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**FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER - YR B**

**24TH & 25TH APRIL, 2021**

### **WEARING OF MASKS FOR MASS**

In consideration of your safety and the safety of others, it is strongly recommended that you wear a mask during all Masses.

We understand the inconvenience that masks may pose, but the health of our parishioners and the wider community is our highest concern.

We sincerely thank you for understanding, and for playing your part in keeping our community safe.

### **UPDATES TO WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WEEKEND MASSES HAVE NOW REVERTED  
BACK TO PRE COVID-19 TIMES:**

**SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM  
& SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9.30AM**

**(5PM & 8.30AM MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED)**

ALL RELIGIOUS SERVICES HELD AT PLACES OF WORSHIP ADHERE TO THE  
2 SQUARE METRE RULE AND AS SUCH WE HAVE A LIMIT OF 120 PEOPLE.

Online Masses are still available so if you are feeling unwell  
or you are advised not to attend Mass.

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

**TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS AT 6PM (NO ADORATION)**

**THURSDAY AT 9.10AM**

**FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE AT 9.10AM**

*You are welcome to attend any of these Masses without a  
phone call or email invitation.*

**\*\*\*PLEASE USE THE QR CODE TO SIGN IN**

### **RECONCILIATION BY APPOINTMENT**

Please contact Fr Chris on his mobile 0415 505 594 to make an appointment.

**DUE TO COVID-19, THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS  
PER MASS IN OUR PARISH CHURCH IS**

**150**

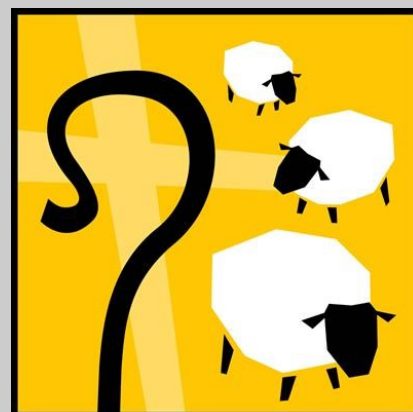
**PLEASE PRACTISE SOCIAL DISTANCING**



**BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS.**

As per government regulations, please observe the 2 square metre rule.

*Please note that hand sanitiser is available at the Church entrances.*



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### **SCHOOLS OF THE PARISH:**

Corpus Christi Primary – ph 4726 2200  
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(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

# Parish News

**If you receive an email from Fr Chris please check the email address as there have been some instances of spam emails with his name attached. If you have any queries please contact Fr Chris on 0415 505 594.**

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## Thank You

Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2021.

**Our parish of Corpus Christi generously donated \$2704.60.**

If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) to make your donation online. Through your generosity you will be empowering the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

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## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Enquiry Night

A meeting for those who are interested in the Journey of Faith to become Catholic will take place on

**WEDNESDAY 5TH MAY AT 7PM IN THE CHURCH.**

If you or any adult you know is interested in

- \* Baptism
  - \* Eucharist & Confirmation
  - \* Knowing more about the process of adult initiation
- you are welcome to attend this meeting.

Please contact the parish office for more information.

## Junior Altar Server Training

If any young person is interested in becoming an Altar Server please place your name and your parents name and contact phone number on the list in the foyer.

You'll need to have made your First Communion and be in Year 4 or older.

**The Corpus Christi Youth Band is rostered on for the 4th Saturday of each month at the 6pm Mass.**



If you can sing or play an instrument and you are between 13-23 we would love for you to join the band.

Please contact Rebecca Hocking on 0457 060 331 or Denise Caffrey on 0409 558 553 to find out more.

## Corpus Christi Website & Facebook

Please visit our website or Facebook page for up to date Parish and diocesan news.

### Website:

[www.corpuschristi.org.au](http://www.corpuschristi.org.au)

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## Parish Ministries...

If at any time a member of the parish is seeking some involvement in parish ministries, you are warmly encouraged to contact the Parish Office.

## First Communion and Confirmation Photos

There are still First Communion and Confirmation photos from last year (2020) that have not been collected. If your child received either of these sacraments last year and you haven't yet done so, please pick up the photos from the Parish Office during office hours.

## 'Young in Spirit' Seniors Group...



Our seniors group meets on the last Friday morning of each month after Communion Service.

Come along, share some stories and enjoy the company. Please bring a small plate of food to share for morning tea.

New members are welcome!!!

If you would like some more information, please contact the Parish Office.

## Advertising in The Net...

Are you interested in advertising your business in The Net??? Or know anyone who might be??? Ads run for 12 months or there is the opportunity to run an ad on a monthly or three monthly basis. For more details, contact Marie at the Parish Office during office hours.

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## The Parish Pastoral Council invites parishioners to submit suggestions in any of the following ways:

- Person to person with a Parish Pastoral Council Member
- Email to [corpuschristipcc@gmail.com](mailto:corpuschristipcc@gmail.com), a direct email address to the Secretary of the Parish Pastoral Council
- Letter mailed or hand delivered addressed to:  
The Secretary, Parish Pastoral Council  
Corpus Christi Parish  
PO Box 21, Cranebrook NSW 2749

Suggestion Box, located in the foyer of the Church.

*Please remember to include your name and contact number in case we need to contact you for any clarification or update.*

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## Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

### Recently Deceased:

John Lowery (23/04 – father of Mary Anne Lowery), Robyn Toose (06/04), Bishop Bede Heather, Sam Vassallo

### Mass Intentions:

Maria Aquilina, Josephine Portelli, Margaret & James Vella

### Anniversaries:

Mario Vella (16/03/06)

### And for those who are sick:

Kevin & Mary O'Connor, Pauline Rugg



# The Living Word

Fourth Sunday of Easter

25th April 2021

## First Reading

Acts 4:8-12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*This is the only name by which we can be saved.*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R. v.22

*(R.) The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.*

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men:

it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. *(R.)*

I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.  
The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. *(R.)*

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;

I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end. *(R.)*

## Second Reading

1 Jn 3:1-2

A reading from the first letter of St John

*We shall see God as he is.*

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

## Gospel Acclamation

Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

## Gospel

Jn 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.*

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one

shepherd.

The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

## Ode of Remembrance

They went with songs to the battle, they were young.

Straight of limb, true of eyes, steady and aglow.

They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,

They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall grow not old, as we who are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

We will remember them.



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## REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

### The Voice

In the regions where Jesus was an itinerant preacher, three or four flocks could be kept in a communal sheep-fold for safety. In the morning, the shepherds would come and, as each called out, the sheep attuned to the sound of his voice would follow to life-giving pasture.

We are surrounded by hundreds of voices clamouring for our attention. We are bombarded by messages, social media incessantly chattering. Jesus invites us to get attuned to *his* voice, listening for the distinctive sound of it so that, even if it is faintly heard in a cacophony, we immediately turn toward it so that we can follow it in a life-giving direction.

How do we get attuned to that voice? By reading the gospels. A Chinese student once told me that the Chinese character for gospel is 'happy sounds'. I like the plural. Jesus' gospel voice is not a monotone but a polyphony sounding in different ways in different situations.

As disciples, we have to get onto the same wavelength as that voice so that we can echo it in our own lives. We become reverberations of Christ's voice in many different situations, helping him to lead others to life-giving pastures.

We could take a moment to pray for better listening so that we might recognise the gospel voice of Jesus Christ, especially at the moment of death. Then we may hear the one voice we need and long for: 'Today you will be with me in paradise.'

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## REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

This Sunday is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Two major themes emerge from the readings: an image of the one who saves; and the power of salvation itself. The one who saves is not a mighty warrior who comes in military array. In fact, he is the one who was rejected, who was hunted down, humiliated, tortured and hung naked on a tree, there to die in shame. The one who saves is the cornerstone of the building, holding it together, forming a firm foundation so that the structure will not collapse. The one who saves is a lowly shepherd, entrusted with sheep, not with the affairs of state. The one who saves is an unlikely saviour. This characterisation should give us pause. Is it possible that we have been looking for a saviour in the wrong places?

God's saving power flows from steadfast covenant love. It broke open the world in the death and resurrection of Jesus and it overflows as healing grace. The saving power in the name of Jesus, a name that itself means 'saviour' (cf. Matt 1:21), is for all people, even for those sheep who do not yet belong to this fold. Furthermore, it is for all time; God's mercy endures forever. Through our baptism we can bring the saving grace of God to a world in desperate need of healing. We can do this in our families, in our local communities, in the workplace, in so many situations of our lives.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April



### Universal intention - Fundamental rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.



## REFLECTION FOR ADULTS AND ADOLESCENTS

### Questions for Adolescents

- \* What message does the image of Jesus, the good shepherd, hold for you?
- \* What contemporary image might convey the same message as the image of the good shepherd?
- \* What interpretation can be applied to the line, 'there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold'?
- \* Have you ever had an experience of being cared for by someone you could call 'a shepherd'?
- \* Who do you need to 'shepherd'?

### Questions for Adults

- \* How does the image of the good shepherd speak to your life and experience?
- \* Have you ever seen yourself as needing to be the good shepherd for someone else?
- \* Are there times you have acted more like the 'hired man' – fleeing in the face of threat or difficulty?
- \* How might this image be misinterpreted?

***This is an opportunity for parents to discuss today's Gospel with your children. The following questions and worksheet are a beginning point to assist with the discussion.***

- \* Can you think of some people who have the job of protecting or looking after people?
- \* What would they need to be like or need to know to do their jobs well?
- \* Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd who cares for his sheep.
- \* Who are the sheep Jesus cares for?
- \* We are his flock. How can we be a good flock?
- \* We give thanks for God's love and care for us and pray that we can show God's love to others.



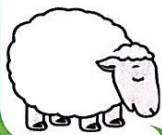
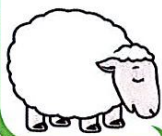
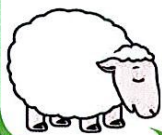
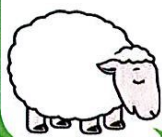





# Jesus is the good shepherd

4th Sunday of Easter, Year B

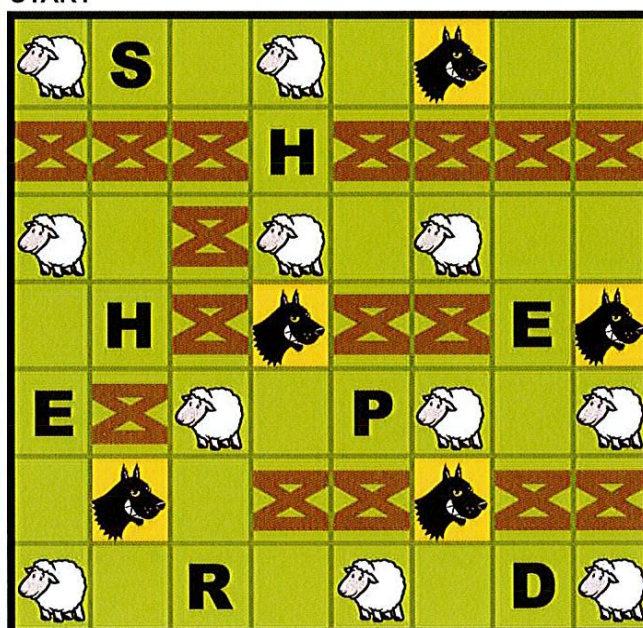


As followers of Jesus we are never alone; Jesus is always there to help us and take care of us. What are some of the ways that the Good Shepherd takes care of his sheep?



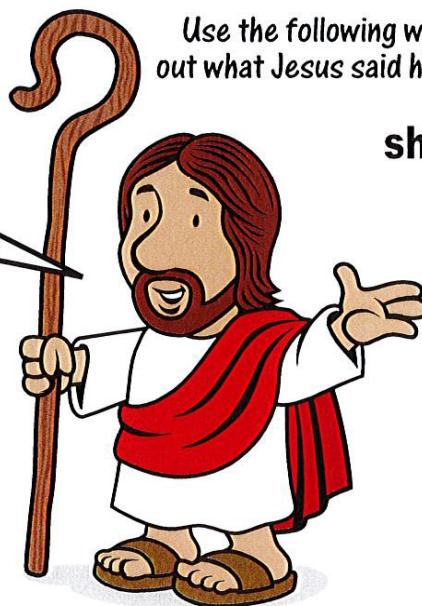
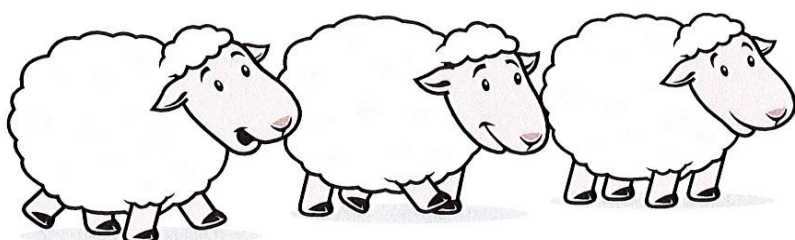
Help gather all the sheep  by connecting them together using only straight lines - including diagonal lines. But do not pass through fences  or wolves . Complete the word below by adding each letter as your connecting line passes through it.

START



FINISH

I am the \_\_\_\_\_.  
I know my own \_\_\_\_\_ and they  
\_\_\_\_\_ me, just as the \_\_\_\_\_  
knows me and I know the Father.  
I lay down my \_\_\_\_\_ for my sheep.



Use the following words to find out what Jesus said his disciples.

shepherd

Father

life

good

sheep

know


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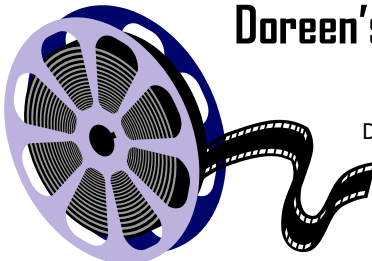
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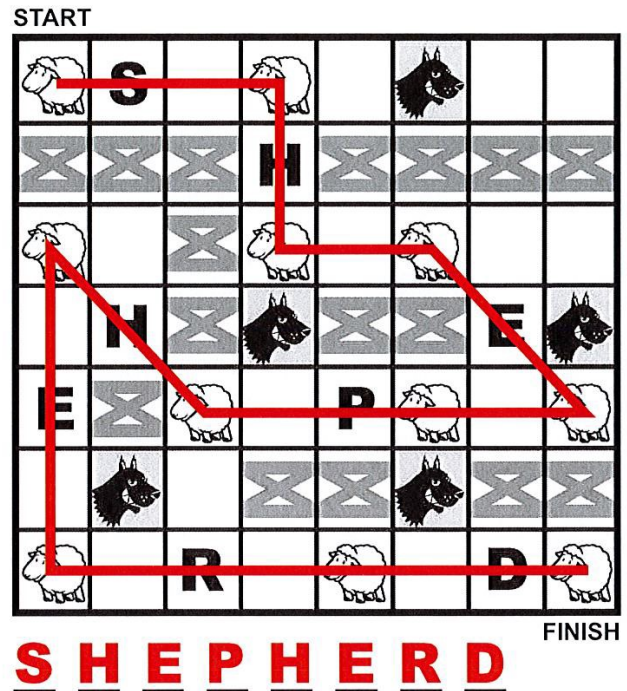
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# Solutions

4th Sunday of Easter, Year B



I am the **good shepherd**.  
 I know my own **sheep** and they  
**know** me, just as the **Father**  
 knows me and I know the Father.  
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