

# **PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH**

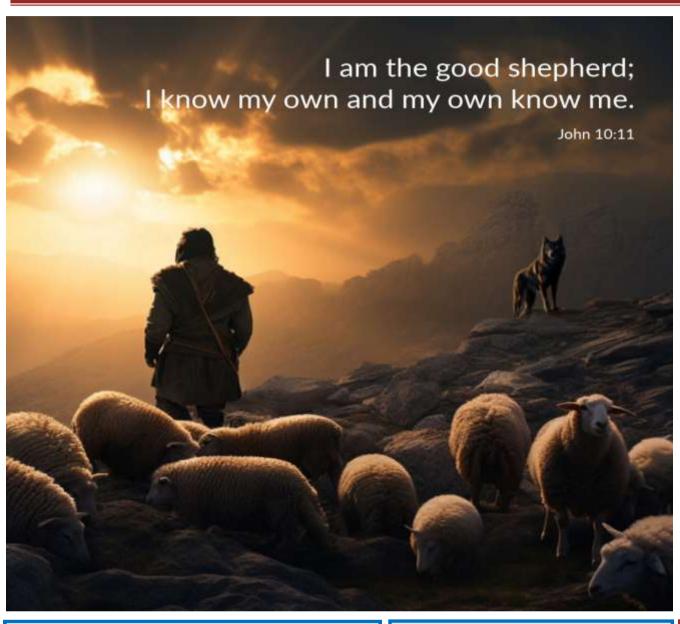
#### **SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR**

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers

**CELEBRATING YEAR OF PRAYER** 





The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
Beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
With your rod and your staff
that give me courage.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

---Psalm 23

We welcome to Pymble Parish the newest members of our community

Ruby, Torres & Austin

who will baptised this weekend at our Parish.

# POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

# For the role of women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

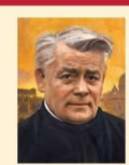


# Baptisms at Pymble Parish



For enquiries please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au
Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

Wednesday, 15 May 2024 at 7:30pm Sacred Heart Church Bookings are essential A warm welcome to all our Parishioners who are celebrating the Eucharist with us this weekend.



### Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the means your love inspires. You filled him with universal apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence, with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you for my special needs (include your personal intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

www.sds.org.au

#### **Parish Team**

#### Pastoral care

Salvatorian Fathers

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Ireneusz Czech SDS **Email:** fr.irek@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Youtube: youtube.com/@IreneuszCzech



Youtube QR code:

#### **Parish Staff**

Parish Secretary: Daniela Foote

Email: daniela@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

**Assistant Secretary:** Claudia Chen

**Email:** claudia@pymblecatholicparish.org.au **Sacramental Coordinator:** Rebecca Lloyd-Jones **Email:** rebecca@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

CCD Coordinator: Michele Brack

Email: michele@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

#### **Parish Mass Times**

#### **Sacred Heart**

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

#### Weekdays:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday after morning Mass

#### Weekend:

Sunday: 9:30am and 6:00pm

#### **Reconciliation:**

Friday 8:45am

Sunday 5:30pm

#### **Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**

64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

#### Weekend:

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday: 8:00 am (Quiet Mass)

#### Reconciliation:

Saturdays 9.30 am

#### **Contact details**

**Address:** 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble, NSW 2073 **Postal address:** PO BOX 231 Turramurra NSW 2074

**Telephone:** (02) 9144 2702

Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au
Website: www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4pm &

Friday 8.30am to 1pm

For information about Weddings please contact Daniela in the Parish Office.

For information about the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation,
Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact
Rebecca at rebecca@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

# PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

### SACRED HEART

**Principal:** Kerry Paxton **Telephone:** (02) 7256 2142

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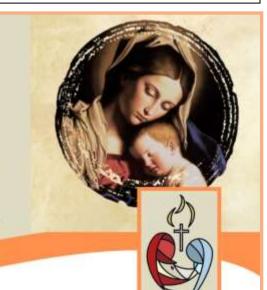
## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

**Principal:** Jodi Jefferson **Telephone:** (02) 7256 2101

www.olpsdbb.catholic.edu.au

# LECTIO: MARY

The Bible and the Mother of God With Dr Brant Pitre



You are invited to join our eight part **Mary** series based on the Lectio program by Dr Brant Pitre.

INVITATION

#### TOPICS

The Mary program topics include:

- The New Eve
- The New Ark
   Mother of the Messiah
- The Queen Mother
- The Perpetual Virgin
- Mother of Sorrows
   The New Rachel
   Question & Answer
- FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:



(02) 9144 2702

#### CONTEXT

Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? We examine what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary.

#### **JOIN IN**

Please join in with this opportunity to learn, share your thoughts and to get to know others in our Parish community.

7pm alternate Tuesday evenings Sacred Heart Church Pymble Next event: 30 April 2024

#### DR BRANT PITRE

Dr Brant Pitre is Distinguished Research Professor of Scripture at the Augustine Institute, Graduate School of Theology.



PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH 2 RICHARD PORTER WAY PYMBLE

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO LEAD AND ASSIST**

Please consider helping to share the Gospel

We are looking for additional leaders to assist with Children's Liturgy at Sacred Heart Church. We offer Children's Liturgy at the Sunday 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart on the first and third Sundays of each month during school terms. Commitment to lead or assist would be once or twice a term.

If you have any questions or would like to join our team, please contact the Parish Office on 9144 2702.



#### First & Second Collections

The **First Collection** goes to the upkeep of the clergy, Salvatorian Regional Office and the Broken Bay Diocese sustentation funds.

The **Second Collection** goes towards maintaining our Churches and the upkeep of the Parish, supporting the ministries of our Parish (including our Sacramental programs and Catechist work), helping us continue our good works and loving outreach.



We are so grateful for your ongoing support.

#### WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, 21 April

World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mass at OLPS (Quiet Mass) 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Tuesday, 23 April

St George, martyr (Optional)

St Adalbert, bishop, martyr (Optional)
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart7:30am Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, 24 April

St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest, martyr

(Optional)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Thursday, 25 April

Anzac Day

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

6:00pm Pymble Men's Fellowship Meeting

Friday, 26 April

St Mark, evangelist (Feast)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart with Adoration and Litany to

the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, 27 April St Louis Grignon de Montfort, priest

(Optional)

9:00am Mass at OLPS with morning

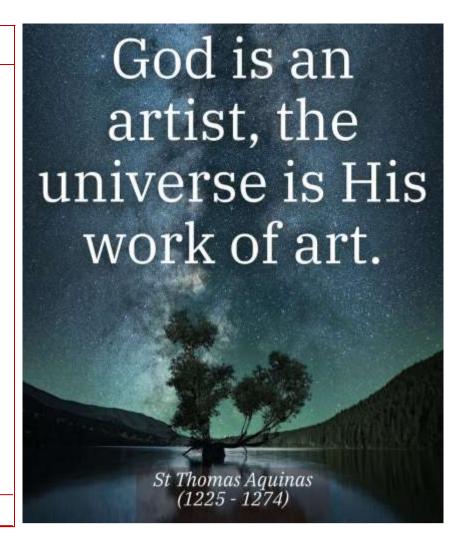
prayer (Breviary)

5:00pm Mass at OLPS

Sunday, 28 April Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mass at OLPS (Quiet Mass) 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses



# **Parish Prayer Zone**

Praying for others gets our focus off ourselves and onto the needs of those around us. As we "carry each other's burdens," we "will fulfil the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). Praying for each other makes us stronger and helps us to grow our faith and Christian love.

#### **Recently Deceased:**

Geoff Riley, Greg Tysoe, Nancy Dal Cin, Karenne Crow, Victor Ho, Ursula Middleton, Michael Ryan, Monica Wheeler, Lucy Sibyl Orenstein, Elizabeth George, Phuong Dung Le, David Gardener, Sarinder Tamana, Frieda Nassar, Bruce Fisher

#### **Death Anniversaries:**

Paul Augustus Mooney, Angus Ross, Santa Celio, Owen Thomas, Janine Parker, Lucia Sudiro, Judy Carson, Lilian Castillo, Judy, Carson, Owen Thomas, Edith & Harold Burford, Geoff & Dorothy Thomas, Luciano Dumrique, Win & Bill Colman, Luciano Dumrique

#### Prayers for the sick:

Pamela Seaman, Joseph Hendryjanto, Margaret Browne, Danny Ung

#### Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray that during this Season of Easter, we may remember to give out the grace and forgiveness that you have freely given us. Amen.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday. Remember that due to privacy policy, names of the sick can only be put on the bulletin with permission of the immediate family. This list will be updated every month and we would appreciate if we are advised of any updates. Thank you.

# A GIFT IN YOUR WILL— YOUR LEGACY



After providing for family members in your Will, have you ever considered leaving a Gift directly to your local Parish? This is called a Legacy, Bequest of Gift in Will.

Over the years, many people who have left a special connection to their Faith have left part of their estate to the Parish. Like a gift to a charity. a gift in your Will to the Church ensures other members of our community receive the spiritual care and guidance that has been so important to you and your family.

#### **YOUR PARISH**

Many parishes are in need of funding to restore buildings, improve facilities and expand on services for the community. The pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue for our children, our grandchildren and future generations of Catholics.

If you would like more information on Gifts in Wills, please contact Fr. Ireneusz. Email: Fr.ireneusz@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

#### **Parish Safeguarding**

Dear Parishioners,

We take our responsibility to safeguard the vulnerable, whether they be children, the young, the elderly or the disabled very seriously. We work to ensure that no one is taken advantage of within our Parish.

If you have any concern about the treatment of a child, young person or anyone within our parish environment, please approach myself directly or Daniela Foote within the parish office on 02 9144 2702.



Alternatively, you may wish to contact Ana Cosi, Safeguarding Manager (Chancery & Churches) on 02 8379 1651.

Yours in Christ, Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS





Catholic Care

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

AGED CARE VOLUNTEER VISITORS SCHEME

www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/volunteer

#### WANT TO JOIN OUR FRIENDSHIP PROGRAM?

CatholicCare are seeking volunteers for our Aged Care Volunteers Visitors Scheme (formerly known as the Community Visitors Scheme). As a volunteer you will visit seniors in a local aged care facility or in their own home and help improve their quality of life. Our volunteers have flexibility to choose a day and time that suits them, we just ask for a commitment of at least one hour per fortnight.

Affectionately referred to as CatholicCare's 'friendship program', you will be able to build new connections and positive relationships with someone who will greatly appreciate your company. Please call (02) 9481 2600 or visit <a href="www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/volunteer/">www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/volunteer/</a> for more information.

Please inform the Parish Office if you have recently changed your address, phone number or email. For Parishioners who give via credit card, please let us know if your credit card has expired or if you have changed your card. Thank you!

# Become a Catechist You are needed!

Contact for details: michele@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

### **Congratulations to Mona and Cass**

Last Saturday, 13 April, Mona and Cass Dias celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary! Congratulations on reaching this milestone! We thank you, Lord, for the love and commitment that have sustained them through the years. We pray, Lord, that you would grant them good health, joy, and longevity so that they may continue to be a shining example of love and commitment to all those around them.





Are you looking for ways to make a difference in the lives of our elderly community members? Horton House invites you to join two wonderful initiatives aimed at bringing companionship and spiritual nourishment to their residents.

- **1. Coffee Companion Opportunity:** A vibrant 95-year-old resident of Horton House, is seeking a compassionate individual to join her for a monthly coffee outing. Despite her slower pace, her sharp mind and warm personality make for delightful company. If you're interested in sharing a cup of coffee and conversation with this lady please contact the Parish Office.
- **2. Communion Volunteers Needed:** Are you able to spare some time to visit a few Catholic elderly residents at Horton House, Gordon and bring them Communion? We currently have a couple of parishioners who are visiting regularly, bringing Holy Communion and the Word of God to them on Sunday afternoons and would love to have a few more to join the team. With just a couple more, the commitment will only be once a month.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information and to volunteer. Thank you.

# **Blessings of Homes**

Dear Parishioners, following Easter, Fr Irek will be available to bless your homes. If you would like him to come to your place, please contact the parish office or directly speak to him after Mass, indicating your preferred day.





### First Reconciliation & First Eucharist 2024

## Registration is NOW OPEN: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1127092">https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1127092</a>?

**Reconciliation** (candidates must be aged 9 or older and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation)

Parent & Candidate Information Meeting: Wednesday 16 May at 6.30pm at Sacred Heart (combined with First Communion)

Two formation sessions parish-facilitated group or home-based parent driven group · Preparation Program:

1st - parish-facilitated group

Saturday 18 May (2pm & 4pm) or Sunday 19 May at 10.30am

2nd - parish-facilitated group

Saturday 1 June (2pm & 4pm) or Sunday 2 June at 10.30am

· Presentation Mass: Saturday 1 June or Sunday 2 June, at any mass, either church.

· NO Practice

· Service: Tuesday 4 June at 4pm & 5.15pm at Sacred Heart OR

Wednesday 5 June at 3.30pm & 4.15pm at OLPS



#### First Eucharist:

Parent & Candidate Information Meeting: Wednesday 16 May at 6.30pm Sacred Heart (combined with First Reconciliation)

Preparation Program: Two formation sessions parish-facilitated group or home-based parent driven group

1st - parish-facilitated group

Saturday 27 July (2pm & 4pm) or Sunday 28 July at 10.30am

2nd - parish-facilitated group

Saturday 3 August (2pm & 4pm) or Sunday 4 August at 10.30am

· Presentation Mass: Saturday 27 July or Sunday 28 July, at any mass, either church

9.30am Saturday at OLPS OR 8.30am Friday, 5.30pm Sunday at SH time prior to First Communion:

· Practice: Thursday 8 August at 4pm at SH OR Thursday 15 August at 3.3opm at OLPS Sunday 11 August at 11.30am at SH OR Sunday 18 August at 11.00am at OLPS · Service:

For more information please visit our website <a href="https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/pymble/sacraments/sacramental-program">https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/pymble/sacraments/sacramental-program</a> or contact the parish office at office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



· Go to confession at least one more

#### What is a Confirmation name?

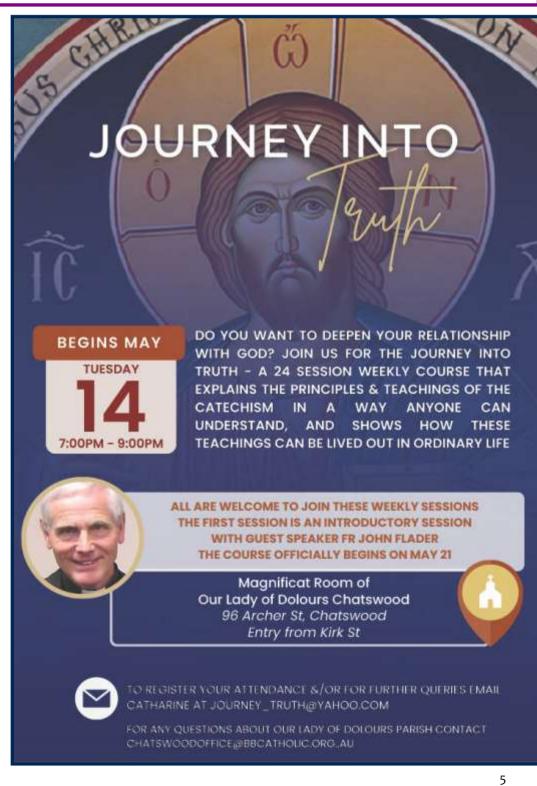
A Confirmation name is best thought of as a name that God – and only God – calls you by. It is not a name that other people call you by, like a baptismal name. Ideally, a Confirmation name should be the name of a Saint whom you know something about, or who inspires you, or whose virtues you want to imitate. It is the name of a saint who will accompany you through life. It is a reminder of the day of your Confirmation, when you were anointed with the oil of the Holy Spirit.

Please pray for these children, in the name of their selected saints below, as they prepare for their Confirmation.

#### **Confirmation names**

selected by our children

St. Alexandra, St. Alice, St. Aloysius, St. Antonia (St Anthony), St. Ava, St. Bernadette, St. Edmund, St. Elizabeth, St. James, St. Jessica, St. John, St. Lucy (Lucia), St. Luke, St. Madeleine, St. Maria, St. Mary Mackillop, St. Michael, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Cajetan, St. Cecilia, St. Christopher, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Joan of Arc, St. John the Apostle, St. Luigi, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, St. Mary Mackillop, St. Mary Mackillop of the Cross, St. Michael, St. Peter, St. Sebastian, St. Veronica, St. Victoria, St. Sebastian, St. Ann, St. Anne, St. Bede's, St. Catherine of Siena, St. Declan, St. Grace of Lerida, St. Lucy, St. Michael, St. Michael the Archangel, St. Patrick, St. Raphael the Archangel, St. Vitus, St. Adjutor, St. Albert the Great, St. Jude, Patron Saint of Lost Causes, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Teresa, St. Teresa of Avila, St. Thomas



**Entrance Antiphon** Psalm 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; made, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 4: 8-12

#### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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 the good shepherd is one who lays down his life crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by for his sheep. this name and by no other that this man is able | The hired man, since he is not the shepherd 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

#### (R.) The stone rejected by the builders has just as the Father knows me 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 3. 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** <u> 1 John 3: 1-2</u>

#### A reading from the letter of St John

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

but what we are to be in the future has 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 John 10: 14

Alleluia, alleluia! I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Gospel John 10: 11-18

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to

Jesus said:

'I am the good 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, 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

#### **Gospel Reflection**

my Father.'

**Meditation:** Do you know the peace and security of the Good Shepherd who watches over his own? The Old Testament often speaks Please scan the QR Code of God as shepherd of his people, Israel. The to watch Father Irek's Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want (Psalm 23:1). Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock! (Psalm 80:1) We are his Think of the love that the Father has lavished on people, and the sheep of his pasture (Psalm 100:3). The Messiah is also pictured as the shepherd of God's people: He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will gather the lambs in his arms (Isaiah 40:11). Jesus says he is the Good Shepherd who will risk his life to seek out and save the stray sheep (Matthew 18:12, Luke 15:4). He is the Shepherd and Guardian of our souls (1 Peter 2:25).

#### Jesus is the Good Shepherd and Guardian of our souls

Jesus made three promises to his followers. He promised them everlasting life. If they accept him and follow him, they will have the life of God in them. Jesus also promised them a life that would know no end. Death would not be the end but the beginning; they would know the glory of indestructible life. Jesus promised a life that was secure. Jesus said that nothing would snatch them out of his hand, not even sorrow and death, since he is everlasting life itself. Our lives are safe in his hands.

#### Do you listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd who calls you to himself?

The words which Jesus spoke upset many of the Jewish leaders. How could he speak with the same authority which God spoke and claim to be equal with God? He must either be insane or divine. Unfortunately some thought he was mad even though he cured a man who was blind from birth. We are faced with the same choice. Either Jesus is who he claims to be - the Son of God and Saviour of the world - or the world's greatest deluder! We cannot be indifferent to his claim. For those who accept him as Lord and Saviour he offers the peace and security of unending life and joy with God. Do you know the peace and security of a life fully submitted to Christ?

Do you listen attentively to the voice of the Good Shepherd and obey his word?

Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd who keeps watch over our lives. May I be ever attentive to your voice and submit fully to your wise rule for my life. Draw me near to you that I may always find peace and joy in your

presence.

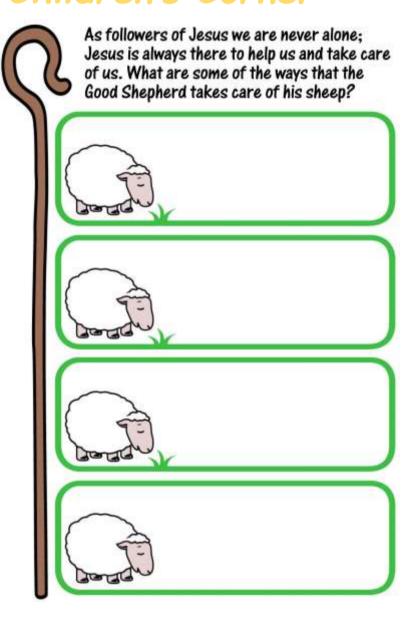
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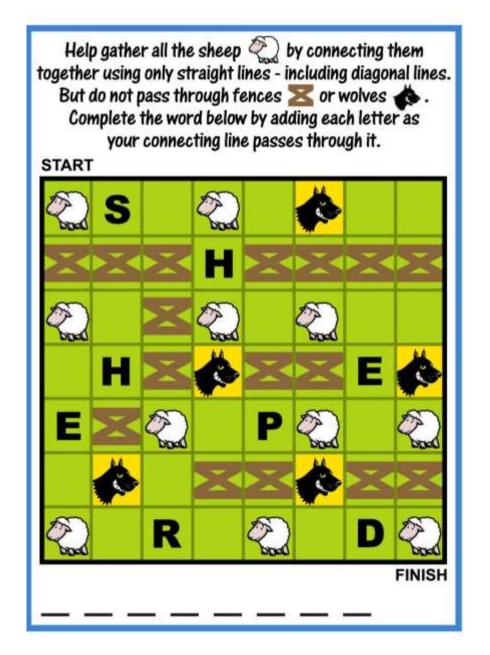
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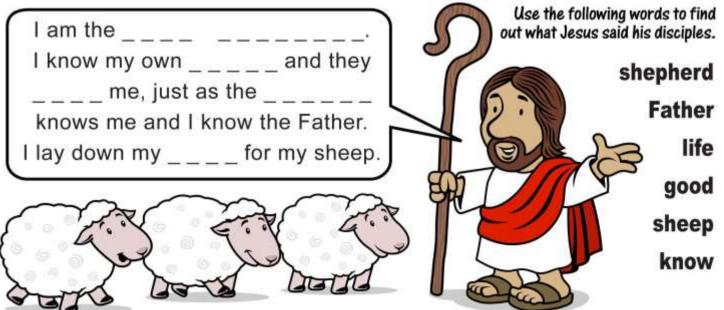


Pymble Parish Roster 27/28 April 2024		
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	J Walton	T McLeod
Altar Servers	M & G Heng J Ulevik	L & W Ng
Readers	B Allen	Volunteer needed
Altar Society	27 April:	
Counters	28 April: C Gwynn / J Challita	
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am
Acolytes	J Pease	C De Souza
Altar Servers	E & Z Victor	D'Silva Family
Readers	B Nairn	A Leung
Altar Cloth	27 April: N Simpkins	

# Children's Corner









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Cet Why We're Catholic - the ONE book you can give ANYONE! LEARN MORE

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