



*M*y sheep hear my voice; I
know them, and they follow me.
I give them eternal life, and
they shall never perish.

John 10:27-28

Sunday of Easter

Saint Peter Parish

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Welcome

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,

No matter what your current family or marital situation,

No matter what your current personal history, age, background, race, etc.,

No matter what your own self image,

You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at

Saint Peter Parish.

We are here to welcome and serve you.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

12 Noon and 5:00 PM

(10:00 am Family Liturgy)

Monday 8:00 AM

prayer/communion service

Tuesday-Saturday 8:00 AM Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 PM

or by appointment

Assisting Clergy:

12:00 Noon Rev. Dan Harrington, SJ

5:00 PM Rev. Jim Keenan, SJ

Rev. Christopher Frechette, SJ

To schedule Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or for any question you may have please visit our website or call the Parish Office.

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ST. PAUL CENTER FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

By Dr. Scott Hahn

Shepherd and the Lamb

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Cycle C)

Acts 13:14, 43-52

Psalm 100:1-3, 5

Revelation 7:9,14-17

John 10:27-30

Israel's mission - to be God's instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth (see Isaiah 49:6) - is fulfilled in the Church.

By the "Word of God" that Paul and Barnabas preach in today's First Reading, a new covenant people is being born, a people who glorify the God of Israel as the Father of them all.

The Church for all generations remains faithful to the grace of God given to the Apostles, continues their saving work.

Through the Church, the peoples of every land hear the Shepherd's voice, and follow Him (see Luke 10:16). The Good Shepherd of today's Gospel is the enthroned Lamb of today's Second Reading. In laying down His life for His flock, the Lamb brought to pass a new Passover (see 1 Corinthians 5:7), by His blood freeing "every nation, race, people and tongue" from bondage to sin and death.

The Church is the "great multitude" John sees in his vision today. God swore to Abraham his descendants would be too numerous to count. And in the Church, as John sees, this promise is fulfilled (compare Revelation 7:9; Genesis 15:5).

The Lamb rules from the throne of God, sheltering His flock, feeding their hunger with His own Body and Blood, leading them to "springs of life-giving waters" that well up to eternal life (see John 4:14).

The Lamb is the eternal Shepherd-King, the son of David foretold by the prophets. His Church is the Kingdom of all Israel that the prophets said would be restored in an everlasting covenant (see Ezekiel 34:23-31; 37:23-28).

It is not a kingdom any tribe or nation can jealously claim as theirs alone. The Shepherd's Word to Israel is addressed now to all lands, calling all to worship and bless His name in the heavenly Temple.

This is the delight of the Gentiles - that we can sing the song that once only Israel could sing, today's joyful Psalm: "He made us, His we are - His people, the flock He tends."

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

This past week we have witnessed yet another act of terror. We are still shocked at the wanton destruction of human life that two bombs visited upon those participating in and attending the Boston Marathon. Our thoughts and our prayers go out to all who have been so seriously affected by this reckless act. We pray for healing and God's peace.

It seems especially strange that while the Christian world celebrates the Easter Season – the Season of Life and Resurrection – that such an act of utter disregard for human life could take place.

But, we believe that the power of the Light is greater than the power of the darkness. In the midst of this awful tragedy, we thank God for the many wonderful and caring people - both professional and volunteer – who raced to offer assistance. Their unselfish actions undoubtedly were life-giving graces to those in need. (It's like the Easter Scripture – finding / being the presence of the risen, living Christ present and with us in our everyday lives.)

BOSTON CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2013 Catholic Appeal campaign is well underway at St. Peter Parish. So far, 56 parishioners have participated, and together, we have raised \$36,850 toward our parish campaign goal of \$49,485. Thank you to all who participated up to this point. Your generosity will benefit hundreds of pastoral, charitable, and educational programs at work within the Archdiocese of Boston, and at St. Peter Parish. With \$12,635 left to raise, we need the participation of every parishioner. Your gift to the Catholic Appeal brings to life the parable of the Good Samaritan and is an important way we as a parish community join together in the Church's universal work to serve others.

If you have yet to participate in the 2013 Catholic Appeal, please take a pledge form available at the doors of the Church or visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org. Please note that you may make a pledge payable in monthly installments up until January 31, 2014.

END OF LIFE ISSUES

On Sunday afternoons, April 21st and 28th 3:00 - 4:30 pm, we are planning a Panel Discussion format to talk about "end-of-life" issues. Each week the 3 member panel will be comprised of experienced professionals who will speak and then lead the discussion. (Please watch the parish bulletin for the names of the panelists.) Week one will focus on the importance of:

- *making good decisions on health care
- *selecting a health care proxy
- *the writing of a will
- *telling family and friends about your wishes for a funeral and burial

and will be led by Mary Harrison, Catholic Chaplain - Mount Auburn Hospital and Rev. Thomas Mahoney, present Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Belmont and former Chaplain at Mass General Hospital.

Week two will be more practical and discuss how you go about carrying out your decisions.

Calendar of Events

Weekly Schedule April 21st - 28th

- Sunday** 9:15 am Youth Choir practice, 11:15 am Religious Education classes (school), 3:00 pm End of Life Issues (parish ctr.), 4:00 pm Contemporary Adult choir practice
- Tuesday** 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (gym), 7:30 pm St. Vincent DePaul Society meeting (parish ctr.)
- Wednesday** 7:00 pm AA meeting (school café), 7:10 pm Ladies Sodality rosary/prayer service (church/parish ctr.)
- Thursday** 7:30 pm PPC meeting (parish ctr.)
- Saturday** 8:45 am First Communion Retreat (church/parish ctr/school), 3:00 pm Traditional choir practice
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Mass Intentions

Weekend of April 20/21

- Saturday 8:00 AM Jennie Manganaro
- 4:00 PM Margaret O'Brien
Joe O'Brien & Neal O'Brien
- 8:00 AM 45th Wedding Anniversary
Remembrance for
both Kevin & Fran Mulvey
Mary Morgan -
Birthday Remembrance
- 12:00 Noon Theresa Harris

Week of April 22-26

No Masses Booked

Weekend of April 27/28

- Saturday 8:00 PM Kelly King Mui Wong
- Sunday 8:00 AM James Wallie
- 10:00 AM Joseph & Donalda Sears -
Memorial Mass
- 5:00 PM John Harney

Collections

Weekly Offertory April 13/14 \$5386
Thank you for your generosity.

WE PRAY FOR : those who are having a difficult time in their lives; for the imprisoned and the addicted; or the hungry and the homeless; for those who suffer abuse at the hands of another; For all families and caregivers; and for all who have asked for our prayers.

Names will be placed on list for a period of 4 weeks. If you wish to keep names in bulletin for a longer period of time please contact the parish office by emailing office@saintpetercambridge.org or calling 617-547-4235.



BIBLE RESEARCH

See what you can discover for yourself about the background to the readings.

This Sunday's readings are taken from four of the books which make up the Bible: Acts, Psalms, Revelation, and the Gospel according to John.

See if you can find out how many books there are in the Bible. How many are there in the New Testament, and how many in the Old Testament?

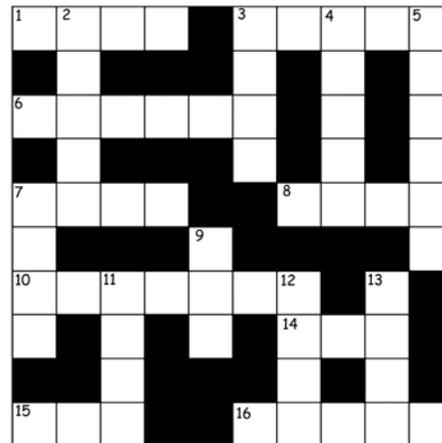
Discover what the difference is between the Old and New Testaments.

Finally, who decided which books should be included in the Bible, and when was this decision made?

CROSSWORD

(Most answers are in today's readings)

CLUES ACROSS 1. He travelled with Barnabas 3. Opposite of dark 6. Lack of food causes this 7. Opposite of coldness 8. These people expelled Paul from their territory 10. One _____ under God (plural) 14. Jesus and the Father are this 15. It gives great heat 16. God will lead us to this in heaven; another word for splendor



CLUES DOWN 2. Paul received this violent rudeness from hostile Jews in Antioch 3. A title for God 4. A spiritual gift from God 5. Lack of water causes this 7. This completes an arm 9. Great happiness 11. Similar to a city 12. The spiritual part of a person 13. Every one of these will be wiped away

A PICTURE TO COLOR

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 10, 27-30

