ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today, is the World Vocations Sunday. The Universal Church asks for a second Collection for the diocesan Seminaries.
- 2. Today we are all invited to pay a visit to the Allamano Centre building after the mass. Kindly assemble at the Gazebo and from there you will be guided to walk together to the building.
- 3. We have started registering for the Pilgrimages to Namugongo, the Ugandan Martyrs Shrine. Please visit the parish office for registration at Kshs. 16,000 per person. Only few places are available.
- 4. Every Friday of Easter time, instead of praying the Way of the Cross, we invite you to pray the Way of Light. You can get the booklets in the bookshop if you wish to pray it by yourself and with your families. You can join us at the Prayer Garden every Friday at 4pm.
- 5. A Novena of 9 Saturdays in preparation to the Feast of Our Lady Consolata has started at the evening mass, followed by the rosary and a special reflection. We welcome you for the 3rd day of novena next Saturday. In this occasion, we will pray for all workers and the jobless.
- 6. Next Sunday 29th, CWA will have their monthly meeting after 9am mass in the Parish Hall. All members are requested to attend.
- 7. The Bankers group will have their meeting on Sunday 29th April after the 9am mass at the Tent. Registration of the new Members will be done during the meeting.
- 8. The Junior Youth will have their 3 days' Formation, Spiritual reflection and Sports from Tuesday 24th to Thursday 26th April. Registration and for more details at the desk at the Gazebo.
- 9. From 1st May upto 7th June, we will have the pilgrim of the Icon of Our Lady Consolata to the homes from Mondays to Fridays. It is a special occasion to have our Mother visiting our families. Everyday Mass and blessing of the house will take place in the home where the Icon will be. If you would wish the Icon to visit your home, please register in the Parish Office during the week.
- 10. The Allamano Centre keeps growing. We keep appealing for your prayers and contributions towards the completion of this project. Visit the tables at the gazebo for your contributions and pledges. God bless you!

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CONSOLATA SHRINE FOUTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B 22nd APRIL 2018



FIRST READING

ACTS 4:8-12

"There is no other name by which we must be saved."
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In those days: Peter filled with the Holy Spirit said, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a cripple, by what means this man has been healed, be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by him this man is standing before you well. This is the stone which was rejected by you builders, but which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 118:1. 8-9, 21-23. 26. 28. 29 R. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone

Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man;

it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. ${\bf R}$

I will thank you, for you have answered, and you are my saviour.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done, a marvel in our eyes. **R**



"Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. You are my God, I praise you. My God, I exalt you. Give praise to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever. **R**

SECOND READING

I John 3:1-2

"We shall see God as he is."

A reading from the Letter of Saint John

Beloved: See what love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.



Alleluia, Alleluia

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own, and my own know me. Alleluia, Alleluia.



GOSPEL John 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

At that time: Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hireling and not a shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hireling and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life, that I may take it again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again; this charge I have received from my Father."

Reflection: The Shepherd's Voice by Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

Jesus, in today's Gospel, says that He is the good shepherd the prophets had promised to Israel. He is the shepherd-prince, the new David-who frees people from bondage to sin and gathers them into one flock, the Church, under a new covenant, made in His blood. His flock includes other sheep. He says, far more than the dispersed children of Israel. And He gave His Church the mission of shepherding all peoples to the Father. In today's First Reading, we see the beginnings of that mission in the testimony of Peter, whom the Lord appointed shepherd of His Church. Peter tells Israel's leaders that the Psalm we sing today is a prophecy of their rejection and crucifixion of Christ. He tells the "builders" of Israel's temple, that God has made the stone they rejected the cornerstone of a new spiritual temple, the Church. Through the ministry of the Church, the shepherd still speaks, and forgives sins, and makes His body and blood present, that all may know Him in the breaking of the bread. It is a mission that will continue until all the world is one flock under the one shepherd. In laying down His life and taking it up again, Jesus made it possible for us to know God as He did-as sons and daughters of the Father who loves us. As we hear in today's Epistle, He calls us His children, as He called Israel His son when He led them out of Egypt and made His covenant with them. Today, let us listen for His voice as He speaks to us in the Scriptures, and vow again to be more faithful followers. And let us give thanks for the blessings He bestows from His altar.

Prayer for vocations

God Our Father, you will all people to be saved and come to the knowledge of your truth. Send workers into your great harvest that the gospel may be preached to every creature and your people, gathered together by the word of life and strengthened by the power of the sacraments, may advance in the way of salvation and love. Through Christ our lord. Amen

COME AND SEE WHERE WE HAVE BEEN KILLED AND WHERE YOU CAN GET MORE GRACES FOR PERSEVERANCE AND STRENGTH!!!! WE GAVE OUR LIFE FOR CHRIST!!



We, the **Uganda Martyrs** are a group of 23 Anglican and 22 Catholic converts to Christianity in the historical kingdom of Buganda, now part of Uganda, who were executed between November 1885 and January 1887

A Shrine has been built in our honour... all Glory to God!

Our **FEAST DAY IS ON 3RD JUNE**.

on 2nd June and going back on 4th June.
Including transport and accommodation
for two nights (half-board)
at very affordable price!!!
That's good! We hope to see many of you
join many other Africans,
who even walk to reach our place!

WELCOME AND REGISTER NOW!

DAILY READINGS

Monday: Act 11: 1-18; Ps 42; Jn 10:1-10. Tuesday: Acts 11: 19-26; Ps 87; Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89; Mk 16:15-20

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89; Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33: Ps 2; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98; Jn 14:7-14

Schedules for Masses:

Sunday: 7.30 am Kiswahili 9.00 am; 10.30 am; 12.00 noon & 5:30 pm English

Saturday: English 7.00 a m; 9.00 am & 5.30 pm Monday to Friday: English 7:00 am & 1.15 am , 5.30 pm Kiswahili