

- ACROSS
- Someone not known or not familiar
  - A person who takes care of sheep
  - The sound made when people speak or sing
  - The word or words by which a person or thing is known
- DOWN
- An opening in a fence for entrance or exit
  - Someone who steals
  - A farm animal with thick curly wool
  - A small area surrounded by a fence in which animals are kept

SHEPHERD	PEN	SHEEP	STRANGER
THIEF	NAME	GATE	VOICE

Word Search Puzzle

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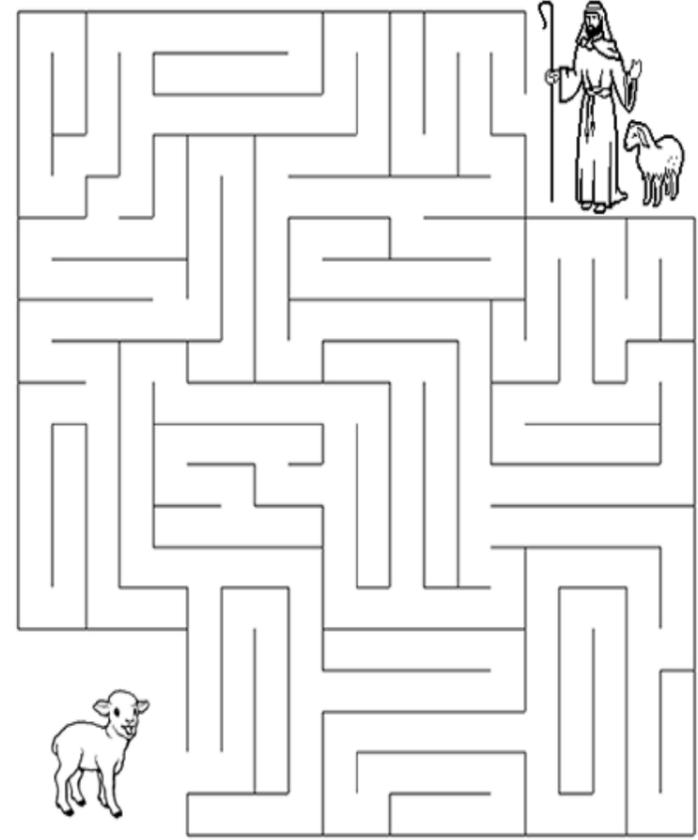


LIFE	LEADS	NAME	PEN	VOICE
KNOW	STRANGER	THIEF	LISTEN	FOLLOW
SHEEP	ROBBER	GATE	SHEPHERD	SAVED



When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. John 10: 4

Help the sheep find the way to the shepherd



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Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Year A • 3 May 2020

All are welcome to join us for **Our Lady of Lourdes, Seven Hills, Sydney, NSW, Australia Facebook LIVE-STREAM WEEKEND MASSES** celebrated by **Fr. Henry Huu Duc Tran on Saturdays 6PM (Vigil), Sundays: 8AM, 9:30AM and 5PM (Vietnamese) AEDT (UTC +11):** <https://www.facebook.com/OLOL7Hills/> People do not need a Facebook account as it will be appear publicly.



**PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**  
My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.



*Our Lady of Lourdes*

Ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comfort of the afflicted, you know my needs, my troubles, my sufferings; cast on me a look of pity.

By appearing in the grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, from which you dispense your favours, and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and physical.

I come, therefore, with the most unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession.

Obtain most loving mother, my requests, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.  
Amen.



**Let us Pray for the Sick**  
Leonila Ahillon, David Barrow, John Bourke, Barrie Chamberlain, Gabriel Chung, Myrna G Cruz, Maureen Daley, Paul Daniel, John Doraisamy, Andrew Fedrigo, Anthony Janicska, Wendy & Klaus, Lawrence Family, Mark McGilligan, Maria V, Blago Milicevic, Laurel Morris, Patricia Oreo, Lekisha Grace Panlilio, Roger & Kimberley Payoe, Wiranjan Peiris, Debra Price, **Susanth** Sennayake, Bernie Sivapatham, Rose Stambouliah, Josette Sultana, Denis Symon, Sue Tipaldo.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920. We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

**Let us Pray for the Deceased**  
Recently Deceased: James Daly, Theresa Fernandes, Sunimal Wijeratne.

**Anniversaries:** Alfred Borg, Cini Family, Conception, Dominic & Monica D'Souza, VA Francis, Zoltan Gartner, Mangion family, Anton Motha, Paula Mula, Giustin Paludi, Lakshman Perera, Pauline & Santan Soares, Anthony Vassallo.

**Remembrance:** Roy, Mary & Des Barney, Elsie, Jean & Karl Garrick, Sharon & John Lawrence, Pauline Meilak, Lourda Motha, Stephen & Louis Mula, Mary & Muscat Family, Roseline Ratnam, Rev Fr Ambrose Ryan, Amalia & Dominga Usman, Martina Galea, Carmel Galea, Benna Xuereb

**FIRST READING** *A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41*

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

'Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 23**

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;  
There is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)

He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. (R.)



You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. (R.)

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
All the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
For ever and ever. (R.)

**SECOND READING** *A reading from the first letter of St Peter 12:20-25*

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty. This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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

**GOSPEL** *A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 10:1-10*

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,  
I am the gate of the sheepfold.  
All others who have come  
are thieves and brigands;  
but the sheep took no notice of them.  
I am the gate.  
Anyone who enters through me will be safe:  
he will go freely in and out  
and be sure of finding pasture.  
The thief comes  
only to steal and kill and destroy.  
I have come  
so that they may have life  
and have it to the full.

**Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the coronavirus pandemic**

O Mary,  
you always shine on our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your  
faith firm.

You, Salvation of all People,  
know what we need,  
and we are sure you will provide  
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,  
we may return to joy and to feasting  
after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who has taken upon himself our sufferings  
and carried our sorrows  
to lead us, through the cross,  
to the joy of the resurrection.

Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother  
of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in  
trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and  
blessed Virgin.



**Liturgy Help - Personal and Family Prayer.**

In this time of crisis, we are providing Catholics with access to a range of resources for personal and family prayer.

In particular, we hope that Catholics in social isolation can gain a sense of prayerful solidarity with their local faith communities and the whole Body of Christ. Feel free to print resources and give them to your friends, family and community, particularly those who do not have access to the internet.

To access these free resources, go to:  
**liturgyhelp.com/aus/parra/pray**  
(login / register as a new user)



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**Pope approves foundation promoting example, works of Pope John Paul I,**

From National Catholic Reporter, By Carol Glatz,  
Pope Francis approved the establishment of the John Paul I Vatican Foundation to preserve and promote the writings, thinking, example and study of "the smiling pope."  
The pope also appointed as the foundation president Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Vatican secretary of state, who, like Pope John Paul, is from Italy's northern Veneto region.  
The Vatican made the announcement April 28.  
Born Albino Luciani in 1921, Pope John Paul I served only 33 days as pope. He died in 1978 at the age of 65, shocking the world and a church that had just mourned the death of St. Paul VI.  
St. John Paul II said his predecessor's importance was inversely proportional to his brief pontificate, and Cardinal Parolin said this pope "was and remains a point of reference within the history of the universal church."  
Much about the pope, his life and work has been gathered over the course of his sainthood cause, which Pope Francis furthered in 2017 with the recognition that Pope John Paul lived the Christian virtues in a heroic way.  
Cardinal Parolin said in a written commentary in the Vatican newspaper, L'Osservatore Romano, April 28 that assembling all the sources of information for the sainthood cause has spurred on new research and important details from a historical point of view.  
"Therefore, a necessary reclaiming of the memory of Pope Luciani is now possible so that his historical significance may be fully restored" and new prospects be opened to greater study into his work, the cardinal wrote.  
Having this new foundation, he added, would allow for the needed preservation of all of the late-pope's works and writings, and would help promote his thinking and spirituality, particularly since his example and message are "extraordinarily timely" today.  
This Italian pope, born into poverty in a small mountain village, was "a pastor near to his people, focused on the essentials of the faith, including an extraordinary social sensitivity," the cardinal wrote.  
"Being close, humility, simplicity, insisting on God's mercy, love for one's neighbor and solidarity are some of his major characteristics," he wrote.  
Cardinal Parolin said Pope John Paul applied the Second Vatican Council throughout his brief pontificate, emphasizing the Gospel, renewed missionary spirit, collegiality, the search for Christian unity, interreligious dialogue, dialogue with the modern world and the promotion of justice and peace.  
The foundation will sponsor various initiatives, including conventions, meetings, seminars and study sessions and will eventually offer scholarships and other types of awards. It will also publish research and be a point of reference throughout the world for people who wish to further their studies regarding Pope John Paul I.  
According to the Vatican communique, Cardinal Parolin named six members to the foundation's administrative board. With each serving a five-year term, the members include: Cardinal Beniamino Stella, prefect of Congregation for Clergy, who was a young priest in the Diocese of Vittorio Veneto when Pope John Paul was its bishop and is postulator of the pope's sainthood cause; Stefania Falasca, a journalist and vice postulator of the cause; and Lina Petri, one of the pope's nieces.  
The six members of the foundation's scientific committee had yet to be named.

**FROM POPE FRANCIS**

**Chapter 7 Youth Ministry—a pastoral care that is synodal—Areas needing to be developed (continued)**

Nature holds a special attraction for many adolescents and young people who recognize our need to care for the environment. Such is the case with the scouting movement and other groups that encourage closeness to nature, camping trips, hiking, expeditions and campaigns to improve the environment. In the spirit of Saint Francis of Assisi, these experiences can be a real initiation into the school of universal fraternity and contemplative prayer.

These and various other opportunities for evangelizing the young should not make us forget that, despite the changing times and sensibilities of young people, there are gifts of God that never grow old, for they contain a power transcending all times and places. There is the word of the Lord, ever living and effective, the nourishing presence of Christ in the Eucharist, and the sacrament of Reconciliation, which brings us freedom and strength. We can also mention the inexhaustible spiritual riches preserved by the Church in the witness of her saints and the teaching of the great spiritual masters. Although we have to respect different stages of growth, and at times need to wait patiently for the right moment, we cannot fail to invite young people to drink from these wellsprings of new life. We have no right to deprive them of this great good.

**A “popular” youth ministry**

In addition to the ordinary, well-planned pastoral ministry that parishes and movements carry out, it is also important to allow room for a “popular” youth ministry, with a different style, schedule, pace and method. Broader and more flexible, it goes out to those places where real young people are active, and fosters the natural leadership qualities and the charisms sown by the Holy Spirit. It tries to avoid imposing obstacles, rules, controls and obligatory structures on these young believers who are natural leaders in their neighbourhoods and in other settings. We need only to accompany and encourage them, trusting a little more in the genius of the Holy Spirit, who acts as he wills.

We are speaking of truly “popular” leaders, not elitists or those closed off in small groups of select individuals. To be able to generate a “popular” ministry to youth, “they need to learn to listen to the sense of the people, to become their spokespersons and to work for their promotion”. When we speak of “the people”, we are not speaking about the structures of society or the Church, but about all those persons who journey, not as individuals, but as a closely-bound community of all and for all, one that refuses to leave the poor and the vulnerable behind. “The people wants everyone to share in the common good and thus agree to keep pace with its least members, so that all can arrive together”. “Popular” leaders, then, are those able to make everyone, including the poor, the vulnerable, the frail and the wounded, part of the forward march of youth. They do not shun or fear those young people who have experienced hurt or borne the weight of the cross.

Similarly, especially in the case of young people who do not come from Christian families or institutions, and are slowly growing to maturity, we have to encourage all the good that we can. Christ warned us not to see only the good grain (cf. Mt 13:24-30). At times, in the attempt to develop a pure and perfect youth ministry, marked by abstract ideas, protected from the world and free of every flaw, we can turn the Gospel into a dull, meaningless and unattractive proposition. Such a youth ministry ends up completely removed from the world of young people and suited only to an elite Christian youth that sees itself as different, while living in an empty and unproductive isolation. In rejecting the weeds, we also uproot or choke any number of shoots trying to spring up in spite of their limitations. **[Pope Francis, apostolic exhortation, CHRISTUS VIVIT— to the young and the entire people of God]**



**FROM FR. HENRY DUC**

In the early years of his papacy, Pope Emeritus Benedict 16 mysteriously talked about the issue of false shepherds, thieves and brigands present in the highest level of the Church without naming any names, except raising his concern about some high ranking clergy who have failed to do the right things. Later on, the world came to know about a high profiled priest, founder of a new congregation, considered as right wing, but well protected by the very high Church authority, was asked to enter a life of penitence and prayer due to his systematic abuse of all sorts of people and his decadent life style. Next was the criminal charge against a string of cardinals, archbishops, and bishops, excluding priests, for their sexual abuses and misconducts, leading to their laicization in some cases.

The Gospel the former Pope then relied on to send out the SOS message to the people of God about such a Church crisis was exactly the one we have for this Fourth Sunday of Easter, traditionally celebrated as Vocations Sunday, meant to put Church vocations in focus.

In this narrative, Jesus presents the true image of a good shepherd with distinctive virtues, that he spelled out as (1) an official enter into the sheepfold through the main gate, which is Jesus himself, and (2) a skill to relate with the sheep by means of mutual listening and trust, a skill Pope Francis defined as shepherds with the smell of sheep.

In contrast to good shepherds, thieves and brigands pose real threats to the sheepfold due to their destructive intention, which was ‘to steal, and kill and destroy.’ The sheep are scared of them and run away from them. These disguised shepherds, perhaps, are the kind of people, who, according to the Australian Royal Commission, look for ‘a sense of entitlement, superiority, and exclusion, and abuse of power,’ in their ministry, instead of true Christian values, such as, charity, mercy, compassion and humble service. They often hide behind the orthodoxy banner to keep alive a monster within the Church called clericalism.

As we celebrate this Vocations Sunday today, let us give praise and thanks for the gift of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who came to bring us life and lead us to the eternal pasture.

Let us pray for each other in our call to glorify God’s name in our own vocations in the world, pray that we may be able to make Jesus proud in whatever we are called to do every day.

Let us pray especially for those who were and shall be ordained to serve in the Church as ordained ministers, that they will always be inspired by and follow the example and the path of their ultimate Shepherd, who came not to lord over his followers, but serve them with humility.

Have a vocation-oriented week.

Fr. Henry

**Planned Giving Program**

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. Current projects being including the Hall Kitchen renovation, Parish Meeting Room painting. As there are no mass to give envelope collections, all members of our parish are invited to join a Direct Debit program.

Please add a reference of “Donation” Banking details are below:

**ON-LINE DIRECT DEPOSIT**  
 BSB: 067 950;  
 Account Number 000552;  
 Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.

**IN-PERSON BANK DEPOSIT (at a Bank Institute/Branch)**  
 Seven Hills Catholic Church  
 BSB: 062 315  
 Acc Id # - 2315 00910 1486  
 AGENT # - 660

*Your generosity is greatly appreciated.*

**MONEY MATTERS**

**Envelopes \$560.00**  
**Loose \$ 00.00**  
**TOTAL \$560.00**  
**WEEKLY TARGET: \$ 3500.00**



**Thanksgiving Offertory**

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.  
 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Your gift supports our parish to share Christ's message of love and salvation with all

**GIVE TO YOUR PARISH**

**Financial Support of our Parish:**

As you would be aware with the closing down of our Churches, the financial support of our parish is now very different. The parish is receiving very limited income at this time. We are very appreciative of those who continue to drop in envelopes each week and also those who are taking advantage of online contributions. As we continue to receive our expenses each week, it is important, that, if it is at all possible, parishioners continue to offer their financial support to our parish family. As you will see on our webpage this can be done electronically. Please call Erika or Alison in the Parish Office 9622 2920 for assistance.

**COVID-19 Update** issued from the Diocese of Parramatta, please refer to the website: <https://parracatholic.org/covid19>

**PARISH NEWS...**



**RETURN OF PROJECT COMPASSION BOX TO PARISH OFFICE**

Thanks to some relaxation of the lockdown introduced by the government to allow two adults to visit another household at the same time starting from Friday 01 May, 2020, I would like to encourage our parishioners to begin to bring Project Compassion box to our Parish Office between 10am – 2pm. I am looking forward to see you again for a catch-up.

**OUR PARISH ‘TIP AND GO’ SYSTEM**

It has been a normal and popular practice in various parishes in our Parramatta Diocese and other ones in the country to have the TIP & GO system in place, known under different names in different churches. Anyway, whatever it is called, it mainly means to upgrade the way we make donations to the parish far easier, especially for those, who haven’t yet joined our Enveloped Program. We are thinking of installing the system with a five dollars limit at two different locations in the church: One at the main entrance, and the other at the side door to carpark. If you have a good suggestion for naming our system, please give our Parish Office a ring, and we are looking forward to hear from you.

**FR HENRY’S SILVER JUBILEE....**

Due to unknown complications of the Coronavirus development, we dutifully decided to postpone all the celebrations scheduled for both 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of May, 2020. All ticket-holders are invited to hang on to their tickets in the meantime, and a new date is to be discussed and announced when available. We are sorry for any inconvenience you might have in this regard.