

**April 17, 2016**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter (year C)**

**From The Desk of Msgr. Corrigan:**

Three items of good news. We are close to reaching our pledge goals for the Cardinal's campaign: \$31,500.00 I thank all who made pledges and encourage them to pay their pledges in the coming months. The second good news is that my history of the parish is about to go to press. Copies should be available in June. It is titled "St. Mary's of the Immaculate Conception, Yonkers 1848-2016; reflections by the pastor, Rev. Msgr. Hugh J. Corrigan". It consists of 170 pages, of which 35 pages contain photos. Our first photo is from 1847; photos were called "Daguerreotypes" in those days. The most recent photos were taken during Holy Week 2016. The book will be a first class production with an attractive hard cover. The price of each copy has not been determined yet, but it will probably be in the \$30.00-\$40.00 range. It will be made available first to our parishioners. Save your money-it is well worth the price. It is a book you will treasure. In the Appendix A,B, and C we have included the names and dates of service of all the Priests, Sisters of Charity and Christian Brothers who served at St. Mary's. The third good news is that we will soon (Fall?) begin our campaign to repair our stained glass windows.



**COLLECTION:** the collection for last Sunday April 10, 2016 was

**\$ 4,635.00**

The second collection this Sunday April 17, 2016 will be our monthly collection to help with our Church Property Insurance. The second collection next Sunday, April 24, 2016 will be for the Mother's Day Mass Remembrance.



**Fourth Sunday of Easter:** Today is known as Good Shepherd Sunday because the Gospel on the Fourth Sunday of Easter every year portrays Jesus proclaiming himself as the Good Shepherd. It is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, as we pray for all those in our midst who hear the voice of the Good Shepherd and seek to become shepherds as well, by God's grace.

**First Reading:** *Acts 13:14*(page23) – resistance does not silence the proclamation of the gospel; salvation must be proclaimed to all the nations.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 100* (page 24) - *"We are his people, the sheep of his flock"*

**Second Reading:** *Revelation 7:9, 14b-17* (page 24) – we see God on his throne and the Lamb; the Lamb becomes a shepherd and leads the saints to life-giving water.

**Gospel:** *John 10:27-30* (page 25) - Jesus is portrayed as the shepherd who has intimate knowledge of his sheep. They will follow him and attain eternal life.



**Praying with the Word:** God, our shepherd, open our ears to recognize your voice and follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd; open our eyes to see you where we least expect.



**Parish Council Meeting:** There will be a Parish Council Meeting this coming Wednesday April 20, 2016 at 7:00pm in the Rectory.



To date our parish has received \$30,800.00 in pledges/gifts toward the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal, from 127 families. For this Appeal to be truly successful, we must have support from all of our families. The Appeal is a vital source of funding for the programs and

ministries that sustain the parishes across our Archdiocese. It is not too late to make your gift. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you for your kind support.



**Daily Mass:** Will be celebrated in the Main Church.