



Open Door

MIGUEL DULICK

It is “Good Shepherd Sunday,” and the gospel quotes Jesus: “I am the gate for the sheep.” It seems the oddest of Jesus’ “I am” identities, until you realize that the shepherd himself was often the literal gate of the sheep’s pen, as he would lay his own body across the entrance to keep the sheep secure and safe from any predators. Actually, the predators that worry Jesus the most are other shepherds—“strangers” who came before him, all of whom Jesus flatly denounces as “thieves and robbers.”

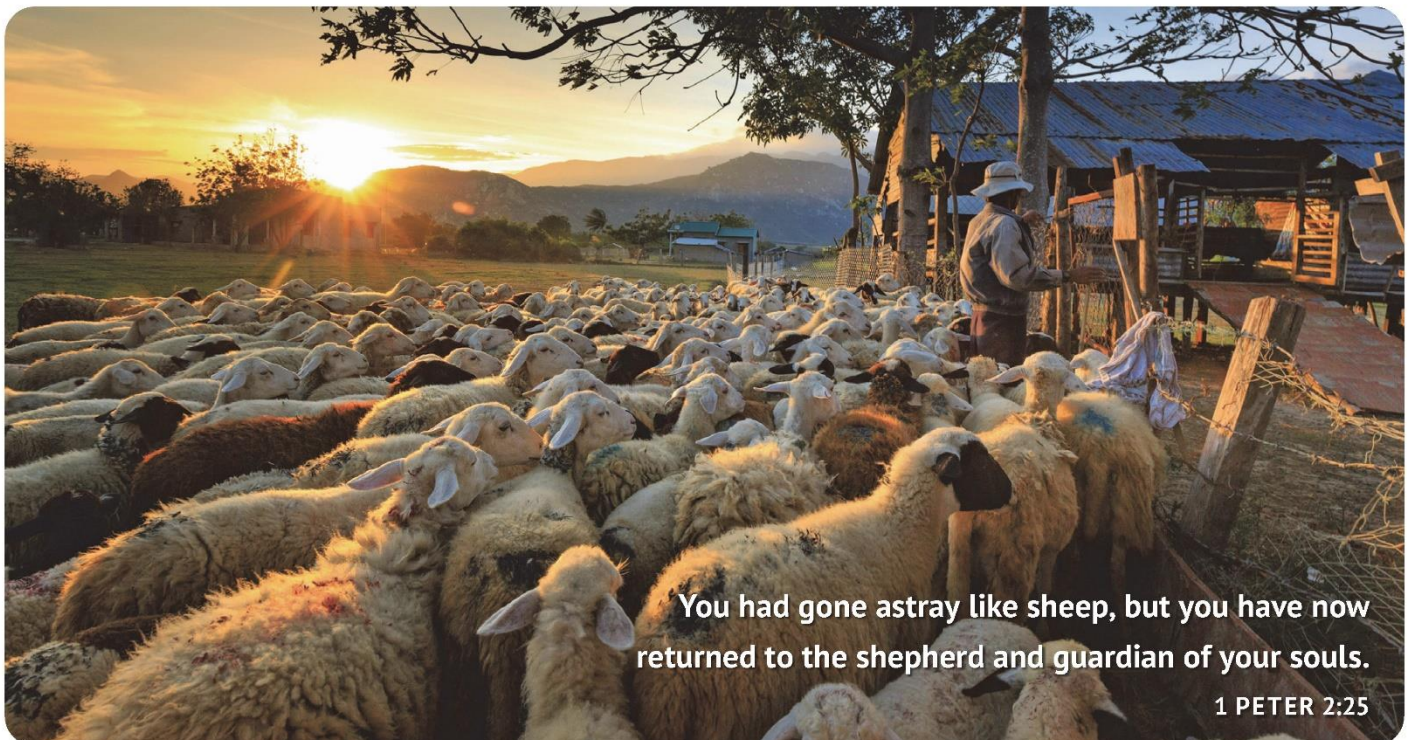
Does that scare us today? Are we vulnerable to attacks, even from those supposedly in charge of our care? When Jesus opens the gate, we go in and out through him, through Jesus, to find pasture. We follow

him because we recognize “his voice.” In the synodal Church that Pope Francis called us to, and to which we continue to be called by Pope Leo XIV, every voice is welcome and needed so that the Holy Spirit will fill the whole Church with truth.

Here in Honduras, where I live, folks with little education can offer profound witness to the love of God. It comes from their own intimacy with Jesus, recognizing his voice in their daily life. They are often the poor victims of widespread corruption, like “a thief [who] comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy.” Here in Honduras, we take refuge in Jesus, that we “might have life and have it more abundantly” (John 10:10). ●

Reflect

How can we recognize voices that speak the truth? How do we recognize Jesus’ voice?



You had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

1 PETER 2:25

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St. Brieux Parish Office Hours

Fr. Tru Le – Is available all week with the exception of Monday – his day off.

Denise: Office hours: Wednesday 8:30 – 3:00

Bulletin and information is available on the website: stbrieuxparish.ca and our Facebook page: **St. Brieux Catholic Church.**

St. Brieux Parish Mass Times:

Adoration/Reconciliation – 1ST Wednesday of Month At 6:00 pm and 1st Friday of Month – following mass

Saturday: 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Time

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation (St. Brieux):

Fr. Tru is available to hear Confession:

-Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. before 7:00 p.m. Mass

-The 1st Wednesday & 1st Friday of the month during Adoration Hour

-Confession is available by appointment.

Grief Ministry

Someone is available for you and your family members to talk or just listen Call Fr. Tru Le at 306-714-7717

Pregnancy Crisis Line: 1-800-665-0570

Farm Crisis Line: 1-800-667-4442

Catholic Family Services: 1-877-922-3202

for appointment

EVENTS THIS WEEK

April 28: Mass 9:00 am

April 29: Mass 9:00 am

April 30: Mass 10:00 am (St. Brieux Manor)

May 1: Mass 9:00 am – Adoration following mass

May 2: Mass 7:00 pm (St. Brieux)

May 3: Mass 9:00 am (St. Brieux)

COFFEE SUNDAY

May 3: Mass 4:00 pm (Kinistino)

UPCOMING EVENTS


May 4th to 8th – Fr Tru will be away for a Retreat. There will be no masses or adoration during this time.

May 9: Mass 7:00 pm (St. Brieux)

May 10: Mass 9:00 am (St. Brieux)

Mass 4:00 pm (Kinistino)

“For I do not seek to understand in order that I may believe, but I believe in order to understand.”



- St. Anselm

St. Brieux Parish Mass Intentions

Tues. Apr.28	9:00 am	+Kevin Mudrik By Wayne & Helen Kruger
Wed. Apr.29	9:00 am	+Lucien Fagnou By Edwin & Christine Bedard
Thurs. Apr.30	10:00 a.m. (at the Manor)	+Marie Gregoire By Roger & Janet Creurer
Fri. May 1	9:00 am	+Leanne McRae by Richard Coquet & Marthe Rohel-Coquet
Sat. May 2	7:00 p.m.	+Jim Redgwell By Edwin & Christine Bedard
Sun. May 3	9:00 am	All Parishioners

Leaving a Legacy:

REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH - By leaving a gift in your will or estate to St. Brieux Parish. The impact will be felt and remembered for generations.

For more information, please contact the parish office at 306-275-2043

The Ill & Elderly Ministry:

Percy King, Marthe Rohel-Coquet accepted to continue this card ministry and would appreciate being informed of anyone who would be touched by receiving a card in the name of our St. Brieux Parish.

Pray It Forward Prayer Group:

To join this ministry, or have an Intercessory Prayer Request contact Terry Valmont by text or call at 306-920-8771. Prayer requests can be submitted either anonymously or with information.

Prayer for Priests

LORD, lift up your holy priests, deacons and religious. Grant them the graces they need to minister to your people. Keep them pure and strong in your love. Give them courage when things are difficult, and accompany them when they are lonely. Strengthen them in times of weakness. AMEN

Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intentions

Sun. May 3	4:00 p.m.	+Larry Beaulieu By Brad & Diane Merkosky
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Regular Collections

St. Brieux: (Includes Sunday Collection and Automatic Deposits)

April 19th 2026 - \$ 2,780.50

Mary, Mother of God:

April 19th 2026 - \$ 247.00

Thank you!

Sunday, April 26 - 9: 00 am		(If you are unable to do your ministry, please find a replacement)
Ministries		
Altar	Denise Bortis	
Greeters & Gifts	Helen Pataueg & Mely Igo	
Lay Leader/Prayers of Faithful	Richard Coquet	
Lectors	Jackie Mark & Sebastiaan Cadano	
Communion - Bread & Cup	Ramona Assie, Marthe Rohel-Coquet, Celine Kleiboer, Terry Valmont	
Children's Liturgy	Rochelle Mansiere	
Counters	Andre Assie, David Rheaume, Richard Coquet	
Altar Servers	Maria, Sebastiaan, Vince	
Vocation Cross	Dan & Darlyn Hunt	

Dear Padre,

Should Christians avoid practicing qi gong or tai chi? Or even meditation in which you empty your mind? Thank you.

This is one of those questions that has been debated for a long time. Social media offers many so-called experts with vastly different opinions. It can be very confusing, particularly if you are looking for a black-and-white answer, a yes or a no.

The pope who provides us with the most helpful direction to answer this question is Pope Benedict XVI. He did not forbid Eastern spiritual practices entirely but warned against their integration into Christian life without proper discernment. His perspective was rooted in a theological understanding that Christian spirituality is a unique path focused on a relationship with Christ. He emphasized that our Catholic spiritual tradition is distinct from the goals and methods of non-Christian traditions. He believed the practice of such non-Christian traditions, without preparation and without awareness of the challenge they present, could lead to spiritual error if not approached with caution and discernment.

So, the answer is nuanced. If you are using the practice as a spiritual practice, you should proceed with the utmost caution. If, on the other hand, you are using these practices for the more common physical or psychological—not spiritual—reasons, then it is permissible. ●



VLADA KARPOVICH / PEXELS

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
April 27	April 28	April 29	April 30	May 1	May 2	May 3
<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>
Acts 11:1–18 Jn 10:11–18	Acts 11:19–26 Jn 10:22–30	Acts 12:24–13:5a Jn 12:44–50	Acts 13:13–25 Jn 13:16–20	Acts 13:26–33 Jn 14:1–6	Acts 13:44–52 Jn 14:7–14	Acts 6:1–7 1 Pt 2:4–9 Jn 14:1–12



MARCO IACOBUCCI/SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Our faith is authentic when it embraces our whole life, when it becomes a criterion for our decisions, when it makes us women and men committed to doing what is right and who take risks out of love, even as Jesus did.... Jesus is the true measure of our faith; he is the gate through which we must pass in order to be saved.

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 24, 2025

Vocation Corner: April 26th - Fourth Sunday of Easter

A Vocation View: This is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. "The harvest is great, but the labourers are few. Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send more labourers into the Harvest."

Prayer: For an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst, we pray to the Lord.

Action: OVER THE CENTURIES, the Church has exhorted the faithful to do everything they can for the priests who trace their priestly ancestry to Christ's ordination of the apostles at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday night. Catholics are to pray for priests. They are to make sacrifices for priests. They should have Masses said for priests. They should encourage priests to remain faithful to their high vocation and do everything in their power to ensure the sanctity of priests. *Fr. John A. Hardon, S.J.* - www.therealpresence.org

Stewardship: April 26th – Fourth Sunday of Easter

"And Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...'" ACTS 2:38

The word "repent" means to turn from sin - to change our thoughts, words and actions. Change that is permanent comes from within – a transformation or conversion of heart. This requires prayer, discipline and perseverance. Change is hard. The first step is recognizing that we are broken and that we need God's help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.

**VBS Early registration is this week
– April 30th**

\$55.00/child if registered by April 30th.
\$65.00/child after this date.

Please get in your registration forms asap!



COFFEE SUNDAY
MAY 3RD



Important Notice: (For those who purchase items from the Co-op for the St Brioux Parish)

It is important to take invoices/till receipts at the time of purchase as the Co-op will no longer provide them with the monthly statement. When you purchase items from the Co-op, please sign the invoices/till receipts and turn them in to Janet – they can be slipped under the office door. **If the invoices/till receipts are not signed and handed in, they will not be paid.**



Christmas markets River Cruise with Monsignor Maurice Fiolleau December 6 – 14, 2027

Experience the magic of Europe in Advent! Join Monsignor Maurice on a festive river cruise visiting some of the most beloved Christmas markets in **Germany and Austria**, visiting the storybook towns and historic markets of Wurzburg, Rothenburg, Nuremberg, Regensburg, Passau, the Wachau Valley, Melk Abbey, Dürnstein, and ending in beautiful Vienna. Each one unique, each one unforgettable. Optional extension to Prague, in **Czech Republic**, one of Europe's most magical cities during Advent. Your tour includes **7 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 7 dinners** offering a wonderful blend of culture, cuisine, and Christmas cheer.

Tour Presentation Night: *Wednesday May 13, at 7:00 p.m.*

St. Michael parish in Prince Albert.

Presented with Collette Vacations.

If you've ever dreamed of experiencing Europe during Advent, this is your moment. Come discover why Europe's Christmas markets are truly unforgettable!

