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**Mission:**  
**OUR LADY OF THE LAKE**  
**120 RR 2233**  
**Sunrise Beach, TX 78643**

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

*April 26, 2015*

**Pastor: Rev. Anthony Alphonse ~ Diocese of Austin**

*This week's Gospel reflection from Fr. Alphonse:*

In today's Gospel Jesus says that He is not only a Shepherd but also a Guardian: *"I am the door, anyone who enters through Me will be safe."* So Jesus invites us to find our way to Him and through Him in order to be on the safe path. For Jesus is the way to *"life in fullness"*.

Why is it that so few people like to choose this? Why such an aversion to *"life in fullness"*? Most probably because we look only for momentary gains, pleasures and comforts, and we scarcely lift up our minds to things that are high.

We give top priority to earthly things and ignore that which is permanent and of perennial value. We lack the courage to choose ways other than the beaten track though it leads to perdition.

The Good Shepherd, Jesus, demands that we build our life in faith in Jesus and live it in our own situations and conditions, modeling our life-style in accordance with that of Jesus.

God wants you and me to continue His work on earth. To accept Him means to acknowledge that He is our Shepherd, our Leader, our Guide and Model. To follow Him means to live like Him, to be transformed by His Spirit.



*I am the good shepherd,  
says the Lord; I know my  
sheep and mine know me.*

*(Jn10:14)*

**Mass Intentions**

Sat. 4/25	OLOL	4:00 pm	Special Intention
		5:30 pm	Alois Jung †
Sun. 4/26		9:00 am	All Parishioners
Mon 4/27		NO MASS	
Tues. 4/28		6:00 pm	Special Intention
Wed. 4/29		8:00 am	Robert Watson †
Thurs. 4/30		8:00 am	Mary Jo Niccoli †
Fri. 5/1		8:00 am	To honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sat. 5/2	OLOL	4:00 pm	Special Intention
		5:30 pm	Max Kornwebel †
Sun. 5/3		9:00 am	All Parishioners



*St. Charles  
Altar Flowers  
this weekend  
in Memory of  
Susan Blotz*



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our six first Communicants! They will receive their first Holy Communion on Sunday, May 3 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. They are:

Efrain Aviles  
Alex Aviles  
Adam Garcia  
Jadyn Gosselin  
Ivan Hernandez  
Ashlynn Skero

Please keep these students and their families in your prayers.

*The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing  
I shall want....*

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm at Our Lady of the Lake,  
Sunrise Beach

Saturday 5:30 pm at St. Charles, Kingsland

\*Sunday 9:00 am at St. Charles, Kingsland

(\*The rosary will be prayed every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. Please join us each Sunday for this special prayer before the Mass.)



### Weekday Masses at St. Charles

6:00 pm Tuesday

8:00 am Wednesday - Friday

### Reconciliation

Before Masses and by appointment

### The Sacrament of Baptism

on the 3rd Saturday of the month immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass at St. Charles.

If you have questions or need to schedule a Baptism please contact the office.

### Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday  
9:00 am till noon



Thank you God  
for the rain!  
Thank you God  
for everything!!

"Mary, give me your Heart: so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate; your Heart so full of love and humility that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love Him as you love Him and serve Him in the distressing guise of the poor."



*Blessed Teresa of  
Calcutta*

### WELCOME NEWCOMERS OR VISITORS:

Newcomers or visitors wishing to become members of St. Charles or Our Lady of the Lake, please fill out a membership form located in the back of church and give the form to one of the greeters/ushers.

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

St. Charles	\$ 2123
Poor Fund	\$ 599
Our Lady of the Lake	\$ 630
Poor Fund	\$ 235

The Offertory is more than the "collection of money." Our offerings represent ourselves and our dedication to God. God loves a cheerful and generous giver. We have freely received an abundance of his blessings; let us freely and humbly return thanks to him by giving of our material gifts.

Send bulletin announcements by **5:00 PM** on **MONDAY** to [stcharles@nctv.com](mailto:stcharles@nctv.com). You **must** put in the subject line of email "bulletin announcement". This will help us and it will ensure your important information is not overlooked.

Please drop any notes to Fr. Alphonse or reimbursement forms, mass intentions, flower requests, etc. in the secure locking mailbox that has been placed on the wall by the rectory office door.



IN CASE OF EMERGENCY OR DEATH ONLY ~  
THE CHURCH EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER  
IS 512-756-9003



**CATHOLIC CORNER:** *(a gentle reminder of facts we once learned but perhaps have forgotten)*

1327 In brief, the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith: "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking."

1373 "Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us," is present in many ways to his Church: in his word, in his Church's prayer, "where two or three are gathered in my name," in the poor, the sick, and the imprisoned, in the sacraments of which he is the author, in the sacrifice of the Mass, and in the person of the minister. But "He is present...most especially in the Eucharistic species."

1384 The Lord addresses an invitation to us, urging us to receive Him in the sacrament of the Eucharist: "Truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you."

1389 The Church obliges the faithful "to take part in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and feast days" and, prepared by the sacrament of Reconciliation, to receive the Eucharist at least once a year, if possible during the Easter season. But the Church strongly encourages the faithful to receive the holy Eucharist on Sundays and feast days, or more often still, even daily.

.....*Catechism of the Catholic Church*



**We must pray at all times...pray without ceasing...**

A large part of prayer is conversation with God. In prayer, we might ask for something or express gratitude. We might simply tell God how great we believe He is, or we might tell God a problem we are having and simply surrender our problems to God's wisdom.

When we just don't have the words, we can rely on what we already know. Prayers like the Lord's Prayer and Hail Mary can call us to prayer even when we don't know what to say. But we can also speak with God from our hearts, and we can voice our thoughts just as we would to a friend. Such conversation is called spontaneous prayer.

Spontaneous prayer is a great way to talk with God about anything at all. Don't worry about getting caught up in the words to say. Know that God already knows what you need before you ask (Matt. 6:8) Know that Jesus found himself in times of deep prayer. Many people feel they can't pray. But if we say "God help me. I'm not good at prayer," we have taken the first step to spontaneous prayer! Pray at the beginning of each day. Pray at the end of the day and times in between. Just be in touch with the present moment and invite God to be a part of it. By doing this, you fulfill Saint Paul's request... to pray at all times. (1Thess 5:17) (St. Mary's Press)

The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated at St. Charles on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass. If you have questions or need to schedule a Baptism please contact the office.

We are reminded of the guidelines set by the Diocese when baptizing a child:

- If the PARENTS are not members of this church, a letter from the parish in which they reside or are registered must be presented, giving permission for the child to be baptized at St. Charles. This must be done **prior** to registration for Baptism.
- Copy of the state birth certificate or hospital birth certificate for the child being baptized.
- Single Godparents must be **practicing Catholics living according to the norms of the Church.**
- All married Godparents must be married by the Catholic Church. **A copy of their Church marriage certificate must be presented.**
- Godparents must have received all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation.
- All Baptism documents must be received in the office **before** a Baptism date can be set.
- Parents and Godparents must attend a short class to prepare them for the important role they will play in this child's spiritual life. It helps renew your faith while strengthening the Parent's decision to raise their child in the Catholic Church and it helps the Godparents fully understand their responsibilities and duties to this child.

"Eternal Wisdom, on the one hand, wished to prove his love for humanity by dying in our place in order to save us, but on the other hand, he could not bear the thought of leaving us. So he devised a marvelous way of dying and living at the same time, and of abiding with us until the end of time. So, in order to fully satisfy his love, he instituted the sacrament of Holy Eucharist." --St. Louis Mary de Montfort



**FR. ALPHONSE  
WILL CELEBRATE  
A NOVENA OF  
MASSES FOR  
THE WOMEN IN OUR  
LIVES THAT WE LOVE  
OR APPRECIATE.  
SIGN UP YOUR**

**MOTHERS, GRANDMOTHERS,  
GODMOTHERS,  
SISTERS, WIVES,  
DAUGHTERS,  
GRANDDAUGHTERS,  
GODDAUGHTERS,  
AUNTS,  
MOTHER-IN-LAW, SISTERS-IN-LAW,  
GIRLFRIENDS,  
COUSINS AND  
FRIENDS  
BOTH LIVING  
AND DECEASED.**



**CARDS ARE AVAILABLE AT EACH  
ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH.  
PLEASE COMPLETE THE**

**INFORMATION ON  
THE OUTSIDE  
ENVELOPE AND  
GET IT BACK TO  
THE CHURCH OFFICE  
OR PLACE IN THE**



**COLLECTION BASKET.**

**NINE MASSES WILL BE OFFERED ~  
for their intentions or in their  
memory.**

*Our Lady of the Lake... Our Lady of the Lake...*

OLL's library has many new books of various interests. The library is open on the 1st and 3rd Saturday before Mass from 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm. For more info, contact Nancy Winkler at 325-388-3296.

Rosary will be prayed at Our Lady of the Lake before Mass on Saturday at 3:30 pm, please join us.



Our Lady of the Lake has Altar flower sponsors for May 23, June 6, and August 22. All other dates are available at this time. Forms can be found at the entrance of Church.

*Our Lady of the Lake... Our Lady of the Lake...*

**A Family Novena to the Good Shepherd:**

In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen  
**Leader: (L)** Blessed be the Good Shepherd.

~All Respond~ **WHO LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP.**

~All Together~

**Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me,  
Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me,  
Christ to comfort and restore me. Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in  
hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and  
stranger.**

**READ PSALM 23 (L)**

~All Together Say~

**WHEN THE CHIEF SHEPHERD APPEARS,  
YOU WILL RECEIVE THE GLORIOUS CROWN.**

**(pause for quiet prayer)**

**(L)** Good Shepherd of the flock, you tend and feed and protect your chosen people and only ask us to put our trust in your loving care. As host you entertain us at your welcome table and anoint us with your Holy Spirit. Make us ever thankful for all your blessings, O Savior of the world, living and reigning with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

~ALL RESPOND~ **AMEN**

**READING JOHN 10:11-15**

**(L) THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

I am the good shepherd, who is willing to die for the sheep. When the hired man, who is not a shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees a wolf coming, he leaves the sheep and scatters them. The hired man runs away because he is only a hired man and does not care about the sheep. I am the good shepherd. As the Father know me and I know the Father, in the same way I know my sheep and they know me. And I am willing to die for them.

~ No one takes my life away from me.

~ALL RESPOND~ **I GIVE IT UP OUT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.**

**LITANY OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

~All Respond~ **R: HEAR US AND HELP US, WE HUMBLY PRAY.**

Most High God, Shepherd of Israel: **R**

Good Shepherd, who was willing to die for the sheep: **R**

Good Shepherd, who knows the name of each one of his sheep: **R**

Good Shepherd, who revives our drooping spirits: **R**

Good Shepherd, who goes after each sheep that strays: **R**

Good Shepherd, who rescues his sheep from the wolves: **R**

Good Shepherd, who guards and guides his wandering sheep: **R**

Good Shepherd, who hears the prayers of the whole flock: **R**

Good Shepherd, whose goodness and kindness follow us all the days of our life: **R**

Good Shepherd, who pastures his sheep through all eternity: **R**

**NOVENA PRAYER**

**(L)** Jesus, Good Shepherd, you tend your flock unceasingly and know our every need. May your crook and your staff always protect us and guide us through all the troubles of this life.

**(Here we state our needs.)**

**(L)** Good Jesus, remember us in your infinite mercy, set us among the blessed of your Father, and save us in the time of trial, O Savior of the world, living and reigning with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

~All Respond~ **AMEN**

**(L)** May the great Shepherd of the flock, by the blood that sealed an eternal covenant, bless us and keep us.

~All Respond~ **AMEN**