

Fourth Sunday of Easter, 3rd May, 2020



The Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Today's Gospel, according to John, tells us that Jesus cares for us as a good shepherd cares for his sheep.

Readings.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14A, 36-41. Repent and be baptised

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6. The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20B-25. By His wounds you have been healed.

Gospel: John 1:1-10. I am the gate, whoever enters through me will be saved.

Prayers of the Faithful.

Lord, we pray for all those suffering from Covid-19. We think of them and their families at this time.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us

Lord, we pray for all the healthcare workers who care for the sick and dying. Please keep them safe as they risk their lives as they care for others.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us

Lord, we pray for all those in authority who have to make plans to protect our people from this disease.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us

Lord, we pray for those whose livelihood is affected by this crisis.

Lord, hear us. Response- Lord, graciously hear us.

Recently Deceased.

Please pray for the souls of:

Michael Bell, Castlegarde and Knocknagoshel. Michael was laid to rest in Knocknagoshel Cemetery on Tuesday, 21st April.

Michael McKenna, St. Michael's Terrace. Michael went to his eternal reward on Wednesday, 22nd April and was laid to rest in Towerhill Cemetery on Thursday 23rd April.

Mai Smyth, Farnane. Mai went to her eternal reward on Tuesday, 28th April and was laid to rest in Ballinure Cemetery on Friday, 1st May on her 96th birthday.

Eternal rest grant onto them O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace Amen.

Fr. Browne will remember all these people in his daily private Mass at his residence.

The Lord's my Shepherd.

1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.
2. My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.
3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff my comfort still.
4. My table Thou hast furnished me
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.
5. Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forevermore,
My dwelling place shall be.

