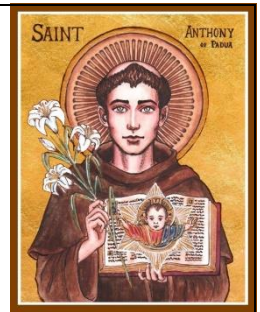


CORIO & LARA CATHOLIC PARISH

ST FRANCIS XAVIER, CORIO | ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, LARA



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 Saturday 7pm Vigil (Corio) | Sunday 9am (Lara) 11am (Corio)
 Holy Hour & Confessions: Tuesday 6pm (Corio)

Sunday 30th April 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance Antiphon

The earth is full of goodness of the Lord; by word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd is risen! He who laid down his life for his sheep, who died for his flock, he is risen, alleluia.

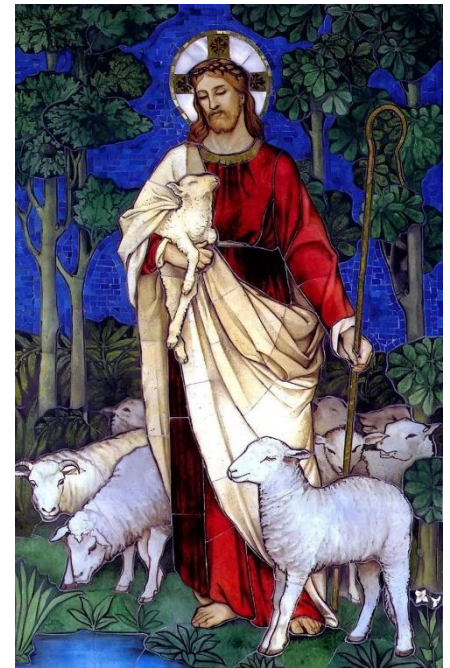
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Pope Francis tells us: *There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.*

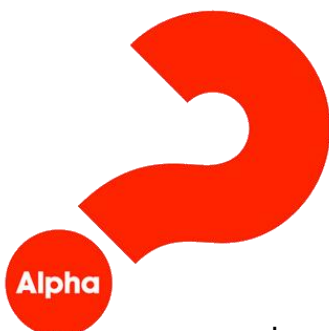
We pray for Rhys, Greg and all the seminarians who have responded to God's call in their lives, that they be blessed with courage and perseverance to become shepherds after the heart of Jesus.

We also pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.



ALPHA STARTS THIS WEEK!

This fantastic opportunity to explore our faith while getting to know each other starts this Thursday evening. There are a handful of spots available so if you've been sitting on the fence about coming along, come and check it out! Register via the QR code on the next page/ contact Ken or Deacon Royden for more information.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *A reading from the Acts of Apostles*

(2: 14, 36-41)

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.' Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 22* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING *A reading from the first letter of St Peter* (2: 20-25)

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty. This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John*

(10: 1-10)

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.' Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them. So Jesus spoke to them again: 'I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

Next Sunday's Readings

Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 6: 1-7 | Second Reading: 1Pet 2: 4-9 | Jn 14: 1-12

As a community we pray for

The Sick: Jessica De Grandis, John Thomas, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Ibi Bolyos, Dee Tetzloff, Michael Watson, Katareena Cabretti, Mark Tetzloff and Eva Watson, Michael Cabretti, Stella Rani.

Recently Deceased: Peggy Crompton, Jim Porter

Anniversary: Virginia Ocampo

Parish Thanksgiving: Parishioners, who have changed their residential address or phone numbers, please contact the Parish office, as it needs to be updated. Please ring the Parish Office to register or to set up the thanksgiving by envelopes or by direct debit.

Infant Baptism: Please email us at fxcorio@iinet.net.au for information regarding having your child baptised at Corio and Lara Parish. Next Baptism Preparation meeting is Sunday, 7th May at St Francis Xavier Church, Corio. Preparation session starts at 11:00am Mass, followed Sausage sizzle and sessions afterwards.

Permanent Deacon Information Session: We've been blessed to welcome Deacon Royden to our Parish Team. He is one of the growing number of Permanent Deacons in the Archdiocese: single or married men who serve in ordained ministry in parishes and other pastoral settings.

An information day is being held for men aged 30 – 60 who might sense that God is calling them to serve in this way: Saturday 3 June 2023, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne. See the noticeboards for more info.

And a further link on the Permanent diaconate: [Melbourne Archdiocese Deacons - YouTube](#)

Help Marnie & Darcey get to World Youth Day. An immense thank you to everyone who has generously contributed to sending our young pilgrims to World Youth Day later this year. While the weather is no longer ideal for carwashes, donations are still gratefully received. They have also set up a bank account that people can send donations to: BSB: 733-226 and Acc no: 833 804.

WYD Fundraiser: Mother's Day Stall: The Young Adults will be selling unique Catholic gifts for Mother's Day after the 11am mass next weekend. All profits will support the WYD pilgrims.

Adult Confirmation: At the 11am mass on Pentecost Sunday, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for adult parishioners who practice their faith but for whatever reason, never received this Sacrament. Three preparation sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings leading up to Pentecost. Please speak to Fr Daryl after mass or contact the Parish Office if you wish to register.

Alpha: Only a few places remain for our first Parish Alpha which starts this week!

The sessions will be held on Thursday evenings **7-9pm at St Anthony's**. Scan the QR code to register. the church noticeboards or speak to Deacon Royden or Ken McCarthy for more information.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Reconciliation
First Eucharist
and Confirmation

Please keep in your prayers our sacramental program candidates as they prepare for the sacrament of reconciliation

Please also note that registrations are now open for Confirmation commencing May 2023 & Eucharist commencing August 2023

Should you have any queries please contact the parish office:
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PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY 1 st May	TUESDAY 2 nd May	WEDNESDAY 3 rd May	THURSDAY 4 th May	FRIDAY 5 th May	SATURDAY 6 th May	SUNDAY 7 th May
	9.15am Mass Corio 6pm Holy Hour, Corio	NO MASS today	9.15am Mass Corio	7:30 am Mass Corio	9.30am First Saturday Mass 7:00 pm Mass Corio	9:00am Mass, Lara 11:00am Mass, Corio

ROSTERS

TIME AND DATE	READER/COMMENTATOR	EUCCHARIST MINISTERS
6 th May 7:00pm, Corio	L Pankhurst K McCarthy	M Delac
7 th May 9:00 am Lara	C Foley – C R Vasquez- R	L Kulic
11:00am Corio	FAMILY MASS	S Grootveld M Leszyk

Parish Prayer

We, the people of Corio & Lara Catholic Parish give thanks and praise to God the Father. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become more like Jesus: listening to the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist; sharing each other's lives and forgiving one another; respecting creation and taking responsibility for our world.

Like St Francis Xavier, may we offer light to those in darkness, and warmly welcome all people.

Like St Anthony of Padua, may we nourish the hungry with wise words and kind deeds.

St Francis Xavier, pray for us. St Anthony of Padua, pray for us.

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Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.