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Mass Intention



Our Parishioners

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please give Mass intentions to Father.

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Acts 6:1-7
Responsorial Psalm: 33:1-2,
4-5, 18-19
Reading II: 1 Peter 2:4-9
Gospel: John 14:1-12

April Birthdays *Our Lady of the Lake*



Council 9309

- 1 Katherine Abernathy**
- 2 Lane Newsome Gloria Vazquez Rodrigez**
- 14 Liam George Quejado**
- 15 Timmy Grace Gorman**
- 18 Geronimo Moleno**
- 22 Hilmer Martinez Vazquez**
- 23 Ruby Santes**
- 27 Monica Deluna-Hawkins Omar Ramirez**



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer. Steven Goellner; Rosemary Buskirk, Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

May 21-Pastoral Council

Officers for 2022-2023

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta
Grand Knight: Bobby Berndt
Deputy Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa
Chancellor: Dave Thomas
Recorder: Bob Hathaway
Treasurer: Jay Warfel, PGK*
Financial Secretary: Tom O'Neill, PGK*
Advocate: Bob Oravits
Warden: Paul Kurilla
Guards:
Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK*
Outside: Richard Rumprik

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Trustee One Year: Tom Eddy, PGK*
Trustee Two Years: Chuck Youse
Trustee Three Years: George McCall
*PGK-Past Grand Knight

If you are a Catholic man 18 years or older and wish to join our Council, please contact Bobby Berndt (434)636-2565 or Tom O'Neill (252)308-0493.

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

Pastor: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

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Rectory: 434-636-7782

Secretary/Bookkeeper:

Elizabeth Martin
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Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Brenton Gorman: 801-682-0892

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Dr. Santiago Gasalao-Epps: 434-594-8023

Music Coordinator—Francis Mendoza

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

Fourth Sunday of Easter—April 30, 2023

Study of the Readings

Focusing the Gospel

Key words & phrases:

hear his voice, calls ... by name, follow him, recognize his voice, I am the gate, have life ... abundantly

To the point: Jesus states clearly that he came so that his followers might have abundant Life. Jesus uses the metaphor of a caring shepherd and sheep to indicate how his followers might receive that Life: by hearing his voice and their name, by following the

Good Shepherd, by Following Jesus leads to recognizing whose voice calls insult, suffering, judgment, and them. Hearing, following, the cross. But it also leads us recognizing: we are to open even further—to abundant Life.

... **to experience:** We encounter gates in many areas of our lives. There are gated communities, entry gates for theater and sporting events, toll gates. These gates separate, close off, keep out.

Connecting the Gospel ... to the Second Reading: The shepherd "walks ahead" (Gospel) of the sheep who are to "follow in his footsteps" (Second Reading). Jesus is the Gate who excludes no one, calls each by name, offers abundant Life.

PARISH NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS!

Pamela Rose Amarillo Fibbo Seno Espinosa
Luis Antonio Armando Felipe Segundo
Rixi Beatriz Valeria Verdazco Rios

In today's Gospel, Jesus makes clear how different he is from other religious leaders: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). He is the good shepherd, and our Annual Diocesan Appeal exists so that more might find comfort in His fold. We, His sheep, have His voice to guide us. In moments of darkness, He guides us. He gives us clarity, peace, and confidence as His peace is more potent than any earthly trouble. Please consider supporting our Appeal so we can help other souls gain peace.

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$884.62	\$662.50 (\$222.12)
Votive Stand:		\$202.00

Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/>
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GIVE to 434-603-6341

MASS ATTENDANCE:

April 23rd
152

Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

Estudio de las lecturas

Enfocando el Evangelio

Palabras y frases claves:

escuchar su voz, llamadas... por su nombre, síguelo, reconoce su voz, yo soy la puerta, tengo vida... abundantemente

Al punto: Jesús declara claramente que vino para que sus seguidores pudieran tener vida abundante. Jesús usa la metáfora de un pastor y una oveja solícitos para indicar cómo sus seguidores podrían recibir esa Vida: escuchando su voz y su nombre, siguiendo al Buen Pastor, reconociendo quién es la

voz que los llama. Escuchar, Seguir a Jesús conduce al seguir, reconocer: debemos insulto, al sufrimiento, al juicio y a la cruz. Pero también nos lleva abrir nuestros corazones en la aún más lejos, a la Vida abundante.

en el amor. Este es el camino a la Vida abundante. La puerta está abierta de par en par. ¿Entraremos?

Conectando al Evangelio

... a la Segunda Lectura:

El pastor "camina por delante" (Evangelio) de las ovejas que han de "seguir sus huellas" (segunda lectura). Encontramos puertas en muchas áreas de nuestras vidas. Hay comunidades cerradas, puertas de entrada para teatro y eventos deportivos, puertas de peaje. Estas puertas separan, cierran, mantienen fuera. Jesús es la Puerta que no excluye a nadie, llama a cada uno por su nombre, ofrece Vida abundante.

... experimentar:

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús deja claro la diferencia entre Él y otros líderes religiosos: "Yo he venido para que tengan vida y la tengan en abundancia" (Juan 10:10). Él es el Buen Pastor y nuestra Campaña Anual Diocesana existe para que más personas puedan encontrar Consuelo en Su redil. Nosotros sus ovejas, tenemos su voz que nos guía. En momentos de oscuridad Él nos guía. Él nos da claridad, paz y confianza, pues, Su paz es más potente que cualquier problema terrenal. Por favor considere apoyar a nuestra Campaña, para que podamos ayudar a otras almas obtener paz.



Confirmation

CONGRATULATIONS!

Louise Gabriel Nery
Aylin Verdazco Rios
Brayn Gonzalez Rosales

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	BODY OF CHRIST	USHERS	SERVERS
Monica Ramirez	Dave Thomas	Elizer Carillo	Montserrat Ramirez
Melanie Sanchez		Dave Thomas	Jesus Ramirez
			Vanessa Ramirez

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Teresa Verdazco	Nélida Rosales
Ester Zepeda	Jennifer González
Concepcion	Juan Carlos
Mendoza	González