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*MASSES: SAT EVENING 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MORNING 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
TU, WED, FRI: 8:00 A.M.
MONDAY & THURSDAY: 6:00 P.M.*

ADORATION: FRIDAYS, 8:30 A.M.-8:00 P.M.

*SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
FRIDAY 11:30-12:30 P.M.
SATURDAY: 3:45-4:45 P.M.
PASTOR: FR. GARY. L. SIGLER*

*WELCOME! WE EXTEND OUR HANDS AND HEARTS TO ALL WHO CELEBRATE WITH US, WHETHER LONGTIME RESIDENT OR
NEWLY ARRIVED IN THE PARISH. WE THANK GOD THAT YOU ARE WITH US.*

ST PAUL OF THE CROSS MAY 3, 2020

Sunday, May 3rd

John 10:1-10

The shepherd calls his own sheep by name. (John 10:3)

Good Shepherd Sunday often brings bucolic scenes to mind. Picture a well-groomed shepherd, crook in hand, seated peacefully in lush, green pastures, surrounded by docile sheep. It's beautiful, isn't it?

But such an image falls short on two counts. First, shepherd and flock are often dirty and decidedly not peaceful. Second, Jesus called himself a "shepherd" as a rebuke to the Jewish leaders who had just rejected him and cast out a man he had cured of blindness. A true shepherd, Jesus told them, knows his sheep well and leads them with care. And Jesus, the good shepherd, goes so far that he lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11)

We can read Jesus' words here as a course correction for his opponents, but we can learn something for ourselves as well. For we are all shepherds for God's people in one way or another. We are all called to care for his people by following in Jesus' footsteps. Our "flock" may include our children, our parents, or our catechism class. We may be quiet shepherds welcoming a new family at church or mentoring a coworker. But no matter who is in our flock, we need to remember that the sheep belong to Jesus and not to us. He treasures each one of them and wants us to reflect his own love and self-sacrifice.

So ask yourself, "How well do I know my sheep? Do I know the challenges my loved ones are facing?" Sometimes we are so busy with our own affairs that we overlook the hurt, weariness, or fear in someone right next to us. But following Jesus' example, we can set aside our concerns, "call them by name," and listen to their needs. Perhaps we can even lead them to a place of peace. That's one small way to be a shepherd for God's sheep.

"Jesus, help me to lay down my life for your sheep today."

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CONFIRMATIONS POSTPONED

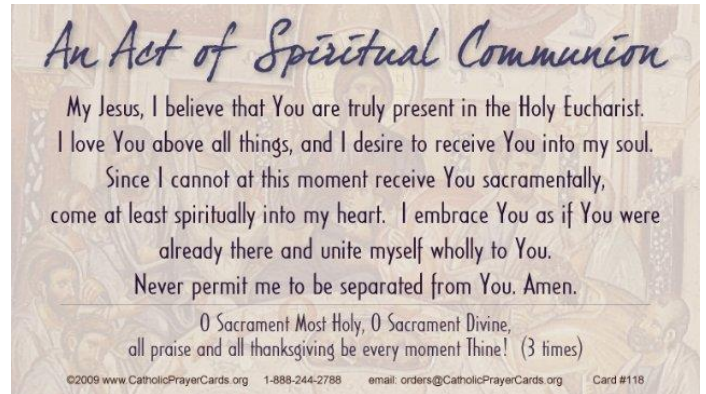
Our Confirmation at St. Paul was to be on April 28th. It has been postponed as well as all Confirmations scheduled for May. Times will be scheduled at a later time.

All Masses and gatherings at St. Paul of the Cross are suspended until further notice. This includes everything: Adoration, Confessions, Religious Ed, Youth Ministry, etc. You may go to the Diocese website for information and to our Website and may also use our online giving site on our webpage.

SUNDAY MASS AT 10:30 A.M. LIVESTREAMED ON THE FACEBOOK PAGE: St. Paul of the Cross Columbia City.

SUNDAY MASS WITH BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

Participate in a livestream Mass with Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades every Sunday at 10 a.m.. To join, visit the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend YouTube or Facebook pages. Search "@diocesefwsb." Other alternative Mass options, diocesan directives, and more can be found at www.diocesefwsb.org/covid-19.



ONLINE GIVING

Safety in times when there are concerns about exposure to disease or spreading of a virus. Online Giving is a convenient option to continue to support your church and its mission. Whether you are attending weekly mass at the parish or worshipping at home, your vital support can still happen regardless of where you are.

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have been so faithful in giving online and mailing in their contributions. We are all praying we can resume Masses in the near future.

It is our prayer and sincere hope that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy during these difficult times of this Coronavirus Pandemic. Fr. Gary & Staff

TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS, FACEBOOK AND REDEEMER RADIO

St. Paul of the Cross on our Facebook Page. St. Paul of the Cross, Columbia City: Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

South Bend area:

- **10:30 am:** WNDU 16 | Comcast 8
- **Noon:*** WMYS 69.1 | Comcast 15 | AT&T 69 | Dish 69

Fort Wayne area:

- **7 am:** WPTA 21.3 (MyTV) | Frontier 9, 509 | Comcast 252, 1024, 1172 | DirecTV 22
- **10 am:** WISE CW 33.1 | Frontier 6, 506 | Comcast 19, 1033 | DirecTV 33 | Dish 34
- **10:30 am through April 12:** WFFT TV, FOX 55 | Frontier 5 | Comcast 12

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*This is an additional televised Mass being offered during this time of social distancing.

DAILY MASS FROM EWTN

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Daily Mass can be found on demand at video.ewtn.com/daily-mass.

LISTEN DAILY ON REDEEMER RADIO

8 am every day [Redeemer Radio](http://RedeemerRadio.com) will be broadcasting the LIVE EWTN Mass at 8 am every day.

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- South Bend/Napanee area: 95.7 FM Michiana.
- Online at RedeemerRadio.com
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