

ST. EDWARD

Catholic Church



**Live as Witnesses
to the Risen Lord**

"Not by might and not by power but by my Spirit, says the Lord"

-Zechariah 4:6

April 26, 2009

Third Sunday of Easter

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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:30 a.m.

Mass in Spanish: 1:30 p.m.

Monday through Saturday Masses: 8:00 a.m.

Confessions: 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturdays

St. Edward Gifts and Books

Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Sunday

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).

Psalms — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

Second Reading — We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one (1 John 2:1-5a).

Gospel — Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day (Luke 24:35-48).

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are many ways in which religious communities are organized. Some have a central authority in a congregation, and others have a "rule" that is shared by all the members, but are a kind of federation of independent houses. Sometimes, congregations with distinct histories and ministries decide to merge. On this past Easter Sunday, one of the largest mergers on record took place. Seven independent congregations of Dominican women religious, most in the Midwest, are now one new congregation enfolding more than seven hundred members spanning thirty-six states. The oldest of the founding groups, the so-called "Kentucky Dominicans," began as a frontier community in 1822. Other communities have European roots. To get to this historic moment, the sisters have spent many years in conversation, and approved the new structure by a two-thirds majority vote. This was then ratified by the Holy See. The merger allows the sisters to pool their resources in order to be more effective in ministry. They are living the Paschal Mystery: experiencing Christ's dying and rising in an inspiring way.

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**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**



**Let's keep our
commitment to visit
Jesus in the
Adoration Chapel.**

Jesus will be so
please that you did!

Adoration hours

Mon. -Fri. 8:30 am—1 pm
and 5:00 pm — 9 pm

Don't forget to sign your
name each time you make
a visit.

LIFE-IN-THE-SPIRIT



**The Life in the Spirit Seminar
leading up to
Baptism in the Spirit**

The next Seminar
begins with
Orientation on
September 25th

Space is limited.

Call Aida in the
Parish Office at
(954) 436-7944

CELL GROUPS



**Join a cell group in
your neighborhood**

St. Edward Cell groups
play
a large part in
helping us
KNOW our Faith,
LIVE our Faith,
and SHARE our Faith.
DON'T MISS OUT ON
THIS
OPPORTUNITY
Call Ileana in the Parish
Office
at 954 436-7944



- ◆ **Archdiocesan School of Ministry**, forming lay men and women for active participation in their parish community, is now open for registration. Classes meet once a week, Tuesdays at St. Brendan High School or Thursdays at St. Bartholomew. All classes meet from 7:30-9:30 p.m. New for 2009 is the School of Ministry Online! This course is taken via the Internet and participants meet only 5 times each year in person. You may download registration forms at www.miamiarch.org/layministry and click on the School of Ministry tab, or contact Fior Ramirez at (305) 762-1086.

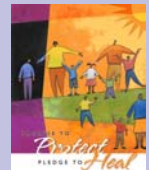
◆ **April is Child Abuse Prevention Month**

At TEOTD Are Your Kids AATK?

Do you understand the sentence above?

Chances are your kids do. The Internet is a great resource for information and fun; but like nearly everything else these days, cyberspace brings with it its own set of challenges for parents. Parents should monitor their children's Internet use and become familiar with the multitude of abbreviations, acronyms, and other shorthand that their children may be receiving via Internet chat rooms, instant messaging systems, and text message devices.

For more information on the Archdiocese of Miami's Safe Environment program call:
Jan Rayburn, Safe Environment Coordinator at 305-762-1250.



- ◆ **Do you want to learn more about your faith?** Tune in to **EWTN: The Journey Home** on Mondays at 8 p.m. and Saturdays at 11 p.m. (repeat of Monday's show). Interviews with Protestant ministers, atheists, scientists, etc...who found the true Church of Christ in the Catholic Church. Learn the answers to objections to the Catholic Church from those who sought and found answers in their struggles to come Home.

**ST. EDWARD
BOY SCOUT TROOP 224
SIXTH ANNUAL
All- You-Can-Eat**



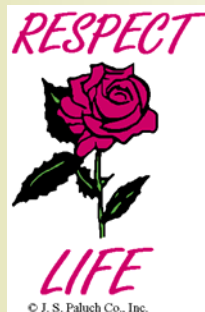
**Includes Spaghetti, Meatballs, Salad, and Roll
Check out our Bake Sale and Silent Auction
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY !!**

HELP SEND ST. EDWARD BOY SCOUTS TO SUMMER CAMP

**COME JOIN US ON SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2009
5:00—8:30 PM**

**\$ 5.00 per person
Tickets will be sold after ALL Masses today**

**COME ONE... COME ALL for
A GOOD MEAL and A GOOD CAUSE**



MOTHER'S DAY AD FOR RESPECT LIFE

The annual Respect Life Mother's Day Ad will appear in the Broward edition of the Miami Herald on Sunday, May 10, 2009. The ad will feature 2,000 names giving witness to the "Dignity of Motherhood and the Gift of Life". Please consider being a part of this project by including your name in the ad. Visit the Respect Life table outside after Mass this weekend and be a visible witness to LIFE! The suggested donation is \$3.00 per line.

APRIL/MAY 2009 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
19 LITURGY OF THE WORD	20 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONFIRMANDI PHOTOS	21 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	22 CONFIRMATION PRACTICE 6 PM	23 CONFIRMATION MASS 7 PM	24	25 LITURGY OF THE WORD
26 LITURGY OF THE WORD	27 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	28 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONFIRMANDI PHOTOS	29 CONFIRMATION PRACTICE 6 PM	30 CONFIRMATION MASS 7 PM	1	2 FINAL LITURGY OF THE WORD
3 FINAL LITURGY OF THE WORD	4 FINAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES	5 FINAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES	6 FIRST COMMUNION PHOTOS 5-7 PM	7 FIRST COMMUNION PRACTICE 6 PM	8	9 FIRST COMMUNION MASS 10am 5pm for 7-12 Grade

CCD REMINDERS

- ◆ Individual photos for April 30th Confirmation are on Tuesday, April 28th at 8:15 p.m. Children must bring their robes on a hanger. Confirmation Practice is on April 29th.
- ◆ ON THE NIGHT OF CONFIRMATION, ALL CONFIRMANDI MUST REPORT TO MS. JUDI OR MS. CAMILLE BY **6 PM SHARP**, WITH THEIR SPONSORS, IN THE MAIN BODY OF THE CHURCH.
- ◆ **Last sessions for Liturgy of the Word** are May 2nd and May 3rd. Please return the attendance booklets at this time. First Graders will need to return these booklets in order to receive credit for 1 year of Communion preparation.

NATURE'S LESSONS

Believe one who has tried, you shall find a fuller satisfaction in the woods than in books. The trees and the rocks will teach you that which you cannot hear from the masters.

—St. Bernard of Clairvaux



SMILE — GOD LOVES YOU!

St. Edward's Jester asks, 'Do you know your hymns?':

The Dentist's Hymn.....Crown Him with Many Crowns
Weatherman's Hymn.....There Shall Be Showers of Blessings
Contractor's Hymn.....The Church's One Foundation
The Tailor's Hymn.....Holy, Holy, Holy
The Golfer's Hymn.....There's a Green Hill Far Away
The Politician's Hymn.....Standing on the Promises
Optometrist's Hymn.....Open My Eyes That I Might See
The IRS Agent's Hymn.....I Surrender All
The Shopper's Hymn.....Sweet Bye and Bye
The Realtor's Hymn.....I've Got a Mansion

And for those who speed on the highway:

45 mph.....God Will Take Care of You
65 mph.....Nearer My God To Thee
85 mph.....This World is Not My Home
95 mph to 100 mph.....Lord, I'm Coming Home

Keeping up with the *modern* music scene



"We'll sing the first verse, hum the second, and lip-sync the third."

CATHOLIC CONVERSATIONS ON THE SCRIPTURES

Archdiocese of Miami - Ministry of Christian Formation

May 3, 2009 4th Sunday of Easter (Cycle B)

Gospel reading John 10:11-18

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep* that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

***Possibly the Gentiles, the dispersed children of God.**

Brief commentary:

One of the main characteristics of the Gospel of John is the evangelist's use of the phrase "I am," this is why the Gospels for Lent and Easter often draw from this Gospel. Its understanding of who Jesus was in the early community of faith is fitting for us as we celebrate the Paschal Mystery today. The 4th Sunday of Easter is known as "Good Shepherd Sunday" because each year a portion of John 10, Jesus' discourse on the good shepherd is proclaimed. This discourse takes place at Hanukkah, the feast of the dedication of the Temple. A central reading at this feast was taken from the prophet Ezekiel 34, which condemned the false shepherds of Israel. The image of the shepherd is common in the Old Testament. Abraham, Moses, David and Amos were all shepherds, not only because of the work they did, but because they were called by God to guide the people. As shepherds seek out their flock when they are scattered, so does Jesus, the Good Shepherd, seek out those who are lost. The metaphorical "wolf" is present in every age in persons or issues that impede our appreciation of God's everlasting love, and the hired men may reflect the Pharisees.

In this Gospel, the passage follows the story of the man born blind in chapter 9, which ends with an attack on the Pharisees. The Pharisees did not recognize Jesus, but the people of God, symbolized by the blind man, did. Today's reading continues the theme of attack on the "blind" shepherds of Israel.

Today's reading offers three significant messages:

- Jesus stands in contrast to the sinful religious leaders who did not take care of their people.
- Jesus revealed God as good and loving, not as a wolf that traps and scatters the sheep.
- The laying down of the shepherd's life is unique to Jesus. That is why he is the "good" shepherd.

For our shared or personal reflection:

After a brief pause for silent reflection share your answers, ideas or feelings.

1. What is my image of God? A good shepherd or a "wolf"? Explain.
2. Jesus willingly laid down his life for all. How will this awareness affect the way I deal with a difficult person this week?

Suggested readings: Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs 60; 606; 609; 614; 754; 764; 2158.



3 de mayo de 2009

4º Domingo de Pascua (Ciclo B)

Lectura del Evangelio según san Juan 10,11-18

En aquel tiempo dijo Jesús: “Yo soy el Buen Pastor. El Buen Pastor da su vida por sus ovejas. El asalariado, que no es pastor ni dueño de las ovejas, huye ante el lobo abandonándolas y el lobo las agarra y las dispersa, porque no es más que un asalariado y no le importan las ovejas. Yo soy el Buen Pastor: conozco las mías y las mías me conocen a mí. Así como me conoce el Padre, también yo conozco al Padre, y yo doy mi vida por mis ovejas. Tengo otras ovejas que no son de este corral.* A ellas también las llamaré y oirán mi voz; y habrá un solo rebaño como hay un solo pastor. El Padre me ama porque yo mismo doy mi vida, y la volveré a tomar. Nadie ha podido quitarme la vida, sino que yo mismo la voy a entregar. Libremente la entregué y libremente también la recobraré: así lo dispuso mi Padre”.

*Probablemente los Gentiles.

Comentario breve:

Una de las características del Evangelio de Juan es el uso frecuente de la frase “Yo soy”. Es por esta razón que las lecturas de Cuaresma y Pascua son tomadas de este evangelio. La Cristología de Juan, es decir, su manera de entender quién era Cristo es tan apropiada para nosotros hoy como lo fue para la comunidad primitiva. El capítulo 10 es conocido como el discurso del Buen Pastor y afirma categóricamente que quien cree en Jesús forma parte del rebaño de Cristo. El discurso es pronunciado en la fiesta judía de la dedicación del Templo. Una de las lecturas más importantes de este día era tomada del profeta Ezequiel 34, y condenaba a los falsos pastores de Israel. La imagen del pastor era común en el Antiguo Testamento. Abrahám, Moisés, David y Amós fueron pastores, no sólo por el trabajo que realizaron, sino porque todos fueron llamados por Dios para guiar al pueblo. Al igual que los pastores buscan a sus ovejas cuando se dispersan, también Jesús, el Buen Pastor, busca a la oveja pérdida. La metáfora del lobo se revive en todo momento que alguien impide que conozcamos el amor incondicional de Dios.

El pasaje de hoy viene después de la sanación del ciego en el capítulo 9. Ese incidente concluye con un ataque a los fariseos que no reconocieron a Cristo como lo hizo el ciego. La lectura de hoy continúa el ataque a los pastores “ciegos” de Israel.

La lectura de hoy nos presenta tres ideas importantes:

- Jesús es lo opuesto de los falsos líderes religiosos que no cuidan de sus ovejas.
- Jesús reveló a Dios como el Buen Pastor, no como un lobo que atrapa y dispersa a las ovejas.
- Sólo Jesús es el Buen Pastor porque ama a sus ovejas y voluntariamente ofrece su vida por ellas.

Para la reflexión personal o comunitaria:

Después de una pausa breve para reflexionar en silencio, comparte con otros sus ideas o sentimientos.

1. ¿Quién es Dios para mí: el buen pastor o el “lobo”? ¿Cómo transmito esto a los demás?
2. Jesús entregó su vida por todos. ¿Cómo influye esto en mi manera de tratar a las “personas difíciles”?

Lecturas recomendadas: Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, párrafos 60; 606; 609; 614; 754; 764; 2158.



Saturday, April 25th

8:00 a.m. In memory of Zette Barthelemy and Joey Bartalucci

5:00 p.m. In memory of Ed Kowalski and Al Benson

Sunday, April 26th

7:00 a.m. For the People

9:00 a.m. In memory of Roy McNeill and Leonor Chavez Fonseca

11:30 a.m. In memory of Josias Valero and John Bashouri

1:30 p.m. In memory of Rafael Reynoso

Monday, April 27th

8:00 a.m. In memory of Carmen Lara and Joey Bartalucci

Tuesday, April 28th

8:00 a.m. In memory of Agnes & Aniello DeLuca and Lela Lewis

Wednesday, April 29th

8:00 a.m. In memory of Hewlette Johnson and Eugenio & Edith Zapata

Thursday, April 30th

8:00 a.m. In memory of Ed Kowalski and the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday, May 1st

8:00 a.m. In memory of Jorge Herrera. and Joana Copeland

Saturday, May 2nd

8:00 a.m. In memory of Arnold DeLuca and Carlos Julio Marisol

5:00 a.m. Intentions of Dhimitri France

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29
 Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Jn 6:30-35
 Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40
 Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51
 Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58
 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69
 Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

The Rosary will be prayed Monday through Saturday at 7:35 a.m. before all 8:00 a.m. Masses.

This Week in Our Parish

CELL WEEK

Monday, April 27th

Religious Education Classes: 5:30, 7, 8:15 p.m.

Tuesday, April 28th

Religious Education Classes: 5:30, 7, 8:15 p.m.

Confirmandi Photos: 8:15 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29th

Christlight Dancers # 2: 4: 30 p.m.

Confirmation Practice: 6 p.m.

Agnus Dei Choir : 7 p.m.

Consolation Ministry: 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 30th

Christlight Dancers # 1: 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 1st

Hosanna Choir: 5:45 p.m.

Saturday, May 2nd

Final Liturgy of the Word: 5 p.m.

Spaghetti Dinner: 5—8:30 p.m.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
 Tuesday: St. Louis Mary de Montfort; St. Peter Chanel
 Wednesday: St. Catherine of Siena
 Thursday: St. Pius V
 Friday: St. Joseph the Worker; First Friday; National Day of Prayer
 Saturday: St. Athanasius; First Saturday

Hours for Eucharistic Adoration

Mornings Monday through Friday in the Chapel: 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Evenings Monday through Friday in the Chapel: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Benediction on Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m. in the Church