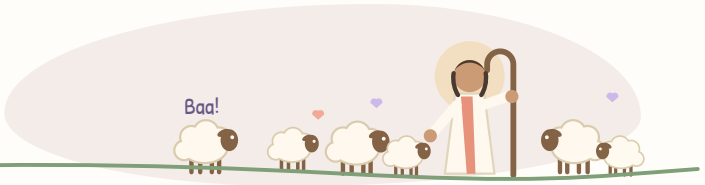
4th Sunday of Easter

My Sunday Mass Page

Sunday, 18 April 2027 · John 10:11–18

Name _____



1 Today's Gospel

I Am the Good Shepherd

Jesus told the people, "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep." He explained that a **hired man**, who is only paid to mind the sheep, does not really care about them. When he sees a **wolf** coming, he runs away and leaves the sheep alone. A true shepherd stays with his flock.

Jesus said, "I know my own and my own know me." He has other sheep too, and He will lead them so that there will be **one flock** and one shepherd. No one takes His life from Him. He gives it freely, and He has the power to take it up again.

Jesus gave His life for us on the cross, and then He **rose again**. He knows each of us, and we **listen to His voice** when we pray, read the Bible and come to Mass.

Big idea! Jesus is the **Good Shepherd** who gave His life for us and rose again. He knows us, and we **listen to His voice**.

Listen at Mass: In the Psalm we sing *"The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone."* In the second reading, Saint John says we are *God's children*!

Go deeper: Read Psalm 23, The Lord is my shepherd, and count the ways God cares for His sheep. The Catechism calls Jesus the Good Shepherd who gave His life for His sheep (CCC 754).

2 Think It Through

Answer in a sentence or two.

1. How is the good shepherd different from the hired man?

2. What did Jesus mean when He said He lays down His life for His sheep?

3. When and where can you listen for Jesus' voice this week?

3 My Prayer

Write a prayer thanking Jesus, your Good Shepherd, or asking Him to look after someone who feels lost or alone.

Dear Lord Jesus,

4 My Shepherd's Flock

Draw Jesus the Good Shepherd leading His flock. On some of the sheep, write the names of people you want Him to look after.

Ideas: Jesus with His crook · a little lamb in His arms · your family as sheep · the wolf running away

"I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me." **John 10:14**