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Fourth Sunday of Easter - A



INTRODUCTION:

We gather in joy to celebrate Christ, the Good Shepherd, who calls us by name, leads us to life, and gathers us into one flock. Trusting His care and mercy, let us open our hearts and worship with faith.

READINGS:

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm: Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Trusting our Good Shepherd, who knows our needs and guides us always, let us pray confidently.

Our response is: **Good shepherd, hear our prayer.**

- For the Holy Father, Bishops, Clergy, Religious and the Lay Faithful; that we may faithfully celebrate Christ's truth, mercy, and abundant life, we pray to the Lord.
- For world leaders, that they may govern with justice, compassion, and peace for all people, especially the poor and the vulnerable, we pray to the Lord.
- For our parish community, that we may hear the voice of the Good Shepherd and follow Him faithfully each day, we pray to the Lord.
- For those suffering fear, rejection or illness, that Christ may comfort them with healing and peace, we pray to the Lord.
- For vocations to priesthood and religious life, that many may generously follow Christ's call with joy, we pray to the Lord.
- For our personal needs, that our Good Shepherd may be generous in His provision ... (pause for few seconds) ... we pray to the Lord.

Celebrant: Good Shepherd, hear the prayers of Your flock and lead us always in paths of peace and salvation, where You live forever and ever. Amen.

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