



GOOD SHEPHERD

Catholic Community



Our paschal lamb,
CHRIST,
has been sacrificed.
Therefore, let us
celebrate the feast.

1 CORINTHIANS 5:7-8

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021

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BE DISCIPLES. MAKE DISCIPLES.

IN WELCOMING ALL, WE FORM DISCIPLES WHO KNOW, LOVE, AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR.

Welcome! We're so glad you're here.

At Good Shepherd, we seek to foster a lifestyle of discipleship focused on the five characteristics of a disciple: **welcome**, **encounter**, **grow**, **serve**, and **share**. Learn more at gsc.net/disciples

If you are visiting, we hope you will stop by our Welcome Desk in the Narthex for a gift! If you'd like to become a member, visit gsc.net/register. To learn more about becoming Catholic, visit gsc.net/becomingcatholic

Weekend Masses:

Sat: 5:00pm | Sun: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, & 4:00pm

Daily Masses:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 8:30am

Tues: 7:00am | Wed: 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Mon: 9:00am | Wed: 6:00pm | Thurs: 7:00pm

Sat: 3:30 - 4:30pm

By appointment: 817-421-1387

Sacrament of Anointing: Please see a priest after Mass or contact the parish office: 817-421-1387

Sacrament of Baptism: To register for Pre-Baptism Class, visit gsc.net

Sacrament of Matrimony: Before scheduling your wedding, contact the parish office to begin preparing for the Sacrament at least eight months prior.

Marriage Validations: To have your marriage validated as a sacrament by the Church, contact Tammy Sandoval: 817-421-1387

Funeral Rites: Before making arrangements with the funeral director, contact Tammy Sandoval: 817-442-4034

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday through Saturday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Wednesday, Sunday: 5:30-8:30pm

Contact Information & Pastoral Staff

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Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs: 8:00am - 5:00pm | Fri: 8:00am - 2:00pm

Sat: 9:00am - 5:00pm | Sun: 8:00am - 5:00pm

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This Week at a Glance

A = Adults | Y = Youth | P = Parish-Wide (varied ages)

Monday, April 5

- Y// GSCC Senior Scholarships Deadline
- A// RCIA 7:00pm (Rooms St. Maria Goretti & St. Elizabeth of Hungary)
- A// DivorceCare 7:00pm (via Zoom)

Tuesday, April 6

- A// Faith & Focus Men's Study 5:30am (Parish Hall)
- A// Men's Scripture Study 9:30 am (St. Maria Goretti & St. Elizabeth of Hungary)
- A// Women Growing in Faith 9:30am (via Zoom)
- A// Parish Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm (Church)
- A// Men's Club 6:30pm (Parish Hall)
- A// Women's Choral Rehearsal 7:00pm (Church)
- A// Walking with Purpose 7:00pm (Online)
- A// Schola Cantorum Rehearsal 8:00pm (Church)

Wednesday, April 7

- Y// Renovate 6:30pm (Shepherd Center)

Thursday, April 8

- A// Modern Worship Rehearsal 3:00pm (Church)
- A// GriefShare 7:00pm (via Zoom)
- A// Experience SCC 7:00pm (via Zoom)

Friday, April 9

- A// Baby Looms 9:30am (St. Dominic Savio)
- A// Singles 40+ 7:00pm (via Zoom)

Saturday, April 10

- P// Matt Maher Live in Concert 8:00pm (GSCC Upper Room)

Visit gsc.net/bulletin to access an interactive version of this bulletin with live links to all web pages mentioned.

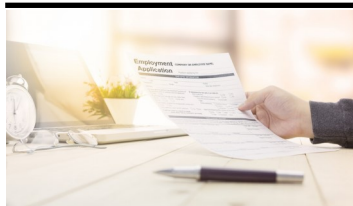
Office Closure



Please note that our offices will be closed on April 2 and April 5 in observance of the Triduum and Easter Monday. Daily Mass will continue as scheduled but there will be no Adoration

or Reconciliation during this time.

Now Hiring!

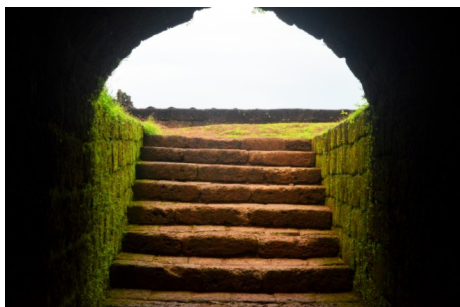


GSCC is now hiring a Director of Music. If you are interested in learning more and applying, please visit gsc.net/employment.

Has your contact information or address changed?
Email Bryan Trachier: btrachier@gsc.net

Weekly Reflection

Easter Sunday | April 4



REJOICE AND BE GLAD
During the first three or four centuries of Christianity, if you asked a Christian to name the feast days of the church, your answer would

have been a puzzled stare, for there was only one feast: the Resurrection of the Lord. Every Sunday was a feast celebrating the one great feast. Even though our calendar now has many beautiful and holy feasts, we must continually be called back to the fact that all these other feasts exist because of the feast of Christ's passover from death to life. The psalm today proclaims this message well: "This is the day." It is not one of many days, but it is the day of all days, the one that gives all the others their origin, purpose, meaning, and destiny. Listen carefully to Peter's speech in Acts with its recollection of the Passion, to the words of the apostle Paul, and to the account of Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter finding the empty tomb, and you will hear the many wonderful works that God has done for us through Christ. Rejoice and be glad!

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Reminder Regarding In-Person Mass

At this time the faithful are still dispensed in charity from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. In addition to in-person Masses, weekend Masses will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook until all restrictions have been lifted. All attending Mass are asked to do so with patience and understanding. Please follow the directions given by the parish staff and liturgical disciples before and after Mass.

If you are planning to attend Mass at Good Shepherd Catholic Community, it is important to know the liturgical adaptations implemented on June 24. For a complete list of requirements, please visit gssc.net/important-announcement.

Out of love and charity to our neighbors, please do not come to Mass if you are showing any symptoms of sickness. Pregnant women and those with pre-existing conditions are highly encouraged to stay at home during this Phase I of re-opening our parish community. Let us all continue to pray for those who have been afflicted by the COVID-19 pandemic through illness, economic hardship, or fear and anxiety.

Vocations Corner



**Third Order Regular:
Franciscan Rule and
Life**

**Chapter VI: The Life
of Poverty**

21. All the sisters and brothers zealously follow the poverty and humility of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Though rich beyond measure (2 Cor. 8:9), he emptied himself for our sake (Phil. 2:7) and with the holy virgin, His mother, Mary, He chose poverty in this world. Let them be mindful that they should have only those goods of this world which, as the Apostle says, "Provide enough food and sufficient clothing; with these we are content." (1 Tim. 6:8). Let them particularly beware of money. And let them be happy to live among the outcast and despised, among the poor, the weak, the sick, the unwanted, the oppressed and the destitute.

22. The truly poor in spirit, following the example of the Lord, live in this world as pilgrims and strangers (Mt. 10:27-29). They neither appropriate nor defend anything as their own. So excellent is this most high poverty that it makes us heirs and rulers of the kingdom of heaven. It makes us materially poor, but rich in virtue (Jn. 2:5). Let this poverty alone be our portion because it leads to the land of the living (Ps. 141:6). Clinging completely to it let us, for the sake of Our Lord Jesus Christ, never want anything else under heaven.

Mass Readings & Intentions: 4/5-4/11

Mon 8:30am	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15 +Sarah Davenport by the Apodaca family
Tues 7:00am 8:30am	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15 Rich & Lavon Bolech by John & Loretta Funk +Joseph Piot by the Stephen family
Wed 8:30am 7:00pm	Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35 +Bryan Wall by Laura Whitlock +Dr. Richard Peters by the Muraski family
Thurs 8:30am	Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48 +Earl Riis by the Gorey family
Fri 8:30am	Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14 +Don Kelly by Judy Noroski
Sat 8:30am	Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15 Families of miscarried babies by Respect Life

SUNDAY

Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Sat 5:00pm	+William Glenn Smith by the Overby family
Sun 7:00am	Living & Deceased of our Parish by the Pastor
Sun 9:00am	+Isabel Palandro by the Upperman family
Sun 11:00am	+Stephen Miller by family
Sun 4:00pm	Holy Souls by the Upperman family

WELCOME



A disciple **WELCOMES** God's people.

As a community of faith, we welcome all who come through our doors as Jesus Christ, and we challenge each member of Good Shepherd to practice radical hospitality by actively seeking out and inviting others to Good Shepherd.

Be Disciples. Make Disciples.

Have you been affected by Covid-19?



Have you or your family been affected by COVID-19? Please let us know! Visit gssc.net/affected-by-covid-19 and fill out the form to let our Friars know the impact COVID has had on you or your family. Our Friars wish to help in any way they can!

Offer Prayers & Receive Prayers



Prayer Requests

Would you like prayers for a loved one? And/or, would you like to pray for others? Please visit our webpage at gssc.net/prayerrequests to submit a

prayer request, and we will send out a prayer request email to those who have signed up to pray for your loved one. You can also visit this web page to sign up to receive prayer emails so that we can intercede for our brothers and sisters in Christ. Do you have prayers of thanksgiving? Visit the web page above so that we can give thanks to God for blessings received.

Feed Our Friars



Do you like to cook? Our four friars love a homemade meal! Visit gssc.net/FOF to sign up or call Elly Lara: 817-421-1387.

Upcoming Gathering



Friday, April 16
12:00pm at Colleyville Library

Social Seniors

This is a ministry for senior aged parishioners. Join us to meet up with old friends and make some new ones!

We have been meeting outdoors on the first Friday of each month at noon, depending on the weather. gssc.net/socialseniors

Stewardship Reflection

"I will be their God and they shall be my people."

- JEREMIAH 31:33

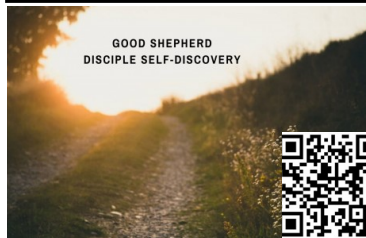
What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

Parish E-Newsletter



Are you receiving our weekly e-newsletter? To receive updates on important info and events, visit gssc.net and scroll to the footer on any page to sign up!

New OR Longtime Parishioner? Start Here!



Good Shepherd exists to call each of our members, wherever they are, to a lifestyle of discipleship that involves **WELCOMING** God's people, **ENCOUNTERING** Jesus Christ, **GROWING** in Jesus Christ, **SERVING**

God's people, and **SHARING** the Gospel. As we seek to live out these five characteristics of a disciple, we may find that we are a new, growing, or missionary disciple. Visit gssc.net/disciplesroadmap to take our Disciple Self-Discovery to see where YOU are on your journey as a disciple of Jesus. Your results will offer practical suggestions for taking the next step forward as a disciple.

A disciple ENCOUNTERS Jesus Christ.

We desire that parishioners, seekers, and guests experience the love of God the Father through a transformative encounter with Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit, leading them to commit their lives to Jesus as disciples.
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ENCOUNTER



Divine Mercy Sunday



Sunday, April 11

2:00pm in the Church

"I demand from you deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me." Jesus to St. Faustina (Notebook II Item 742)

Join us in the church for the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Holy Hour. For those who wish to join in the devotion of the Divine Mercy Novena preceding the Holy Hour, the novena begins on Good Friday. There will be Divine Mercy pamphlets available in the Narthex on Good Friday if you wish to pray the novena (supply limited to 500).

Weekly Faith Resources

Check out these featured videos on AscensionPress.com this week! For more resources, visit gsc.net/resources



Fr. Mike's Easter Special

For this first week of Easter, Fr. Mike wants us to know how important we are to Jesus. When Jesus rose from the dead, the first people he encountered were Mary Magdalene and his disciples—the ones who believed in him. This Easter, because we believe in him, he comes to us first as well, and he tells us to go spread the Good News to the rest of the world. <https://media.ascensionpress.com/video/fr-mikes-easter-special/>



Run to the Risen Jesus This Easter!

The disciples ran to the empty tomb when they heard about the risen Jesus on the first Easter. Even Peter, who ran away from him and then denied him three times, ran to Jesus. Do we have that kind of excitement when it comes to embracing our risen Lord? We are not citizens of this world. We are made for heaven, and in this Easter Octave the joy in acknowledging that fact resonates throughout the Church. So take heart and have hope in the resurrection, no matter what you may be going through. <https://watch.formed.org/saint-joseph/videos/joseph-of-nazareth-the-story-of-the-man-closest-to-christ>



FLOWER DONATIONS for the month of February

Thank you to all those who contributed to our celebrations. Your generosity has provided flowers at the altar and at the statues of our Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph.

DONATION FROM:

Mr. & Mrs. Harold M
Michael & Mary C

IN MEMORY

Stephen E. M
Ed & Anne C/Bob & Gloria W

DONATIONS TO GOOD SHEPHERD FLOWER FUND

Mr. & Mrs. Patrick D
Mr. & Mrs. William J
Mr. & Mrs. Cullin T
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Mr. & Mrs. Ben W

Mr. & Mrs. Christopher G
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Mr. & Mrs. John P
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Ms. Agatha C
Mr. & Mrs. Robert D
Mr. & Mrs. Michael D
Ms. Andrea R
Mr. & Mrs. Zachary S

Art & Environment Fresh Flowers



Would you like to commemorate special days in the year? Donations for flowers on our altars or at the Blessed Mother will be to honor or memorialize the special people and events in our lives. Flowers can fittingly mark the anniversary of a birth, baptism, confirmation, marriage or death, as well as expressions of thanksgiving during Easter, Mother's or Father's Day, and Christmas. Arrangements will be of seasonal flowers only, no exotics, and are ordered by the Art & Environment committee only.

Donations of any amount are accepted. Outside of the seasons of Easter and Christmas no more than 3 arrangements can be on the church altar, two placed near the candles and one in front of the Ambo. The parish bulletin will have acknowledgements of these donations on a monthly basis.

The donations made during Lent are for the Easter season flowers and plants.

Thank you for supporting this new effort at Good Shepherd!

For donations, please complete the form below or use your monthly **FLOWER COLLECTION ENVELOPE**:

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Please provide the following information at least two (2) weeks in advance:

Your name _____ \$ _____.

Email _____

phone number _____ (used only for questions)

Check one:

_____ In honor of _____

_____ In memory of _____

_____ In thanksgiving of _____

I would like this gift used towards:

_____ Holy Week and Easter Season

_____ Commemoration Month of _____

_____ Blessed Mother/ Altar Flowers for Mother's or Father's Day

_____ Pentecost Altar Decor

_____ Confirmation flowers

_____ Advent and Christmas Season

Please place this form, along with your donation, in an envelope marked **Attn: A&E**

- in the weekly collection basket
- in the parish office or by mail at GSCC 1000 Tinker Rd, Colleyville, TX 76034

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Holy Trinity Catholic School Presents:

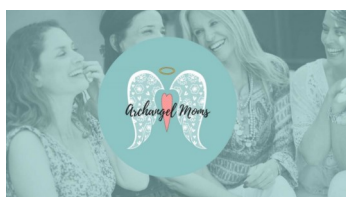
Matt Maher
Live!
Saturday, April 10
8:00P.M.
Good Shepherd Catholic Community
Upper Room
A Benefit Concert For
HOLY TRINITY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

In lieu of our annual Gala, Holy Trinity Catholic School is excited to announce **Matt Maher Live in Concert!** Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 8:00pm. The proceeds from the concert will benefit Holy Trinity Catholic School. Matt will be performing live at Good Shepherd Catholic Community's Upper Room. Seating will be limited and there will only be 139 tickets available. *Tickets are guaranteed with a committed sponsorship by March 7, 2021.* Remaining tickets available will be sold online. For those not attending the in-person concert, a Live Stream Pass will be available for purchase.

Silent Auction

Our Holy Trinity Catholic School annual silent auction will be held Saturday, April 10 - Sunday April 11, 2021. Golden Tickets and Grand Raffle Tickets can be purchased starting March 8, 2021. Visit [HTCS GALA21](https://aesbid.com/ELP/HTCSGALA21) (<https://aesbid.com/ELP/HTCSGALA21>) to learn more.

Archangel Moms



Archangel Moms Meeting
Friday, April 2
10:00am-12:00pm
at Leslie's House

Join us as we pray and discuss chapter 9 of our Spring book, *The Story of a Soul*.

We look forward to seeing you there!
gsc.net/archangelmoms

GSCC Students

Good Shepherd has a number of great scholarship opportunities available for parish seniors in high school. These scholarships are sponsored by:

- Women's Group
- Kathy Albert Memorial Scholarship
- MENS CLUB
- CATHOLIC RESPECT LIFE
- K of C

Learn more about each scholarship as well as eligibility criteria by visiting gsc.net/scholarships
Application Deadline: April 5, 2021 at 5:00pm

GSCC Singles 40+



April 1, 15 (Gathering)
April 9, 23 (Social)
7:00 - 9:00pm

Single Adults 40+ will meet via Zoom on the first and third Thursdays at 7:00pm to discuss the Readings for the upcoming Sunday

Mass. On the second and fourth Fridays will be social get-togethers via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. with the option of meeting at a restaurant with an outdoor patio or open space. For details, email Claudia or Kate at singleadultsfortyplus@gsc.net or check out gsc.net/singles



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Women Growing in Faith



Galatians: Set Free to Live

April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25

9:30am via Zoom

Galatians: Set Free to Live speaks of the extraordinary gift of salvation Jesus has won for us and explains how we can unite ourselves to Christ's redeeming sacrifice through faith and love. Presenter Jeff Cavins explains how Christ fulfilled the Law and set us free to live in the Spirit. Learn what "justification" means and how faith and works are an integral part of it. Discover how we become heirs to the promises and blessings of Christ through faith.

Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance

April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25

9:30am via Zoom

Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance examines several themes that are of special concern to Christians in today's culture and society—the nature of marriage, the purpose and role of the Church, the preeminence of grace in God's plan, and the reality of spiritual warfare.

Presenter Jeff Cavins explores what Paul's letter to the Ephesians tells us about the nature of the Church—as a body, as a household, as a mystery, as a communion, as a bride, and as an army. Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance shows the treasures that await us as adopted sons and daughters in the family of God.

Learn more and register: gsc.net/scripturestudy

An Invitation to Renewal from Fr. Ron



Dear friend in Christ,

I greet you in the name of the Risen Christ.

Spring is all around us and we feel the energy of the season. We may also experience a call from our souls to begin, or even re-begin or renew, our spiritual journey.

We, at Good Shepherd Catholic Community, again respectfully invite you to walk with us and learn more about the Catholic faith and

perspective.

We continue to gather in person each Monday at 7:00pm in the parish center. We welcome your presence. Please call or write me at 817-421-1387 or RMohnickey@gsc.net. You can also contact Mary Z. at volunteer@gsc.net.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Ron

DivorceCare



**Mondays,
March 1 - May 24
7:00pm via Zoom**

DivorceCare is a weekly seminar/support group that will help you heal from the hurt. It's a warm, caring environment led by people who understand what you are going through. Gain hope for your future.

gsc.net/divorcecare

Welcome to the following individuals who came into the church over the last year at GSCC!



Taylor 5/30/20



Sean 5/30/20



Isabella 7/14/20



Wes 7/14/20



Jeff 5/30/20



Robert 5/30/20



Jenna 7/14/20



Mercy 9/13/20



Calloway 5/30/20



Elizabeth 5/30/20



Josephine 7/14/20



Holly 12/13/20



Lorie 5/30/20



Travis 5/30/20



Samuel 7/14/20



Keagan 12/13/20



Kelly 12/13/20



Hannah 12/13/20



Britney 4/3/21



Chris S. 4/3/21



Bazeen 12/13/20



Joshua 12/13/20



Alex 4/3/21



Jeremy 4/3/21



Zhanna 12/13/20



Tim 12/23/20



Chelsea 4/3/21



Lauren 4/2/21



James 12/13/20



Noah 1/23/21



Chris G 4/3/21

Please pray for and encourage these new Catholics. They continue to need your example, support, welcome, and prayers. To Christ be the glory now and forever!



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Experience Small Church Communities



Experience Small Church Communities is for people who are interested in registering to join a Small Church Community – in-person or virtually. In-person Small Church Communities will vary depending on the group preferences. gsc.net/scc

Virtual Small Church Communities: Weekly on Thursdays April 8 – May 20
7:00pm – 8:30pm via Zoom

April 8: Episode 1—What Do You Seek?
April 15: Episode 2—Who Are You?
April 22: Episode 3—Why a God?
April 29: Episode 4—What's Our Story?
May 6: Episode 5—Who Is Jesus?
May 13: Episode 6—Am I Saved?

Catholic Men's Conference



Saturday, April 10
8:00am—12:00pm

All men 18 and older, and young men 15 and older accompanied by a parent, are invited to the 10th annual North Texas Catholic Men's conference on Saturday, April 10th from 8 a.m. to noon at nearby St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Frisco. Details, online registration and sponsorship opportunities are available online at catholicbrothersforchrist.com. The upcoming conference theme is ***"Come to the Table, Where Grace Begins"*** which builds upon the Gospel of Luke. During the morning conference, safe distancing measures will be in place, and so attendance is limited per church and Diocesan guidelines. Safe distancing and safety masks will be used inside the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church sanctuary. Registration is a snap on our

website, and you're encouraged to invite relatives and friends. The cost is \$25. The student rate is \$15, and free to clergy and seminarians.

Men will participate in Eucharistic Adoration and can receive reconciliation, and will enjoy prayer and fellowship plus outstanding worship music.

A disciple SERVES God's people.

We give our grateful response to God's gifts through a life of service to God and neighbor by daily personal prayer, by generously supporting the needs of the Church, and by participating in parish ministries and initiatives.

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SERVE

Mission Trip: One Day Mission

MISSION TRIP

ONE DAY MISSION

Saturday, April 24

8:00am-2:00pm at St. George Catholic School

Our parish mission team has put together a special outreach activity to assist St. George School on Sat, April 24, 2021 from 8am-2pm. Our goal is to make their outdoor sports space more inviting and comfortable by replacing and improving their existing bleachers. We'll also be adding a much needed new coat of paint to classrooms making them more inviting for the children. This opportunity is open to all members of our parish - both families and individuals.

After completing our work, we will serve a ballpark lunch of hot dogs, chips and all the extras thanking St. George staff and students for the opportunity to serve them. We'll wrap up the day with a game of baseball with the kids. Please join

us by signing up to volunteer for this special event. We look forward to seeing you as we strive to be God's hands and feet in the community! gsc.net/missiontrip

Prayer Shawls for Comfort & Support



Who Needs a Prayer Shawl?

This ministry is a wonderful way to demonstrate God's love, comfort, and mercy to people experiencing difficult times.

Members meet to knit and/or crochet as a group and pray over the shawls and lap blankets. If you prefer to knit or crochet on your own and then bring shawls to our ministry to pray over, simply bring your creations to the Parish Office and complete a donation card. As well, donations of regular worsted yarn are appreciated! You do not need to be a parishioner to receive a prayer shawl or blanket.

Visit gsc.net/prayershawlministry to learn more or contact prayershawl@gsc.net to request a prayer shawl.

Donation Drop-off Station



Saturday, April 17

8:30-11:30am Outside the Parish Hall

Join us next Saturday for our next Donation Drop-off Station. This month we'll focus our collection on the needs of St John's Baby World and Outreach: diapers, baby wipes, baby lotion, shampoo and soap

As always, we gratefully accept donations for our Outreach Partners at Catholic Charities; GRACE; Union Gospel Mission; St Johns Baby World and Outreach; Safe Haven; Mid Cities Care Corp; and Cassata Catholic High School.

For more details on how you can help during this Donation Drop-Off Station, please visit gsc.net/donationstation

Stephen Ministry

EXHAUSTED BY THE PANDEMIC?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FACE IT ALONE.

A Stephen Minister can walk alongside you or a loved one to offer support and care—and it's free and confidential.

To learn more, please contact Keith or Jody Taylor at stephenministry@gsc.net





A disciple SHARES the Gospel.

We are empowered as Spirit-filled missionary disciples to share the Good News of the saving victory of Jesus Christ in our families, places of work, friendships, and neighborhoods.
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Sidewalk Advocacy

Praying to end abortion

April 10, 2021

11 - noon

Whole Women's Health, 3256 Lackland Rd., Ft. Worth
Sidewalk Advocacy is an extension of 40 Days for Life and seeks to build a volunteer base of Prayer Warriors to pray 365 Days a year outside one of the busiest, if not the busiest, abortion clinic in the country. Please plan to attend our monthly group prayer vigil on April 10th. To learn how you can sign up to be a Prayer Warrior beyond the 40 Days for Life, **contact:** Sophia Rodriguez at 972-989-2961 or email arltx60@yahoo.com

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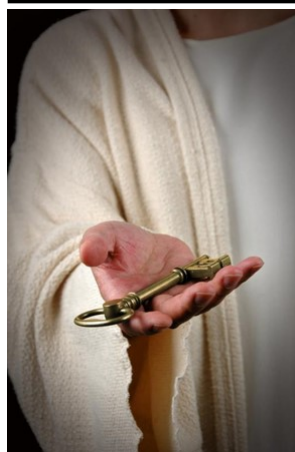
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My dear brothers and sisters in the Lord:

Over the last year, the world has changed, but God is still our refuge and strength. The friars and I pray that you are safe and secure in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.

The last few months have seen a gradual increase in attendance at our Sunday Masses and we thank God for that. For those of you who are joining us via livestream, please know that your church family loves you, misses you and has not forgotten you. You are in our daily thoughts and prayers. We yearn for the time that we can once again join with you face-to-face and together praise our God.

During these difficult times it is important to remember that, as St. Paul reminds us, “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Rm. 8:38-39). The clearest and strongest proof of this wonderful truth is found in the resurrection of Christ. In His life, ministry, crucifixion, and most powerfully in His resurrection, Jesus has broken the power of death. Among other things, this incredible event means that Jesus is no longer bound to the time and space of 1st century Jerusalem. He is able to be with His beloved people in an immediate and personal way in every place and in every time through the years. As a result of the resurrection, we can truly believe that nothing can “separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord”!

In the midst of the difficulties that this church community has dealt with over the last year and a half – including the death of Fr. Richard, the seemingly unending effects of the pandemic, the fraying of our national political and social discourse, and the terrible event and destruction of the “Texas freeze” - many people feel frayed, fearful and worn out. In a sense, this may capture the experience of our Blessed Mother and the apostles as they gathered together after the crucifixion of Jesus:

- They were self-quarantined and full of fear for their lives as the possibility of death lay outside the closed door.
- Many of the apostles had left or lost their jobs in order to follow the Lord and were feeling abandoned and lost.
- They were probably depressed or discouraged by the death of the Master and didn’t know what the future held.
- They had personally experienced the power of the ministry and miracles of the Lord and were wondering if it had all died with Him.

And then... the tomb was found empty and the greatest news of all time was proclaimed for the first time: “The Lord is Risen!”

Death did not have the final word in the life and ministry of Jesus. The resurrection became the lens through which everything He said and did could truly be understood and appreciated. In a very real and concrete way it confirms and celebrates the love and Lordship of Christ.

We still proclaim this Good News: “The Lord IS risen! Alleluia!” My brothers and sisters let us rejoice!

May you all have a most blessed and joy-filled Easter!

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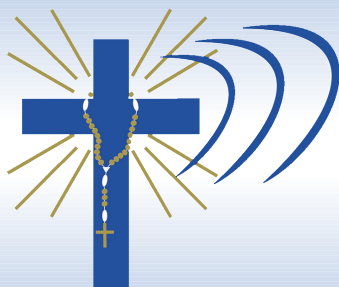
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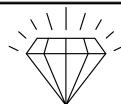
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