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The Good Shepherd's promise



21 April 2024 4th Sunday Easter Year B

Today's readings highlight how knowing Christ can change people. The first reading shows how the Resurrection and the presence of the Holy Spirit transformed Peter. Now, he heals as Jesus did and preaches as Jesus preached. In Peter, we see living proof of what is further explained in the second reading. Through faith in Christ, we come to participate in the relationship of love and communion that the Son has with the Father: "we are God's children now."

Knowing the Father in this way as children of God gives us access to a whole new way of living, and means being transformed into becoming more and more like him. We come to know and participate in God's way of being. When Peter heals and preaches, he does so because Jesus lives in him, transforming Peter in his own likeness. Like Peter, we live as co-heirs, through Jesus, to the promises of God.

What belongs to Jesus as the Son, namely his capacity to know the Father's heart and to do the Father's will, is also promised to us. Becoming like God does not mean that we lose our individuality or freedom. Instead, we become more our true ourselves, each of us according to the grace and the gifts we have been given.

This is the life for which God created us: to be persons, different and diverse, each uniquely gifted, and, through love, bound together with Jesus, gathered together into one flock with one shepherd.

Like a good shepherd, Jesus has faced and overcome the mortal danger posed to his flock by the power of sin and death, against which they have no other escape. In laying down his life for his sheep, he proves that he is the true guardian, protector and carer of his flock, the Good Shepherd.

Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus claims power for himself and for all who love him over whatever impediments or difficulties befall us on our journey to the fullness of life and union with God. He assures us: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep . . . I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again." Jesus' power to take his life back up again is the power that restores us to new life and relationship with God.

Jesus opens up for humanity a whole new way of living. Whatever the hatreds, conflicts and divisions that arise between people, Jesus invites us into one fold, the flock of the Good Shepherd. He calls us to lives of faith, hope and love, under his protection and in relationship with him as the Good Shepherd.

There is no other power or god or ideology in the world that can promise this same hope for the human race that the Good Shepherd promises. Let us follow him.

Joseph Doyle

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**Fourth Sunday of Easter
Year B—April 21, 2024**

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Are you new to our lovely South West and Parish? Please write your details in our *New Parishioners Book* in the foyer. We can then be in touch to arrange a time convenient to you to reach out with Parish information and a friendly welcome.

BAPTISMAL INFORMATION

For more information please contact the parish office. Our phone number for the parish office is **9797 1886**. However, the quickest way is to contact us by email so that the required forms and information can be forwarded straight back to you **admin@leschenaultcatholicparish.org.au**. The office is usually attended on a Thursday, but email is usually the best contact

COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSE-BOUND

Anyone in the parish who cannot attend Mass due to illness or being house bound is welcome to contact **Anne Stanaway** who can arrange for a Special Minister to call. Anne is available on **0400 492 592**.

**SAFEGUARDING
OFFICERS**

Our parish safeguarding officers are Cath Di-Bona; Anna Stevens and Laurie Sutherland

Call 0431 502 560



to discuss any safety concerns or incidents.



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Please leave a message on 1300 794 054 and a member of the team will be in contact.

**Next Meeting:
Wed 24 April at 5.30pm
New Members Welcome**

**PREGNANCY ADVICE
BUNBURY**



**PREGNANCY
ASSISTANCE**

Support for any pregnancy
Call 97924759



PARISH

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**LESCHENAULT CATHOLIC
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Noongar people. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this region.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the family of Christ the Living Vine, Inspired by the Holy Spirit, create a community of Christian love by reaching out to meet the needs of all in our Parish and beyond in a spirit of love, acceptance and compassion.

Keep Us In Your Prayers

Recently Deceased:

Remembrances:

Prayers for the Sick of the Parish: Delores Fisher; Pat McKenna; Myrna Vandeleur; Ray Green; Rosemary Spurgeon; Robin Samuels; Sheila Tuppen and Lennie Hynes.

Mass & Devotions

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm. Sunday 8:30am

Weekday Masses: Tuesday with Fr Pat; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.00am

Bethanie: Liturgy of the Word: First Thursday of each month at 11.00am
Mass: Third Thursday of each month at 11.00am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5-5.45pm or by arrangement

GREETERS ROSTER

The new Greeter's Roster is about to be published, and if you are NOT a Greeter and would like to be included there are Slips in the foyer for you to fill in.

If you are a Greeter and would like to change something you can also use the Slips to make any changes. Thank you—VAL

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

An invitation for any interested ladies in the parish to join us.

No obligation, please just come along and learn what our ministry is about.

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday each month and usually last for 90 mins followed by afternoon tea.

CWLWA have recently set up a new website <https://catholicwomensleaguewa.com.au/> and encourage interested ladies to view.

We look forward to meeting with some new members.

Fran Mulcahy
President Leschenault branch

Look

Sunday 21 April 2024
John 10:11-18
4th Sunday of Easter

In the
GOSPEL TODAY

THE GOOD SHEPHERD!

Jesus says he is like a good shepherd who knows and loves each one of his sheep. He will do anything to care for them and keep them safe. Jesus loves each one of us in the same way.

Jesus can help

Colour in the speech bubbles that describe how a good shepherd looks after his sheep.

...is kind

...frightens me

...loves me

...hurts me

...feeds me

...leads me

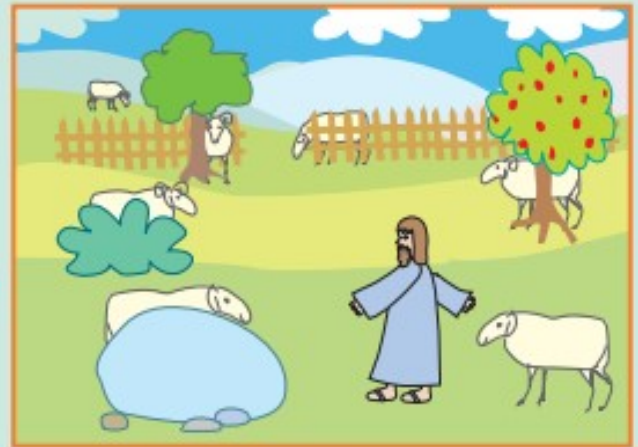
...runs away

...doesn't care

...looks after me when I am hurt

Some of the good shepherd's sheep are playing Hide and Seek. Can you find them?

Draw a line from Jesus to the hidden sheep.



Spot the difference

A good shepherd takes care of the sheep.

Ethan is taking care of his sister Ava and helping to fasten her shoes.



Ethan is being a good shepherd!



Can you find the five differences between the two pictures?

Maze

Jesus wants to gather all his friends together.

Can you help this lost sheep find her way back to the rest of the flock?



A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for looking after me. I know you are always with me. Help me to trust you. Amen.

Answers: Spot the difference: hairstyle, hair colour, socks, dress colour, watch.

SUGGESTIONS WELCOME

Don't forget to make good use of our suggestion box. Look for it in the foyer this weekend and come along armed with your best ideas to make the Parish prosper. While we have a Parish Pastoral Council to help with the big direction setting, it takes more than a council to make a Parish. Each of us has a role in making sure that our parish fulfils its Mission of creating a community of Christian love. How we could be going about reaching out to meet the needs of all is a responsibility to be shared by all parishioners.



NOTICE Board Please see notice board for:

- Upcoming events at The Spirituality Hub at the Church of the Holy Family in Kirup
- The Spring 2023 edition of Mary's News Today will be on display on our Notice Board. We receive this from Mary MacKillop Today as a result of our parishioners who donate their used stamps.
- A basket has been placed in the Church for anyone wishing to donate pantry foods for our St Vincent pantry to help local families.

PRAYER FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF OUR NEW BISHOP

Shepherding God, you reveal your way of unfailing love in the image of the Good Shepherd who seeks the lost, shows compassion, knows and is known by the sheep and lays down his life for them. We, your people of the Bunbury Diocese, are without a bishop to shepherd us. We ask that your Holy Spirit who moves through this great south land, inspire the choice of our new Bishop, empower his 'yes' and open our hearts in hospitality and love. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians: *pray for us.*
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop: *pray for us.*

Knights of the Southern Cross Gala Dinner

The Knights of the Southern Cross (KSC) is resuming its annual Easter gala dinner programs in 2024 and is planning its next function for Friday 3rd May.

The venue will be at the Cathedral Parish Hall with guest speaker, UNDA Vice-Chancellor, Professor Francis Campbell, who will address the gathering about the challenges facing the Church in passing on the Faith in an increasingly secularised society. Details to follow.

St Vincent de Paul—Meeting

change of date

Wednesday 24 March 2024

5.30 pm

A donation basket will be in the Church foyer monthly for people wishing to donate any pantry staples such as canned foods to our St Vincent de Paul pantry to help local families.

THANK YOU.

Mini Worship

Mini worship will begin at Sunday Morning mass, from 21st of April.

I am looking for interested persons to assist with running Mini worship, the more the merrier to share the load.

A Working with Children card is required, but the Parish will pay for this if you do not already have one.

If you are keen to join in, please contact Melissa Ryan (0491 662 641), or leave your name and contact details with the Parish office.

PARISH DATES

Mini Worship

Sunday 21 April at Morning Mass

St Vincent de Paul Meeting—Wednesday
24 April—5.30pm

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday 02 May—7.00pm

Morning Tea—Sunday 28 April—After Mass

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Change of date

Please note change of date for
the PPC meeting to
02 April at 7.00pm

MORNING TEA

28 April—After Mass

We look forward to morning
this Sunday after Mass and
hope you will join us for a cup
of tea or coffee and a lovely



Cash for Containers

Do your bit for the environment and charity at the same time. Don't throw your "empties" away.

Keeping containers from landfill will not only be helping the environment, but also you could use the action to support Caritas by using the "Scheme ID" **C10440496** when you recycle your containers at approved facilities such as the Stanley Road tip.

This way the money goes to a great cause as well as cleaning up our world.



Final Reminder—FEEDBACK—Lenten Program

Friendly a reminder, if you have not provided feedback for the Lenten Program, please see below message from our Evangelisation Coordinator, Aaron Faure hoping we all had a good Holy Week and Easter Triduum.

The Bunbury Diocese are collecting feedback on the Diocesan Lenten program. If you completed the Lenten program and would like to provide feedback, please click on the below digital, this would be greatly appreciated.

Forms are also available in the Church foyer for completion.

Feedback Form: <https://forms.gle/gJnJLaowBcfJHznP8>

	20-Apr	21-Apr	27-Apr	28-Apr
ROSTERS	SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 8.30AM	SATURDAY 6PM	SUNDAY 8.30AM
ACOLYTE	Alex	Paddy	Laurie	John Borserio
LECTOR/s	Judie Clarke	John Borserio Anne Borserio	Anne Stanaway	Frank Colyer Therese Reeves
COMMENTATOR	Karyn Cronin	Jude D'Cruz	Mark Stanaway	Bridget Mills
GREETER	Maureen Munday	Pam Colum	Pia Doyle	Agnese Prentice
ALTAR SERVERS	Jacob Potter Jobe Worthington Noah Gray	Connie Feng Thomas D'Andrea Sophie D'Andrea	Matthew Harper Holly Vener Dylan Anderson	Erin Kietzmann Isabella Kerr Maria Manners
FLOWERS	Trudy Milne			
MORNING TEA	Gianna, Lara and Elina			
COUNTERS	Brian and Fran Mulcahy Ana and Jack de Gooijer			



PASTORAL COUNCILLORS

Melissa Ryan (Chair)
Karyn Cronin (OLMC)
Jo Mincham
Daniel Graves (LCPS)
Penny Elliott
Colin Fredericks
Cathryn Cox

Floral Ministry— Vacancy

Please let myself or one of the other members know if you would like to volunteer and join this very rewarding ministry. If you are interested, please call the number below for enquiries. No previous experience needed and training is available—please contact: Pia Doyle on Mob: **0427084103**



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (or a hymn) The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 117)

ANTIPHON: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

RESPONSE: **The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

LECTOR: 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.**

LECTOR: 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.**

LECTOR: 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.**

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (or a hymn) The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

TODAY'S READINGS Acts 4: 8-12; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

NEXT WEEK (5th Sunday of Easter, Year B) Acts 9: 26-31; Psalm 21; 1 John 3:18-24, John 15: 1-8

*To better
understand
Prayer*

Prayer is Life

Majellan Media's new Prayer is Life podcast series is aimed at giving people a better understanding about prayer. The podcasts are led by Redemptorist priest David Hore CSsR. Why not take a listen? For details and to listen go to: <https://majellan.media/prayer-is-life-podcast/>

