

Welcome

To our communities of faith

Our Divine Saviour Catholic Church

12th Street and Love Avenue
Tifton, GA

and

St. Ann Catholic Church

U.S. Highway 82 East
Alapaha, GA

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25, 2021

Pastor
Rev. Peter Oyenugba, MSP

Deacon
J. Brian Bergeron
Deacon
Eric Windmoller

*The stone rejected by the builders has become
the cornerstone.
Psalm 4*



***In the gospel passage, Jesus
describes three traits of an
ideal shepherd.***

***These traits also characterize
Jesus' relationship to his
followers.***

***Jesus calls his sheep by name,
and they follow wherever he
leads.***

Our Divine Savior

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Requests for Prayers

**Please pray for the sick
and those who have
requested our prayers:**

Allison Brannan, Rachel
Brantley, James Brown,
Brady, Carol Budnick, Erica
Carroll, Mary Carroll,
Tommy Carroll, Sean Winn
Carampatan, Margarie
D’Souva, Tina DeWees,
Anne Marie Emanuelli,
Carlos & Carrie Fletcher,
Lauren Marie Fletcher, Judy
Fraelich, Rodolfo Herandez-
Labastida, Wayne Harrell,
Chloe Kendrick, David
LaForest, Isaac Lindsey,
Randy Long, Ortrun Logan,
Raeleigh Jane McCartha,
Andrew Meredith, Susana
Melgar, Butch Parker,
Charles Phenicie, Miller
Blake Prostko, Nancy
Quynn, Marian Robinson,
Rosalie Rohrer, Arlene Ruse,
Josephine Sehranski,
Marlena Smith, Sterling
Saunders, Robbi Scarbrough,
Wayne Scarbrough, John B.
Sherlock, Kaylon Spurlock,
Jennifer Unis, Dowson
Bedore, Debra Vazquez,
Sonia Webb

**Please Pray for our
Military:**

Anthony Caucci, Jonathan
Elder, Clayton F. Gibbs,
Terry Jones, James Olands,
Angel Olivos, Bong Tanesco,
Aurelio Tovar, Gregory
Camargo, Michael Gibbons,
Jackson Bergeron, Marquis
Smith

April 25, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Readings:

Acts 4:8-12
1 John 3:12
John 10:11-18

Theme:

Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

Question of the week:

What qualities of God does
the image of the Good
Shepherd suggest? How do
you experience God in this
way?

May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Readings:

Acts 9:26-31
1 John 3:18-24
John 15:1-8

Theme:

I am the vine, you are the
branches.

Question of the Week:

How does your own
connection to Christ, the
vine, affect our daily life?

Announcements April 24 & 25

Volunteers needed:

Volunteers needed to help keep everyone safe. A few volunteers are needed after each mass to help with the wiping of the pews. The more hands we have, the quicker we will finish. Thank you for helping.

Dear Padre

April 25, 2021

Am I sinning when I work or shop on Sunday?

Biblical tradition states that the Sabbath is the day that God rested from the labors of creation. Sunday is also the day we commemorate Christ's resurrection from the dead and the inauguration of the new creation.

We rightly refer to Sunday, then, as the Lord's day. This being so, it's important that we do everything possible to keep the Lord's day holy and ensure that we reserve adequate time on Sunday for worship, rest, and recreation.

Today, many activities, social services, and family needs require some people to work on Sundays. In fact, many people have only the weekends to do the errands and activities that sustain their families.

Our participation in such activities and services is not a sin, nor does it mean that those who do need to work cannot find an appropriate way to sanctify the Lord's day and allow time for the worship, rest, and renewal that are proper to the day.

Even so, we must guard against treating the Lord's day as just another workday, or a continuation of our Saturday shopping spree. Remember that the primary focus on Sunday should be participating in the Mass and growing our relationship with the Lord.

For more information on this topic, see paragraphs 2184 through 2195 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, C.SsR

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EVENTS of the WEEK:

Saturday, April 24

2nd Collection: Catholic Home

Missions

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) 5:00 pm

Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 25

2nd Collection: Catholic Home Missions

Mass at ODS [**+Mary Ann Gregorie** 9:00 am
(Priscilla Carpenter)]

Mass at St. Ann (For St. Ann Parishioners) . . . 11:15 am

Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . 1:30 pm

Monday, April 26

NO Mass at ODS

Tuesday, April 27

Mass at ODS (**Heath of Virginia Dorman**). 5:30 pm
(J. Brian & Jill Bergeron)

Wednesday, April 28

Mass at ODS 8:00 am

Thursday, April 29

Mass at ODS 8:00 am

Friday, April 30

Mass at ODS 5:30 pm

Saturday, May 1

2nd Collection: ODS Building Fund

Mass at ODS (**Heath of Miller Prostko**). 5:00 pm
(J. Brian & Jill Bergeron)

Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners). 7:00 pm

Sunday, May 2

2nd Collection: ODS Building Fund

Mass at ODS [**+Terry Harwood** 9:00 am
(J. Brian & Jill Bergeron)]

Mass at St. Ann [**+Rose Spurlock** 11:15 am
(J. Brian & Jill Bergeron)]

Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners). 1:30 pm

Good News!

April 25, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 4:8–12; 1 Jn 3:1–2; Jn 10:11–18

The Good Shepherd

For many of us, our only connection with sheep is with the cuddly white creatures found on holy cards. However, that image strays from the facts. Sheep are not household animals. They live outdoors; they lie down in grass, dirt, and mud. Furthermore, unlike many other animals, sheep cannot clean themselves. I'm not denigrating sheep, just putting aside any fanciful view of their nature.

Raising sheep was an important occupation in the ancient world. In fact, the royalty's governance of people was often described as shepherding. David was told: "You shall shepherd my people Israel" (2 Samuel 5:2). Later, when the royalty were not faithful to this charge, God declared: "I myself will pasture my sheep" (Ezekiel 34:15). This startling characterization of God became a characterization of Jesus.

Grime and animal smells, the blood of births and deaths, inclement weather, and the threat of predators mark the life of a committed shepherd. Human comfort was secondary to the needs of the sheep. Sheep actually learn to recognize the voice of the one who feeds them, cares for them, protects them. The shepherd's voice seems to say: I am here for you, because you are mine. As "the good shepherd," Jesus is totally committed to us, his sheep. He attends to our needs, willing to risk his own security in order to save us. His care for us seems to say: I am here for you, because you are mine.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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