

**"My sheep hear My voice,  
and I know them,  
and they follow Me" (John 10:27).**

# St. Joseph Parish

## Today's Readings:

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 100

— We are his people, the sheep  
of his flock.

Second Reading:

Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

Gospel Reading: John 10:27-30

## 4th Sunday of Easter May 11th, 2025

### Sunday Reflection:

#### The Good Shepherd and Guardian of our souls

God used the image of a shepherd to describe his covenant relationship and care for his chosen people who were called by his name (Psalm 80:1 and 100:3). God called David, who shepherded his father's flock in his youth, to be the anointed king and shepherd for his people Israel (Ezekiel 37:24). Jesus, God's anointed Messiah and King, born from the tribe of David, called himself the Good Shepherd of the people whom his Father had entrusted to his care (John 10:29).

Peter the Apostle tells us that the Lord Jesus is the Good Shepherd and Guardian of our souls (1 Peter 2:25). He keeps a close and personal watch over every one of his sheep - his followers (disciples) who belong to him. He calls each of us personally by name to follow him. And he promises to be our guardian and protector from the snares of our enemy, Satan, the father of lies and a murderer from the beginning (John 8:44). The Lord leads us each day to good pastures - places where we can feed on his word and drink from the well-springs of living water which is his Holy Spirit (John 7:38-39, John 4:14). If we feed on his word and drink from the living water of the Holy Spirit, we will find the nourishment and strength we need to live each day for his glory and honor. Do you recognize the voice of your Shepherd and Guardian who calls to you each day?

## First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the  
following students who will be receiving their **FIRST  
HOLY COMMUNION** on Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at the  
10:30 a.m. Mass

Henry Cordova, Katherine Cates,  
Davis Johnson, Adilyn Mazza, Eleni Papadakos,  
Camryn Sack, Iker Hernandez Soto, Jack Tilley,  
And Enzo Verderaime.



**Many blessings to all the Mothers  
and the wonderful women who  
have an important role in our  
lives!!**

**We pray for all the Mothers who  
have gone before us.**

**Special thanks to the members of  
the Knights of Columbus for  
providing the carnations for the  
Mothers.**

### Readings for the week:

Monday: Acts 11:1-18, Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26, Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26,  
Jn 15:9-17

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25, Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33, Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52, Jn 15:18-21  
May 17th & May 18th

— Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145: I will  
praise your

name forever, my king and my God.

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a

Gospel Reading: John 13:31-33a, 34-35

# No Daily Masses

There will not be daily mass or adoration on Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> due to Diocesan Leadership Meetings.

## Memorial Service

There will not be 9:00 a.m. daily mass on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> due to the Memorial Service for Mary Ellen Murphy at 11:00 a.m.

*Knights of Columbus  
Pancake Breakfast  
Sunday, May 18th*

## *Parish Office will be closed*

The Parish Office will be closed on the following dates:

*Thursday, May 22nd. - (Office work day - I am NOT available all day.)*

*Friday, May 23rd  
and Monday, May 26th*

You are invited.....

With gratitude to Almighty God, the Diocese of Colorado Springs joyfully invites you to the Ordination of

MR. DOMINIC JOSEPH AMBUUL

MR. YUNIOR GONZALEZ-DIAZ

MR. IAN JOSEPH WHITE

to the Sacred Order of the Transitional Diaconate, through the laying on of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by His Excellency,

The Most Reverend James Robert Golka on Saturday, May 24th, 2025 at 10:00 AM at St. Mary's Cathedral  
22 W Kiowa Street in Colorado Springs

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## Pray for the Church Leaders



Prayer for the Election of a New Pope  
O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Extraordinary Minister of Communion Training

This is a mandatory Diocesan Training for ALL Extraordinary Ministers of Communion.

(For those who serve in the Church and for those who BRING communion to the Homebound.)

**(THIS IS A DIOCESAN REQUIREMENT so that you are MANDATED to be in this ministry for 3 years.)**

This is for ALL CURRENT and anyone who would like to be an Extraordinary Minister of Communion.

**THERE WILL BE TWO DIFFERENT TIMES FOR TRAINING.**

You only need to attend ONE training session. Training Sessions will be HELD in the Church Building.

**Dates for TRAINING:**

May 21st at 2:00 p.m. in the Church  
May 29th at 6:00 p.m. in the Church.

Please help by picking up baby bottle and filling it with donations to help with normal operating expenses for the Salida Pregnancy Center. Baby bottles need to be returned by Father's Day. !!  
Thank you

