

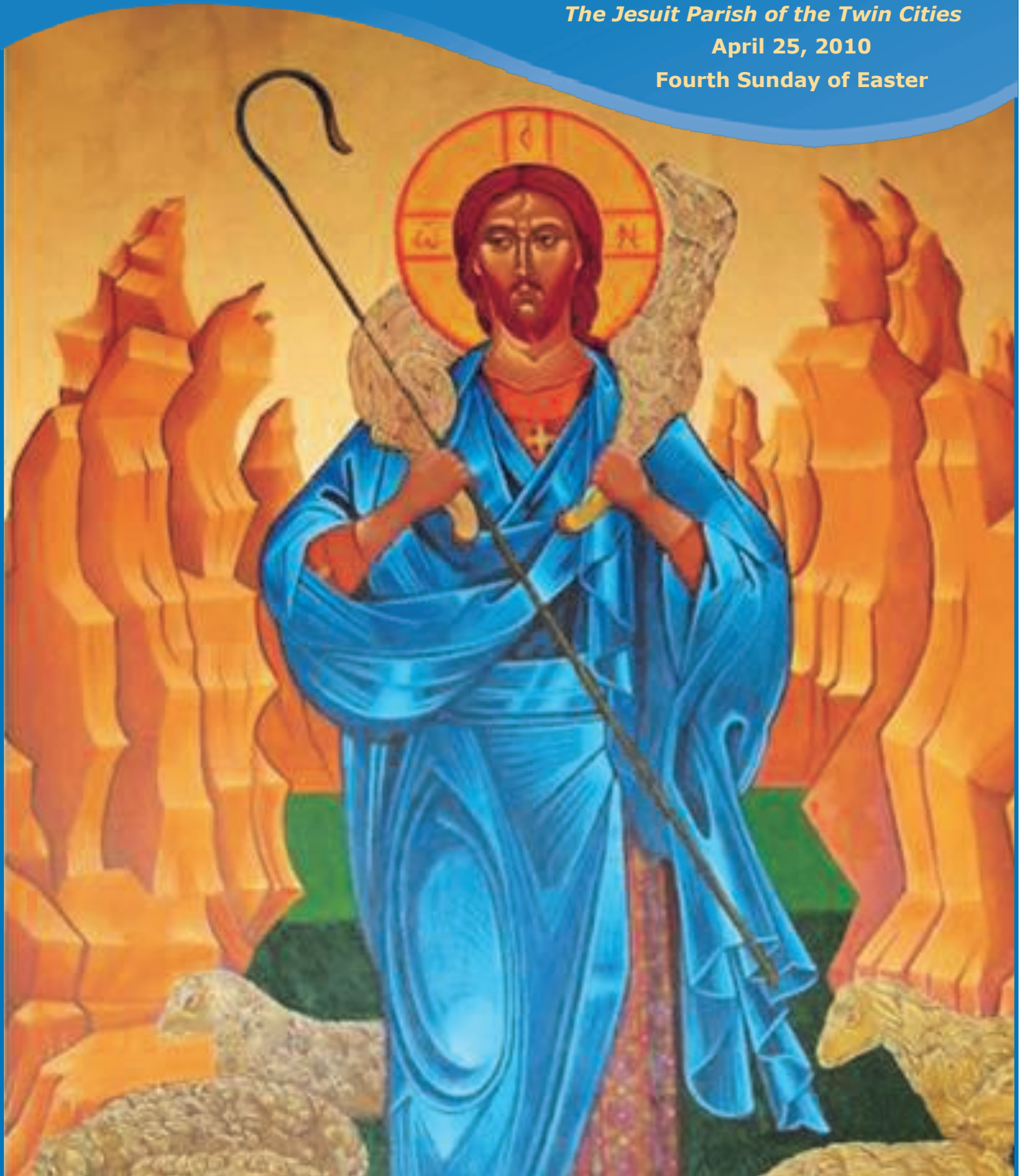


# SAINT THOMAS MORE Catholic Community

*The Jesuit Parish of the Twin Cities*

**April 25, 2010**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**



# Liturgy & Worship

## Liturgy

### 2nd Call for Scheduling Requests

If you are a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Sacristan or Altar Server, please let us know if you have plans to be out of town (or will be unavailable) anytime during our next schedule, covering weekend Masses from **May 29-Sept. 5**. If you have a "standing request" regarding how often or when you can minister, you don't need to contact us unless there has been a change. If you have no special requests or date conflicts, you do not need to contact anyone. We will be working on the new schedule the week of May 3. Please leave your requests with Dana at [dmccarthy@morecommunity.org](mailto:dmccarthy@morecommunity.org) or 651.227.7669 x306. You may also drop them off (or mail them to) the Pastoral Center, Attention: Dana. Thanks!

### Our Easter Garden



Our Easter Garden will bloom and change throughout the eight weeks of Easter. If you haven't already done so, there's still time to remember a deceased loved one, honor a special family member or friend, or simply "give thanks" this year by donating money toward flowering plants and festive fabrics for our Easter Environments. Envelopes are available at the entrances of both churches; or, if you regularly receive envelopes, you may use the designated envelope in your packet. Put your donation in the Sunday collection or mail/bring it to the Pastoral Center. Names of donors and their loved ones and honorees will be published in the Bulletin during the Easter season.

## Funeral Ministry

### Call for a "Prayerful Presence"



The STM Women's Group would like to provide a "prayerful presence" for families that have funerals at our parish - a group of men and women of all ages who would gather to provide support to grieving families at the time of their loss. The group would simply gather in the back of the church to pray before and during the funeral Mass.

We would like to compile a list of willing participants so that when we get word of a funeral we will have a phone tree or an email chain to alert the group of the date/time of the funeral.

In addition, while our primary goal is to be a prayerful support to the family, at times the family is in need of people to participate in the funeral liturgy by the way of liturgical ministry (Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, etc.) We would love to be able to tap this group for that support as well. Training would be provided.

If you are willing to be a participant in this "prayerful presence" please contact Patty Brick: 651.645.3929 or [six6bricks@msn.com](mailto:six6bricks@msn.com), and provide your name, contact preference (phone or email) and what you are willing to do (pray only, pray and help with ministry during the funeral).

Please prayerfully consider participating in this funeral ministry. Thank you!

## Worship

### Eucharistic Adoration

Beginning **Friday, May 7**, Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at the West Campus church on the First Friday of each month, flowing from the 7:15 am Mass that day and concluding with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6:00 pm. We invite you to join in this time of personal and communal prayer before the Risen Christ present in the Eucharist. Sign-up sheets can be found in the main entrance of our West Campus church and in the ramp and community corner of our East Campus church. Since we need to be sure that there are always at least two people present, we ask that you please indicate what time period you are available. You may also sign-up by contacting Christine Griffith, [wcriffith@comcast.net](mailto:wcriffith@comcast.net) or 651.222.4716. Prayer is the greatest power in the world. Please consider giving one or two hours a month to prayer in this traditional Catholic devotion. Prayer before the Risen Christ in the Blessed Sacrament transforms not only those who pray, but brings about the transformation of the world, the church, our community, our families and our neighborhoods.

# More Community

## Opportunities

### Saint Thomas More Women's Group

**The STM Women's Group needs you...and your flowers!** Our newly revived Women's Group is anxious to help beautify our campuses this spring, but we cannot do it alone! We are planning to bend our green thumbs and get our knees dirty by planting pretty perennials and awesome annuals in the gardens and planters at both campuses. However, our supplies are in short supply. If you've over-purchased any bedding plants, or recently split those Hostas, we will take them off your hands!

Women's Group members will be out in front of the West Campus on **Saturday, May 8**, 2:30-4:30 pm, to accept any contributions you may wish to make. We hope to plant the following Saturday. Thanks for helping us keep Saint Thomas More looking lovely!

### Community Caring for Life

#### Walk With Us...Two Events

Join us on **Sunday, May 2**, from 1:30-3:00 pm, for the May Day Family Rosary Procession – prayer for family life as we process from the Capitol to the Cathedral. If you are interested in walking with other members of Saint Thomas More, please contact John or Joan Williams at 651.644.1524.

We also invite you to join us for the "Walk for Life", supporting the Highland Lifecare Center, on **Saturday, May 15**, 9:30-11:30 am at Lake Phalen. Show your support by walking, or if you would like to donate, please sponsor a walker by signing a pledge sheet after the Sunday Masses on May 8/9 at both churches.

### Vacation Bible School



Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Holy Spirit, Nativity of Our Lord, and Lumen Christi Catholic Churches are hosting VBS in our area on **June 21-25**. There is a firm registration deadline of May 15.

PreK-1st graders have a morning program; 2nd-5th graders have a morning program with afternoon field trips; 6th-8th graders are assistants in the morning and also get to go on the field trips in the afternoon! This program has been held for many years and is a great opportunity for kids to grow in faith and fun. For on-line registration and information, go to <http://www.gloriadeistpaul.org/vbs2010>.

## Service & Justice

### Helping our STM Youth Choir Help the Orphans of Haiti



Our Parish Youth Choir will be holding a bake sale after the 10:30 Mass on **Sunday, May 9**. This is the Youth Choir's last ministry for the season and they want to end their season of song and prayer by working to make a difference in the lives of children who lost their families

in the devastating earthquake in Haiti last February.

Be sure to stop by after the 10:30 Mass on Mothers' Day and buy some baked goodies from our youth choir members. Help them live out their Christian mission by helping children who have lost both mother and father.

### Building a Healthy Future Together



#### East Metro Regional Meeting

**Tuesday, May 4**, 6:30-9:00 pm  
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer  
285 North Dale Street, St. Paul

**RSVP to Dave Greene at [greened@obligato.org](mailto:greened@obligato.org)**

You are invited to join a conversation with our state and local public officials, including candidates running for office about the future of our East Metro region, specifically with regard to three development projects that are important to the growth and health of our communities:

- ⇒ Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Line (CCLRT)
- ⇒ University of Minnesota Outreach, Research and Education (UMORE) Park – Southeast
- ⇒ Redevelopment of the Twin Cities Army and Ammunition Plant (TCAAP) - Arden Hills

All these projects are still in the planning stages. We have an opportunity at this event to sit down with our public officials and policy makers, representing all our parties, to engage in meaningful, civil dialogue about our future. Specifically, we will look to influence how the development of each of these projects will unfold to create just and equitable opportunities for jobs, for housing and in so doing create a thriving, vibrant and healthy communities for everyone in the East Metro region.

# Around the Community

## Opportunities

### Healing Resentments & Moving On



**A Presentation by Earnie Larsen**  
Co-sponsored with Catholic Charities  
Services for Separated & Divorced

**Saturday, May 8, 9:00 am-Noon**  
Saint John the Baptist Church  
835 2nd Ave NW, New Brighton

"Forgiveness work" can only begin when we realize that we have as much right to serenity and happiness as we do to our righteous anger. But there is a consequence in opening Pandora's box, just as there has been a consequence from sitting on the lid. Just letting out the ugly trolls doesn't send them away; it puts us face-to-face with them. It is the next leg of the journey, one that leads from anger to forgiveness and ends in the garden of serenity.

Cost: \$20, no pre-registrations; scholarships are available. Call Adaire Lassonde 651.647.3126.

### Couple's Communication Sessions



You are invited to attend a five-week program, sponsored by Catholic Charities' Counseling Services where you will:

- ❖ Learn listening and disclosure skills
- ❖ Help increase understanding
- ❖ Reduce tension and hostility
- ❖ Enrich your relationship

The group will meet **Tuesdays, May 11-June 8, 6:00-8:30 pm** at Seton Services, 1276 University Ave., Saint Paul. Please call 651.647.3186 for further information or to register.

### CDH Spring Choral & Band Concerts

The Music Department at Cretin-Derham Hall is proud to present its annual Spring Choral Concert on **Thursday, May 13, at 7:00 pm** in the Lillian Theater at CDH. The Spring Band Concert will be held on **Wednesday, May 19, at 7:00 pm**, also in the Lillian Theater.

These concerts are free and open to the public. For further information please contact Mary Jo Groeller at 651.696.3302 or [mjgroeller@c-dh.org](mailto:mjgroeller@c-dh.org).

## Offerings

### Shriners Hospitals - Care at No Cost



Shriners Hospitals for Children-Twin Cities is offering a free Screening Clinic on **Tuesday, May 11, 12:00-3:00 pm**, at 2025 East River Parkway, Mpls., for children 18 years or under who are experiencing bone, muscle, or joint problems. All children are eligible for treatment regardless of financial status, income or insurance coverage. Shriners Hospitals for Children is a pediatric orthopaedic hospital providing high quality care at no cost. The pediatric specialists are leaders in their field and have advanced training and experience in caring for children. To make an appointment, please contact the application assistant at 612.596.6105 or 1.888.293.2832 or [applicationtc@shrinenet.org](mailto:applicationtc@shrinenet.org).

### Minnesota Friends of the Orphans

Minnesota Friends of the Orphans is hosting the 4th Annual Cinco de Mayo 5K Run/Walk on **Sunday, May 2, starting at 9:00 am**, at 1840 Edgcumbe Ave., St. Paul. Registration is at 8:30 am; participants can download a registration form or fundraise for the race at [www.active.com/donate/FOTO5K2010](http://www.active.com/donate/FOTO5K2010). There is also a Kids' Run, which begins at 8:45 am. More information is available at the FOTO link: [www.friendsoftheorphans.org/2010UPM5K](http://www.friendsoftheorphans.org/2010UPM5K).

Minnesota Friends of the Orphans (FOTO) is the Minnesota branch of Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (Our Little Brothers and Sisters), an international organization dedicated to improving the lives of orphaned, abandoned and disadvantaged children through a network of orphanages in Latin America and the Caribbean. (Saint Thomas More has parishioners scheduled to travel to Guatemala on their mission trip with this organization in August.) FOTO provides funding/sponsorships for children living in nine orphan homes in the countries of Bolivia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua and Peru. The home in Haiti also runs the only pediatric hospital in the country, which is now serving both adults and children following the recent earthquake.

More information about NPH can be found at [www.nph.org](http://www.nph.org). For more information about the organization or this event, please contact Tanya Wright at [tlwright70@hotmail.com](mailto:tlwright70@hotmail.com) or you may call the Friends of the Orphans office, 651.482.1703.

## Church Notes for Children

### Beeswax

Have you ever seen a beehive? Many zoos have them in glass cases so that you can safely watch the incredible activity of the bees. Christian poets compare the Church to a beehive, where everyone is supposed to work together for the common good. A beehive would fail if its motto were "every bee to herself."

Special organs in the bees' bodies create the wax that bees use to build the hive. When you burn a beeswax candle, you're releasing energy gathered by the bees from flowers, which gathered energy from the sun. A candle flame is so simple and yet so amazing. It's also dangerous, like many other simple but amazing things.

Christian poets have written that baptized people are like shining candles. For a candle to burn, the wax must be burned up. Like a beehive, a candle is a sign of self-sacrifice, of the giving of ourselves for the good of one another. That's a reason Christians light candles during times of prayer.

In church during these 50 days of Easter, a huge paschal candle stands up front. We call its light "the light of Christ" and its flame "the fire of the Holy Spirit." The newly baptized receive their own candles lit from the paschal candle. These people are told to walk always as children of the light.

The paschal candle is like the pillar of fire that led the people out of their slavery in Egypt and onward to the promised land. Where is God's fire leading you?



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O Holy Spirit.

Open my ears to hear  
the Shepherd's voice.

Let me know when those  
who speak to me  
are bringing a message  
from the Good Shepherd.

A word of affirmation,  
correction  
or encouragement.

Each is a tiny prophecy for  
the listening heart.

Amen.

## Bringing Home the Word

### A Shepherd's Capable Hands



Looking back over your life, what were some of the voices that have stayed with you? Perhaps it was the sound of your mother calling you to eat, or the voice of the college professor who taught you American history with such passion, or the prophetic priest who changed your life at a monastery retreat.

Many voices in our life echo the voice of the Shepherd. I believe the Shepherd is still speaking through his "little" prophets - those ordinary people who momentarily speak in God's name.

Prophecy is not a gift for the ancient past. Rather, when God wishes, he inspires teachers, parents, priests and even folks like you and me to speak for him. Sometimes these people are not even aware that they are speaking for God. They are simply saying what is in their hearts. The important thing is that we recognize who is speaking. When God speaks, there is an authority to the voice.

God has not stopped talking to us. We have just forgotten how to listen. Turn your ears to the voices in your life. There could be a prophet among your friends and family, even a casual acquaintance or a complete stranger. If we learn to keep listening, we will begin to recognize it at the right time.

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# More Worship

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

### Acts 13:14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas preach the word of God during their first missionary journey. The word of God is for everyone.

### Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

John portrays the outcome of the Lamb's saving work.

### John 10:27-30

Jesus declares that his sheep are those who believe in him and follow him.

## Reflection Questions

1. What is some of the best advice you have received?
2. Jesus gives us eternal life, how does that gift influence your faith?
3. Do you pray to Jesus, the Father or the Spirit? What influences your choice?
4. How does Jesus work in your life?

## Liturgy Schedule

Mass, Saturday, 4:30 pm  
West Campus, 1550 Summit

Mass, Sunday, 8:00 & 10:30 am  
East Campus, 1093 Summit

Weekday Masses, West Campus  
Tuesday-Friday, 7:15 am

Reconciliation, West Campus  
Saturday, 3:30-4:00 pm

Adoration, East Campus  
Tuesday, 1:00-5:00 pm

Centering Prayer, East Campus  
Tuesday, 5:30-6:15 pm

## Mass Intentions

### Apr. 24, Saturday

4:30pm † Kenneth Bodlovick

### Apr. 25, Sunday

8:00am STM Community

10:30am † John O'Leary

### Apr. 27, Tuesday

7:15am † James Villarreal

### Apr. 28, Wednesday

7:15am † Dolly & Bert Williams

8:30am STM School

### Apr. 29, Thursday

7:15am † Fr. Eugene Jakubek, S.J.

### Apr. 30, Friday

7:15am † Ron Lau

### May 1, Saturday

4:30pm † Ruth Zawistowski

### May 2, Sunday

8:00am † Kathleen O'Connell

10:30am STM Community

## We Remember

† Patricia Hodne,  
mother of Joan Mishek

## Pray For Us

Wanda Blaha	Doug Hess
Jim Brandl	Julie Horvath
Dick Darling	Megan Osendorf
Ken Day	Ted Kay
Chuck Fried	Maryah Tift
Vicki Gabler	Tim Towle
Ann Gilsdorf	Margaret Weiss

## Week of April 25

**Sun.** Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

**Mon.** Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10

**Tue.** Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

**Wed.** Acts 12:24---13:5a/Jn 12:44-50

**Thu.** Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

**Fri.** Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

**Sat.** Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

**Sun.** Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/  
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

# FYI

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## West Campus Church

1550 Summit Avenue, St. Paul

## Saint Thomas More School

7:45 am-3:45 pm, Mon. - Fri.  
1065 Summit Ave., 651.224.4836

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East Church: please use the east parking lot ramp entrance.  
West Church is ground level; use the doors under the awning.  
STM School: use the elevator at the main north parking lot entrance. The Pastoral Center is not handicapped accessible.