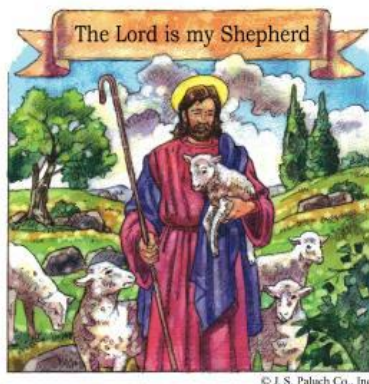


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April 26, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING: All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized (Acts 2:14a, 36-41).

PSALM: My shepherd is the Lord; I shall not want (Psalm 23).

SECOND READING: Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian (1 Peter 2:20b-25).

GOSPEL: The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life (John 10:1-10).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: OUR PROTECTOR

Today's readings invite us to recognize our need for one who ensures our safety, nourishes us, and leads us to peace and security, like sheep who rest in the care of a good shepherd. Such a shepherd will protect and save the sheep, even from the most deadly of predators. Today, we ponder the incredible news that Jesus accepted death on the cross in order to open the gates of eternal life with God for us. Through his resurrection, Jesus protects and saves us from the power of sin and death. We need only accept his love and live as God's people in this life, relying on the Lord who is the door to new life for us and for all.

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

| | | | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5:30PM | Saturday, May 2nd | 9:00 AM | Sunday, May 3rd |
| Lector: | Ed Olshefski | Lector: | Kevin Houghton |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (April 27th- May 3rd)

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| MON | 4/27 | 7:00AM. . . + Matilda & Martin Simcic |
| TUES | 4/28 | 7:00AM. . . + Fr. Joseph Strittmatter- (Thien & Ngoan Tran) |
| WED | 4/29 | 7:00AM. . . + Edward Pavlosky- (Deb Mishler) |
| THURS | 4/30 | 7:00AM. . . + Martin & Matilda Simcic |
| FRI | 5/01 | 7:00AM. . . + Robert "Bob" Verhovsek - (Ester & Hank Hughes) |
| SAT | 5/02 | 5:30PM. . . .Pro Populo |
| SUN | 5/03 | 9:00AM. . . .Christian Mothers |



April 9, 2026

Stewardship Reflections:

Today's readings on this fourth Sunday of Easter offer us a glimpse into the heart of our loving Savior. He is the Good Shepherd, and we can confidently place our trust in Him as we live the stewardship way of life.

In both the first and second readings, we find Peter embracing his role as leader of the newborn Church. In our first readings from Acts, he exhorts the crowd, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." We then read that the ones who accepted his message were baptized that day. Peter simply proposed the Good News to them and then left them free to accept or reject the call to repentance and belief in Christ, which is ultimately a call from God.

We can find many parallels in this passage to the call to a stewardship way of life. We, too, are free to accept or reject God's call to discipleship. We can keep our time, talents, and treasure for ourselves, purely to serve our own interests. We are free to make that choice. Or we can embrace the call to discipleship through the stewardship way of life. If we do so, we will find a path to freedom from "this corrupt generation" just as those first disciples found in the early days of the Church.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

April 18th & 19th, 2026

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| Weekly | \$ 1,244.00 |
| Poor Box | \$ 102.00 |

Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish! Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!

REGINA CAELI - The Regina Caeli is said beginning Easter Sunday until Pentecost. It is said standing:

- V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.
 - R. For He whom you merited to bear Alleluia
 - V. Has risen, as He said, Alleluia
 - R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia
 - V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
 - R. For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.
- Let us Pray:** O God, who through the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has given joy to this world; grant, we beseech You, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the same joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen

RITE OF SENDING

TODAY Sunday, April 26th we celebrate the Rite of Sending at St. Therese for our Students, and ask God to Bless them as they continue their journey in faith.



**Patrick Sakmar - Sebastian
Devyn Shingler - Rosalia**

"Father of love and power, it is your will to establish everything in Christ and to draw us into his all-embracing love. Guide these candidates in the days ahead: strengthen them in their vocation, build them into the kingdom of your Son, and seal them with the Spirit of your promise. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."



Catholic Ministries

DRIVE

Sent To Serve

Thank you to the families who have pledged as of March 31 a total of **\$3,430** towards our target amount of **\$6,400**. Saint Peter teaches us, "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace"

(1 Peter 4:10)

.Please prayerfully consider making a pledge according to your means so we will be able to reach that target. You have until Dec 31st 2026 to pay your pledge in full.

All funds over our target will be returned to St. Anne Parish.



Strengthening the Church at Home

Catholic Home Missions – Thank you for your generous support for last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Monies raised will strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal it's not too late to give!

