God Bless,
Fr. Mike

NEW PARISH OFFICES

St. Teresa of Avila parish offices will be opening this week. We are located in the parish hall (formerly where the youth room and music rooms were).

Our new phone number is: (530) 889-2254 with our FAX number as: (530) 328-1772.

Please stop by and say hello!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Confirmation Families: *Our upcoming Confirmation Retreat will be held at the Morello Youth Center at Mt. St. Joseph's in Loomis on Friday, May 12, 2006, 9:00 am to 2:00pm. This day will be spiritually uplifting, we hope to see you there.*

First Communion Families: *Dress rehearsal and pictures will be held at St. Teresa of Avila Church on Saturday, May 20, 2006, at 10:00am. Please make sure to attend as this is a very important rehearsal for your First Communion celebrations.*

MID-LIFE DIRECTION WORKSHOP

Mid-Life workshop is an opportunity to tap into the richness of our own experiences. We will reflect on our life journeys, what has been—our past, what is—our present and possibilities for the future.

These workshops are best for individuals from 35—65 years of age. This is a five week course and are scheduled as follows:

May 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st. They will be held in the parish school library from 7:00 to 9:00pm with Sr. Mercedes Braga, SHF. Cost is \$15.00 for the book and \$25.00 for the retreat.

To register, please call Terese at (916) 663-3012.

New Catholic Dictionary—Giggles:

Procession: Ceremonial march at the beginning of Mass, consisting of Altar Servers, The Celebrant, and late parishioners looking for seats.

Recession: Ceremonial march at the conclusion of Mass—Led by parishioners trying to beat the crowd to the parking lot.

Bulletin: Your receipt for attending Mass.

Youth Volunteer Registration Form
 St. Teresa of Avila Parish
 Vacation Bible Study 2006



Date: June 26th – 30th
Time: 8:30am-12:30pm*
Age: Youth Entering 6th grade and older

*VOLUNTEERS MUST BE ABLE TO ATTEND MONDAY-THURSDAY FROM 8:30AM TO 12:45PM AND FRIDAY FROM 8:30AM – 2:00PM (LUNCH WILL BE INCLUDED ON FRIDAY AFTER CLEAN UP). VOLUNTEERS MUST ALSO BE ABLE TO ATTEND A YOUTH VOLUNTEER MEETING ON SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH.

*IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE YOUTH VOLUNTEERS WILL PROVIDE LEADERSHIP TO THE STUDENTS AND PARTICIPATE IN ALL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING PRAYER, SONG TIME, CRAFTS, SNACKS, CLASSROOM TIME AND RECESS. THE SUNDAY MEETING WILL REVIEW THE WEEKS EXPECTATIONS AND ACTIVITIES.

*YOUTH MUST BE WILLING TO ADHERE TO A DRESS CODE (SHORTS/PANTS AND T-SHIRT OR CAP SLEEVE TOP).

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CALL 530-889-2254

PLEASE SUBMIT TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA PARISH OFFICE BY JUNE 5TH.

YOUTH NAME _____

PARENT'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ HOME PHONE _____ CELL _____

Week At A Glance May 7, 2006—May 13, 2006			
SUN	9:45am	CFM	FP
05/07	10:00am	Fr. Lito's Reception	H
MON	05/08		
TUES	7:00pm	Pro-Life	FP
05/09			
WED	6:00pm	Bingo	H
05/10	7:00pm	Choir Practice	ST.T.
THUR	11:00am	CLRS	H
05/11	7:00pm	KC's Bingo Social	FP
FRI	7:00pm	Performing Arts	H
05/12			
SAT.			
05/13			
Location Abbreviations			
H	Parish Hall		
FP	Fireplace Room		
St. T.	St. Teresa		
DC	Day Care Room		
C	Chapel		

BREAKFAST WITH THE KNIGHTS

Come meet and socialize with fellow parishioners at the Knights of Columbus "Every Second Sunday" monthly breakfast and fellowship, on May 14, 2006, 8:00am to 11:00am at the parish hall.

These events are helping to foster the feeling of community in the parish and your attendance will go a long way in making this a successful endeavor. Breakfast will be served with pancakes, eggs, bacon, juice, coffee, etc.. \$5.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children under 12 years, and \$10.00 for a family of 4 or more. All Mother's coming for breakfast will receive a carnation to honor them.