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Infant Baptism

For helpful information and guidance regarding Infant Baptism, please go to our website <u>www.stbrunochurch.org</u>. We are pleased to assist your family with this first and important Sacrament. If you have questions after reviewing the website, please email <u>Baptism@stbrunochurch.org</u>.



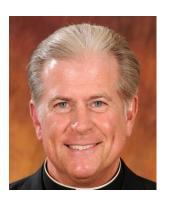
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Gospel Reflections 4th Sunday of Easter April 21st 2024

Be a Shepherd ... not a sheep.

Jesus mentions sheep in today's Gospel ...but that is not you!

People then knew that sheep are easily frightened. They follow their shepherd closely because they feel helpless and unable to fight against wolves. They want a strong shepherd. Well, Jesus is that strong *Good Shepherd* who

has the best interests of His sheep at heart and bravely leads them to good food and water, even if wolves are nearby.

The sheep recognize His voice and wise leadership. They know Jesus is that *Good Shepherd* who is always *compassionate* to His sheep and always *courageous* facing danger.

When Jesus said to His first disciples, "Follow me," He did not mean to follow Him as timid sheep but rather to follow Him ...in His role as Shepherd! Jesus does not call you to be sheep ...He calls you to be a shepherd. It is the Shepherd we imitate, not the sheep.

Many of you are in a position of influence over others, whether in your family, among friends, classmates, neighbors, fellow workers, or social media contacts. Imagine how they will feel if they sense that you always have their best interests at heart, and *compassionately* lead them to what is good and *courageously* defend them from anything bad. They will *want* to follow you!

Our nation has many serious issues now, such as rising crime, global threats from Russia, China, and Iran, controversial moral issues like transgender operations on children, and a combative political season.

Jesus wants you to be that calm, wise, and confident leader in troubled times. Good shepherds bring the wisdom of Jesus to each of these events. (see my articles on Transgender Issues, Catholics and War, and other issues at stbrunochurch.org)

I know we have great shepherds at St. Bruno, in our *Religious Education* program that is leading almost 200 children to soon receive First Communion, and has already led over one hundred teenagers

to the Sacrament of Confirmation, and at *St. Bruno School* that everyday teaches over three hundred and thirty students important lessons for life in each grade level.

Despite all the violence in Our Lord's time, He calmly called His followers to be leaders who are never frightened by wolves, and lead their family and friends to that happy way of life that is the Kingdom of God. That is your calling today as well.



God bless!

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ST. BRUNO NEWS

WAYS TO GIVE

I hope you will join me in making this important resource for our St. Bruno families happen!

In our Catholic faith, money is the power to make something good happen. That means helping St. Bruno parishioners meet Our Lord in every sacrament, parish event, or new building project, so your gifts are always and only for that purpose. Here are ways you can help build your new Hall for All. Our Archdiocesan professionals are also ready to help with assistance in Estate Planning and Real Estate gifts for St. Bruno. Our Non-Profit Tax Number is 95-1957493. Your gifts can also be made over a five year period.

DIRECT CASH GIFTS:

You may make your five year pledge by check, credit card, or authorize your bank to make direct deposits to our *St. Bruno Church Hall for All*. Checks can be dropped at the office, or in the Building Fund envelopes in the Sunday collection.

STOCKS, BONDS, IRA, & ANNUITY GIFTS:

You may also direct these special gifts to *St. Bruno Church Hall For All*. Your financial advisor can also direct your IRA and various Annuity gifts to support this important project for our parish and school families.

REAL ESTATE PROPERTIES:

These are gifts of a home or other properties that you would like to donate. Our Archdiocesan Office will assist you with these gifts for our *St. Bruno Church Hall for All*. Contact Michael Davitt at mtdavitt@la-archdiocese.org to establish your gift.

ESTATE PLANNING:

These are gifts donated according to your wishes about how your estate will be dispersed, such as in a Charitable Remainder Trust. Our Archdiocesan Office will assist you with these gifts for our *St. Bruno Church Hall for All.* Contact Karen Dunphy at kdunphy@la-archdiocese.org for your gift.

Your donations, by law, can only be used for the purpose for which you give them. They are sacred gifts for the mission of St. Bruno Church and School. For a fuller understanding of how parish and Archdiocesan finances work, please see my article at *stbrunochurch.org*, and click on *Fr. Dave's Articles*.

Please always feel free to contact me with any questions.

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Bible Study - John's Gospel

Join our Bible Study on the first part of the Gospel of John beginning **Monday, May 6**th. John's Gospel is a multi-layered, powerful telling of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Rich in symbolism, the Gospel presents Jesus in his divinity and humanity as the face of the God of love and justice.

No advanced registration required, no cost to attend. Meeting dates: **May 6, 13, 21, 28, June 3, 10, 17, 24, and July 1, 8.** Morning sessions at 10:00 AM and evening sessions at 7:00 PM. For more information, contact Ed Vidaurri at 562-761-3562.

Town Hall Q & A

Fr. Dave will be present after every Sunday noon Mass in the Church for a general Town Hall Q & A session on any question you might have on any topic.

Have you remembered the HALL in your Will or Trust?



To set up your gift, please contact Karen Dunphy at 213-637-7510 or Kdunphy@la-archdiocese.org

"Four For Our Faith" Weekly Giving Initiative

Sunday Collection	4/14	\$14,022
Weekly Online Givi	ing	5,930
Total Contributions	S	\$19,952

Thank you for your generosity!



If you would like to participate or need additional information, please contact Cor Meijerink 562-686-3549, Oran Medina 562-407-4419.



opportunities please call Patrick Hart at 562-500-3249

Raffle tickets are available in the Parish Center! Grand Prize \$10,000 • 2nd Place \$1,000 • 3rd Place \$500 Contribute to our Annual Parish Fundraiser by supporting your Parish. The

tickets are \$2.00 each and available in books of 25.

For more information go to: stbrunochurch.org/springfest



St. Bruno's Respect Life Ministry will be hosting a Diaper Drive on:

Saturday, April 27, 2024 and Sunday, April 28, 2024 at the table on the patio after all masses

Help us prepare for Mother's Day by donating packs or boxes of diapers!

Diaper sizes needed:

Newborn to Size 6 (larger sizes are in demand)

Diapers can also be dropped off in the parish office Monday, April 29th through Friday, May 3, 2024.

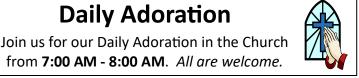
Your donations will be distributed to the Whittier Life Center and the La Habra Life Center.



Thank you for supporting mothers and babies in need!



Daily Adoration



Catholic Men's Fellowship

Speaker Meeting: Our next meeting will be Saturday, May 4th after the 8:00 AM Mass. For further information, call Dave Zofrea at 562-221-2544.

St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday - April 21st

The St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday truck will be here today in the parish parking lot from 8 AM to 2



PM. We need your support! Remember to bring any useable items that will help the needy. For large items including furniture, appliances, and vehicles, please call 323-224-6280 or 800-974-3571 for home pickups.

Monthly Food Drive This Weekend

Items needed include: 1 lb. bag of beans, pasta, pasta

sauce, cereal, peanut butter, canned meat, and macaroni & cheese. Please bring nonperishable food items to the containers by the

church doors for distribution to the hungry



living in our community. Thank you for your generosity!

Bereavement Support Retreat

St. Mary of the Assumption will host a bereavement retreat for those who are struggling with the death of a loved one. The retreat begins Friday, May 10 from 6:00-9:00 PM and continues Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 AM -6:00 PM in the parish hall. Cost of \$75 covers dinner, lunch, snacks and all materials and handouts. Please RSVP by Friday, May 3 to <u>bereavement.ministry</u> @yahoo.com and include your name, cell, the name of the deceased and their relationship to you. Please bring 2 or 3 photocopied pictures 4x6 or smaller to use at the retreat. Mail checks to St. Mary, 7215 Newlin Ave., Whittier, CA 90602.

Bereavement Support Group

Join us each Friday in May at St. Mary of the Assumption in Whittier for a 5 week morning bereavement support group. We will meet from 9:00 - 10:30 AM. Enter on Newlin.

RSVP to Cathy at <u>bereavement.ministry@yahoo.com</u> or text 562-631-8844 by Monday, April 29.

Join us each Thursday in May at St. Mary of the Assumption in Whittier for a 5 week evening bereavement support group. We will meet from 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

RSVP to Cathy at <u>bereavement.ministry@yahoo.com</u> or text 562-631-8844 by Monday, April 29.



Safeguard the Children DID YOU KNOW?

"Keep Kids Safe" Pinwheel Resource Booklet

In recognition of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Office of Safeguard the Children has created the 2024 "Keep Kids Safe" Pinwheel Resource Booklet. This useful Resource Booklet will help parishes and schools plan and prepare for Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is also available to individuals who wish to know more about Child Abuse Prevention Month. For more information go to <u>https://lacatholics.org/childabuse-prevention-month/</u>.

For these we pray:

Jennifer Ackley, Hector Alatorre, Juan Angulo, Mrs. Grace Bertucci, Donald Best, Connie Brewer, Donna Broady, Dennis Calderone, Rita Casacchia, Becky Cleary, Eric T. Cruz, Sergio Delgadillo, Clarissa Estrada, Marie G., Silvia Gonzalez, Infusino family, Gary Maleski, Douglas Marston, Ron Meade, Anna Mestaz, Mario Mestaz, Mark Mestaz, Veronica Mestaz, Thomas O'Donnel, Nicole Pearce, Raquel Peralga &

family, Christina Peterson, Molly Piñeda, John Portela, Dean Ramsey, Sandy Renze, Rudy Ruiz, Sandra Ryder, Dennis Sanchez, Brett Sanders, Joseph & Rosa Streter, Ernie Valentino, and un-born babies.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY • April 22, 2024

6:30 am — Phillip Kroon, R.I.P. Intention of Ernie Valentino & family

TUESDAY • April 23, 2024

8:00 am — Intention of Maleski-Cavallero family Intention of Miguel & Consuelo Lopez

WEDNESDAY • April 24, 2024

6:30 am — Intention of Liz Gomez Intention of Everardo & Guadalupe Lopez

THURSDAY • April 25, 2024

8:00 am — Piedad Salomon, R.I.P. Michele Hernandez, R.I.P.

FRIDAY • April 26, 2024

6:30 am — Intention of Gloria Seuss Souls in Purgatory, R.I.P.

SATURDAY • April 27, 2024

- 8:00 am Thomasin Clack, R.I.P. Tony Schavone, R.I.P.
- 5:30 pm Heather Zartl, R.I.P.

SUNDAY • April 28, 2024

- 7:30 am Joseph Vella, R.I.P.
- 9:00 am Mass for the people of St. Bruno Parish
- 10:30 am Elaine Scheck, R.I.P.
- 12:00 pm Maddie Nelson, R.I.P.
- 5:30 pm Maria Rodriguez, R.I.P.