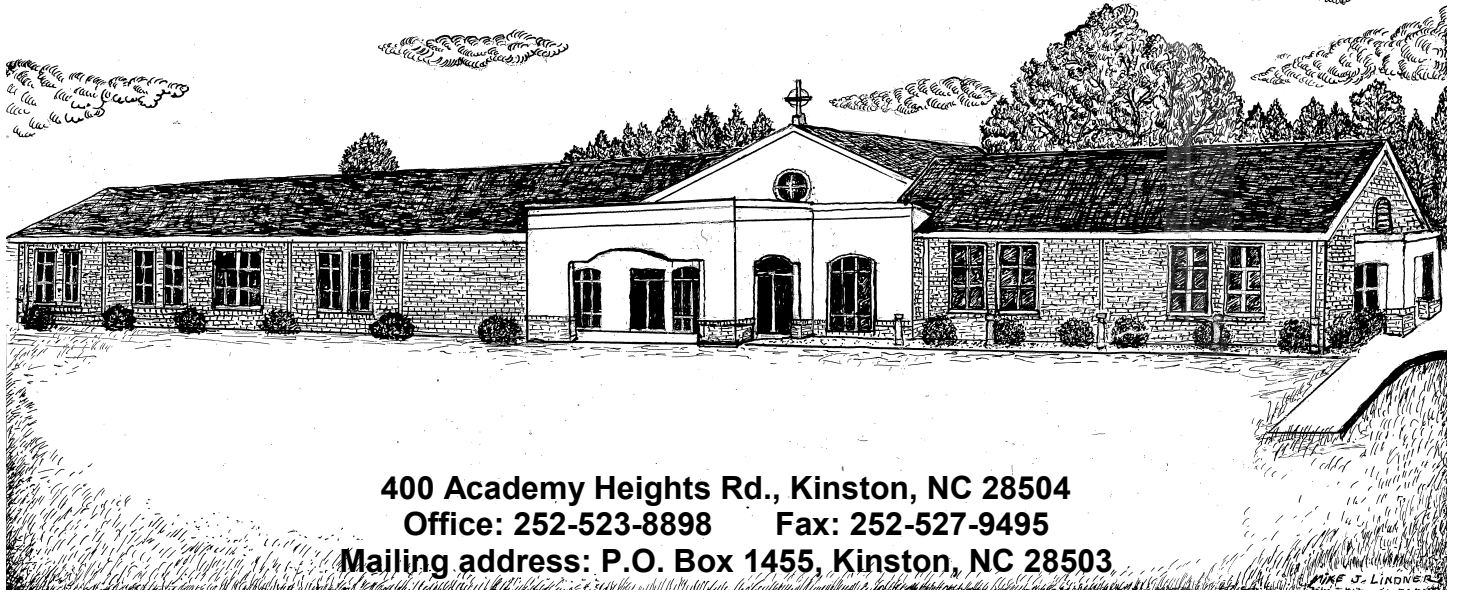


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Mass Schedule (During Pandemic Times)

Weekdays: Mass times announced via text alert system

Weekend:

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| Saturday | 5:00 PM | English |
| Sunday | 9:00 AM | English |
| Sunday | 10:15 AM | Spanish |
| Sunday | 11:30 AM | Spanish |

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Or any time by appointment with Fr. Arturo

FOURTH SUNDAY EASTER
APRIL 25TH 2021

CUARTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA
25 DE ABRIL DE 2021



YO SOY EL BUEN PASTOR

April 25, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Easter

RESPONDING TO THE CALL

Do we truly know the voice of Christ? Do we truly respond to the voice of our shepherd with our own distinctive voice? How often we attempt to imitate those around us, appropriating the response of another member of the flock to Christ. Perhaps we need to balance the image of being sheep of one flock with the image from the second reading, which tells us that we are all children of God. What child has precisely the same interaction with parents as his or her siblings? Instead, they frequently do and say things to distinguish themselves in the eyes of their parents.

Whether we use the image of children or of sheep to understand our relationship with Christ, we believe that we are all known and called by name. With this great gift comes a responsibility: to respond to the call with our own distinctive voice, to take time to discern exactly what our call is, to determine precisely what the will of the Father is for each of us.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — 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 — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

Pope's Monthly Intention

April 2021: Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

From the Pastor

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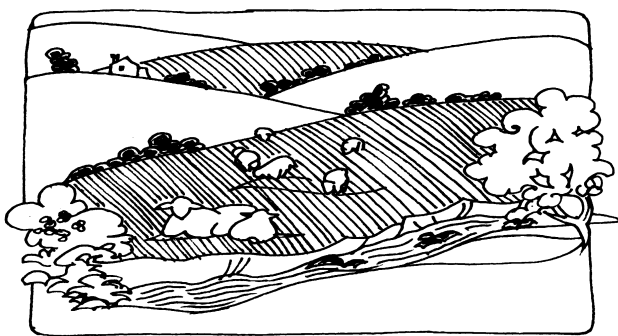
Dear Parishioners,

On the fourth Sunday of Easter, the Church always offers us the Gospel of the Good Shepherd for reflection on the liturgy. This image of the Good Shepherd gains all its force in this liturgical season when we celebrate the fact of the Lord's death as a sign of his love for human beings. He, as a Good Shepherd, preferred to die to save his sheep.

The Church invites us to pray for the shepherds who care for the Church at this time: the Holy Father, the bishops and priests. We ask the Good Shepherd to fill all the shepherds of the Church with sentiments of love.

The Church also invites us to pray for vocations to the priesthood on this Sunday especially. As the Lord Himself commended us, we should pray that he will send workers into his harvest.

Yours Sincerely, Fr. Arturo



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ON WEALTH

Nothing is more fallacious than wealth. It is a hostile comrade, a domestic enemy.

—St. John Chrysostom

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are few openings for “Shepherds” in the classified ads today, but few occupations are as dear to the Christian heart. Most of us tenderly place shepherds by our Christmas cribs, name the Twenty-third Psalm as our favorite, and recognize “Good Shepherd” as a title of Jesus. Bishops carry a staff, called a crozier, modeled after the shepherd’s walking staff. Long before Christian artists painted Jesus on the cross, they traced on the walls of their worship places images of a strong young shepherd, shouldering a lost sheep and bringing it to safety. Springtime is the season of lambing, a time when the shepherd not only learns the faces of the new arrivals, but also when the newborn sheep become attuned to the voice of the shepherd. This is exactly what we do as a community in Easter as we shelter and guide the newly received Christians, and also put our Lenten muscles to good use: listening more attentively to God’s Word, and responding with springtime vigor to God’s call.

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Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

**For the Weekend of April 11th, 2021
(Fiscal Year starts July 1st)**

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| 1st collection April 12th, 2020:..... | \$965.00 |
| 1st collection April 11th, 2021:..... | \$1,265.00 |
| Accum. 1st collection previous year..... | \$69,629.00 |
| Accum. 1st collection current year..... | \$66,705.00 |
| Building Maintenance April 2020..... | \$1,790.00 |
| Building Maintenance April 2021..... | \$1,844.00 |

Next Weekend Second Collection

Name: Building Maintenance

Purpose: Monthly effort to raise extra funds to cover the expenses of the parish buildings that the regular collection cannot cover.

Type: Parish level (all funds remain in the parish for parish use only).

Second collections are optional. Parishioners are given this choice at the moment of passing the baskets.

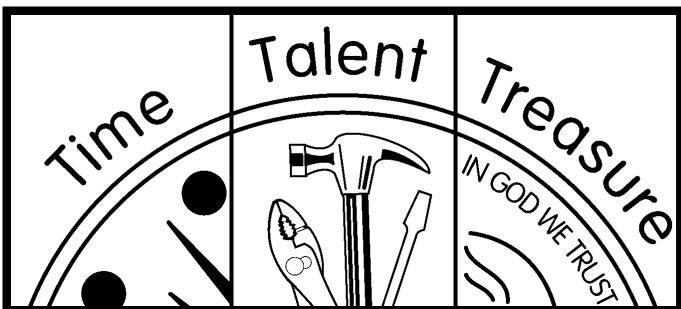
Segunda Colecta del Siguiete Domingo

Nombre: Mantenimiento de los Edificios Parroquiales

Propósito: Campaña mensual que recoge fondos extras para pagar los gastos de los edificios parroquiales que la colecta regular no puede cubrir.

Clase: Nivel parroquial (todos los fondos se quedan en la parroquia para su uso exclusivo).

Las segundas colectas son opcionales. A los parroquianos se les da ésta opción a momento en que circula la canasta



Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA)

As of Friday April 9th/A la fecha del 9 de Abril:

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| Parish goal/Meta: | \$13,385.00 |
| Amount pledged/Cantidad Prometida: | \$ 8,870.00 |
| Percentage of goal/Porcentaje de meta: | 66% |
| Participation/Participación: | 50 families |
| Thank you /Muchas gracias | |

African American History & Heritage

April 30th: Black children are admitted to public schools in Philadelphia, PA-1822

Saints of the Week

Wednesday, April 28th: (1) Saint Peter Chanel, Priest, Martyr; died 1841 at age 38; French Marist missionary on the Pacific islands of Wallis and Futuna where he was martyred; destroyed cult of evil spirits; protomartyr and patron of Oceania.

(2) Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest; died 1716 at age 43; from Brittany; studied at Saint Sulpice; hospital chaplain and founder of the Congregation of the Daughters of Wisdom; apostolic missionary whose preaching led to a spiritual revival in his native Brittany; established numerous confraternities for the recitation of the rosary; founded (1705) the Missionaries of the Company of Mary, today numbering about 930 religious. Chief work: *True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin*.

Thursday, April 29th: Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church; died 1380 at age 33; Sister of the Dominican Order (tertiary), mystic, and author (*The Dialogue*); peacemaker within the Church and renewer of religious life; worked toward ending the Avignon papacy under Gregory XI (1377); declared doctor of the Church in 1970; patroness of Italy and, together with St. Bridget of Sweden (23 July) and St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross [Edith Stein] (9 August), co-patroness of Europe.

Friday, April 30th: Saint Pius V, Pope; died 1 May 1572 at age 68; implemented the reforms of the Council of Trent; promulgated the *Roman Catechism*, the *Roman Missal*, and the *Roman Breviary*.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, May 7th, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. A sign-up sheet is located in the atrium for anyone who would like to volunteer to spend some time in adoration. Parishioners may sign up for one or more 30 minute segments. Someone must be present in front of the Blessed Sacrament while it is exposed.



Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento

El viernes 7 de mayo de las 9:00am a la 1:00pm. Una hoja para anotarse está localizada en el atrio para los que quieran pasar algún tiempo en adoración. Parroquianos pueden anotarse para uno o más segmentos de 30 minutos. Alguien tiene que estar presente mientras el Santísimo Sacramento está expuesto.



25 de Abril de 2021 Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

RESPUESTA AL LLAMADO

¿Realmente conocemos la voz de Cristo?
¿Respondemos realmente a la voz de nuestro pastor, con nuestra propia y distintiva voz? ¿Con qué frecuencia intentamos imitar a los que nos rodean, apropiándonos de la respuesta de otro miembro del rebaño de Cristo? Tal vez la necesidad de equilibrar la imagen de ser ovejas de un rebaño con la imagen de la segunda lectura, que nos dice que todos somos hijos de Dios. ¿Qué hijo tiene precisamente la misma interacción con los padres como sus hermanos? Por el contrario, con frecuencia hacen y dicen cosas que se distinguen en los ojos de sus padres.

Ya sea que utilicemos la imagen de los niños o de las ovejas para entender nuestra relación con Cristo, creemos que todos somos conocidos y llamados por su nombre. Con este gran regalo viene la responsabilidad: responder a la llamada con la voz propia y distintiva, sacar un tiempo para discernir exactamente cuál es nuestro llamado, para determinar con precisión cuál es la voluntad del Padre para cada uno de nosotros.
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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Sólo en Jesús encontrará el mundo la salvación (Hechos 4:8-12).

Salmo — La piedra que desecharon los arquitectos, es ahora la piedra angular (Salmo 118 [117]).

Segunda lectura — Nos hemos convertido en hijos de Dios por el amor que el Padre nos tiene (1 Juan 3:1-2).

Evangelio — El Padre ama a Jesús, el Buen Pastor, que da la vida por sus ovejas (Juan 10:11-18).

Intención Mensual del Papa

Abril de 2021: Derechos fundamentales

Oramos por quienes arriesgan su vida mientras luchan por los derechos fundamentales bajo dictaduras, regímenes autoritarios e incluso en democracias en crisis.

Notas del Párroco

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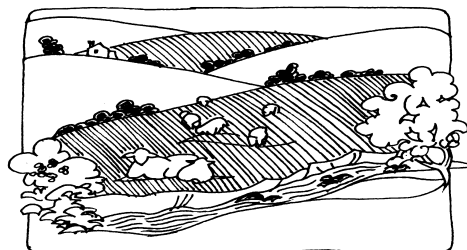
Estimados Feligreses,

El cuarto domingo de Pascua la Iglesia siempre nos propone el evangelio del Buen Pastor para la reflexión de la liturgia. Esta imagen del Buen Pastor cobra toda su fuerza en este tiempo litúrgico cuando celebramos el hecho de la muerte del Señor como muestra de su amor por los seres humanos. El como un Buen Pastor prefirió morir para salvar a sus ovejas.

La Iglesia nos invita a orar por los pastores que cuidan de la Iglesia en este momento: el Santo Padre, los obispos y sacerdotes. Pedimos al Buen Pastor que llene de sentimientos de amor a todos los pastores de la Iglesia.

La Iglesia también nos invita a orar por vocaciones al sacerdocio en este domingo especialmente. Como el Señor mismo nos recomendó, debemos orar para que él envíe obreros a su mies.

Cordialmente, Padre Arturo



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UN ENEMIGO

Nada es más falaz que la riqueza. Hoy está por ti y mañana contra ti. Arma los ojos del envidioso por todas partes. Es un camarada hostil, un enemigo doméstico.
—San Juan Crisóstomo

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En el año 1674 una Argentina, Doña Ana Mattos de Siqueyras se llevó a su casa una imagen de la Virgen María para hacerle una capillita en sus terrenos a un lado del río Luján. La imagen era de reputación milagrosa y Doña Ana deseaba tenerla cerquita de su hogar. Al día siguiente la imagen se había regresado a un eremitorio donde la cuidaba un esclavo africano llamado Manuel. Esto le pasó un par de veces hasta que se le ocurrió a Doña Ana llevarse en peregrinación a ambos María y Manuel. Desde entonces en una capilla abierta al público María se quedó sin ningún problema.

Como muchos ricos, Doña Ana quería echarse a Dios en el bolsillo llevándose para si misma la imagen de María. Pero nuestra Señora de Luján tenía otro plan. Ella deseaba estar con el esclavo Manuel y con el pueblo. En fin, Doña Ana se fijó que a Dios y su madre no los controla nadie y nadie los puede hacer su propiedad; por lo contrario, ellos se entregan a los pobres y desamparados.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Mass Intentions for the week

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| Tue. April 27 | Open Mass Intention |
| Wed. April 28 | Open Mass Intention |
| Thurs. April 29 | Open Mass Intention |
| Fri. April 30 | †Lela Garfeild Req. by Ivory Meadows |
| Sat. May 1 | Open Mass Intention |
| Sun. May 2 | Miguel Cabreza Req. by Vicki Cabreza Open Mass Intention Holy Spirit Parishioners |

† Denotes an intention for the deceased

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today the Holy Father has asked all Catholics to intercede for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priests and deacons in prayer throughout the week.
- Encourage your children or grandchildren to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

Jornada Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones

Hoy el Santo Padre ha pedido a todos los católicos que intercedan por las vocaciones. ¿Harás un esfuerzo especial para pedirle al Señor más vocaciones al sacerdocio y la vida religiosa?

- Ora por los sacerdotes que te han servido a lo largo de tu vida, tanto vivos como muertos.
- Mantén a nuestros párrocos y diáconos en oración durante toda la semana.
- Anima a tus hijos o nietos a considerar una vocación como sacerdote o hermano o hermana religiosa.
- Reza un rosario para que más hombres y mujeres jóvenes de nuestra diócesis respondan al llamado de Dios.

Wedding

We express our congratulations to Eustacio Aguilar Rubio and Pamela Gonzalez, who were married at Holy Spirit on Saturday, April 17th.

Boda

Expresamos nuestras felicitaciones a Eustacio Aguilar Rubio y Pamela Gonzalez, quienes se casaron en la Iglesia el sábado 17 de abril.

Baptism Announcements

On Saturday, April 17th, the following children were baptized at Holy Spirit:

Angely Sophia Pérez-Otero (14 months old), daughter of Hermelindo Locadio Pérez-Pérez and Rocío Otero-Zúñiga.

Alberto Gámez Jr. (3 years old), son of Alberto Gámez and Adela Díaz-Acuña.

Anuncios de Bautismo

El sábado, 17 de abril las siguientes niños fueron bautizados en la parroquia:

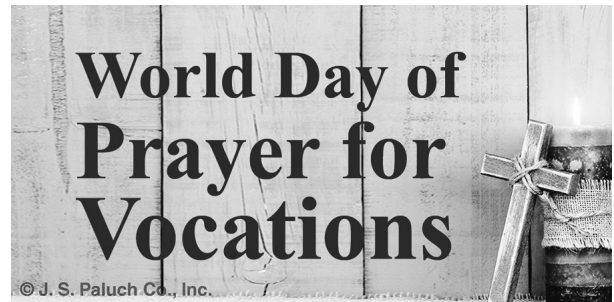
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Traditional Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, through Thy most sweet Heart we humbly beseech Thee that Thou, O eternal pastor, wouldst not desert Thy flock in its affliction, but wouldst refresh it with the spirit which Thou didst so abundantly pour forth upon Thine apostles. We beg of Thee to call many to the priesthood and the religious state. We beg of Thee to fill those whom Thou dost choose with zeal for Thy glory and the salvation of souls. May they be sanctified in Thee. May Thy Holy spirit strengthen them against all adversity.

O Jesus give us priests and religious according to Thine own heart. Amen.



We kindly ask that you pray for the following parishioners and loved ones: Lee Alphin, Mila Q. Arionday, Joseph Bennet, Betty Billings, Julie Blue,

Judyth Boyette, Michael Cannon, Harry Daniels, Kathy and Monroe Clevenger, Brenda Edwards, Patrick Gallagher, Trey Hamlin, Mary Alice Hargitt, Fabian & Joyce Hayden, Beth Stalnaker Hill, Maria Hill, Johnny Hinson, Baylor Jackson, John Jones, Bonnie and Andrew Kasper, Beth Kirby, Sonia Koonce, Maria Linder, Charles Thomas McDonald, Caroline McMahon, Ivory Meadows, Robert Melton, Fredrick Miller, Basil Moots, Alan Ortiz, Benita Parker, Ariana N. Parkman, Jackie Pitt, Genie Register, Herb Register, Gina Riggs, Anne Ruggiero, Phil Ryals, Msgr. Jerry Sherba, Laydon Stanley, Lillian Stogner, John & Julie Stowawy, Karen Stubbs, Darlene Vaughn, Henry Ward, and Justin Wharton.