# **GOSPEL:** John 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the 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, just as the Father knows 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 my Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# Be a volunteer OUT THERE

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but immerse themselves in overseas communities for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, share them with our global family! Come to a Palms Info Session in Parramatta or City:

Saturday 26 May 9am St Patrick's Cathedral Hall 1 Marist Place, PARRAMATTA (car entry via Victoria Road)

Thursday 31 May 5:45pm St Peter Julian's Church 432 Sussex Street, Haymarket, Sydney. **Palms** 

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Go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer or Contact Palms on 02 9560 5333

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# PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM REQUEST FORM

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#### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil), Sunday: 8am, 10am (Children's Liturgy), 6pm, 12noon (Polish).

#### THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 8.00am.

> **Nursing Home Masses** NIL

#### **Vietnamese Mass**

7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

#### **DEVOTIONS**

Benediction: Saturday 7.00am.

Rosary: Saturday 8.25am.

## **Divine Mercy Prayer:**

6.30pm - 1st Wed of each month.

### **SACRAMENTS**

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm Or by appointment.

Marriages: By arrangement with at least 6 months notice.

Care for the Sick: Any time. Please call the Presbytery.

**Baptisms:** By appointment. Preparation classes are held in the Presbytery on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10AM Mass.



"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep..." John 10:11

### Responsorial Psalm

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

# Gospel Acclamation

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

This weeks readings - Acts 4:8-12; 1John 3:1-2; Gospel - John 10:11-18.

Next Weekend: 5th Sun Easter - Year B. Readings Acts 9:26-31; 1John 3:18-24; Gospel - John 15:1-8.

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Yr B - 22nd April 2018

# Join Pope Francis in Panama for the 34th World Youth Day in January 2019

Sydney Catholic Youth are inviting you on the pilgrimage of a lifetime to Panama where you will celebrate Mass with Pope Francis and millions of young Catholics from around the world.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will lead the Sydney pilgrimage departing on 15 January 2019 which will travel from Sydney to Washington DC, then to WYD Panama with the optional extension to travel to Mexico City.

Register your interest and find out more by visiting the website www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/wyd

# In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop 2018 National Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. Commence in Melbourne 23 October, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 3 November 2018. COST EX SYDNEY: \$3,230.00 (all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals). SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$700.00. For further information, please contact Sr Therese Leydon 0417 683123 or Sr Annie Bond 02 89124818, or email <a href="mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au">national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au</a>.



# Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Kabalan Elachi; Philip Macklin.

Anniversary: Doris Hayes St Clair; Margaret Freebairn; Lucien Descombes; Joseph

Nguyen Trong An; Paul Do Huu Phuong; Carole Cooper; Fred Salter

Deceased: George Abdul Ahad; John Field; Joseph Condello; Joseph Marcellus

Fernandes; Rosie Dalphine Fernandes

*Sick:* Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; Tim Logue; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Jovie Casuso; Reyes & Adelle Lim, Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Georgina Omeros; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Debbie Randall (nee Goodwin); Theresa Badwi.

(Please advise the office when the names of the sick can be removed)

# Weekly Rosters Altar Society: 29/4/18 Group 5: Samoan Divine Mercy Group. St Vincent de Paul: 29/4/18 John Ashe 6/5/18 D Rodrigues Church Cleaners: 27/4/18: Mai Hai Children's Liturgy: 29th April - HOLIDAYS

Weekend Choirs: 29/4 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir.

Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God. 10 am - St Felix Choir. 6pm - St Mary Mackillop Choir.

# **Readers & Ministers**

	Sat 6pm 22 AP	RIL 8am	10am	6pm		
С	Kalisiana Mar	Joseph Dang	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf		
R	Gabrielle Nguyen	Robyn Molloy	Emanuela Viner	Elias Eltarraf		
Α	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)		
М	Emmanuel Icard	Mesake Mar	Bev Lamaro	Jacinta Eltarraf		
М	Gloria Booby	Thao Nguyen	Helen Vujevic	Loreto Eduardo		
29 APRIL						
С	Emmanuel Icard	Imelda Dela Cruz	Anthony Rowe	Lucia Mezentsef		
R	Patrick Abourizk	Thuy Linh Nguyen	Mary O'Hea	Kathleen Mezentsef		
Α	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)		
М	Cindy Hoang	Melanie Campisi	Tu Nguyen	Paul Ngoc		
М	Gloria Booby	Chris Kreltszheim	Ala Pesamino	Phu Nguyen		

# Be a good shepherd

The Good Shepherd makes sacrifices for the sheep not because it is required, but because it is a choice. That sounds a lot like parenting and the dynamics of a healthy family life. Parents choose to make sacrifices for their children out of love, not obligation. Christian parents model and invite their children to choose to make sacrifices for other family members and for other people, acting out of love rather than obligation.

When you gather as a family, invite each family member to consider the attitude that permeates their participation in family life. Read a common examen, such as any of the following: *Do we do family chores cheerfully and without having to be asked multiple times? Do we gladly share with others? Do we willingly contribute to the family good when asked?* Read aloud today's Gospel, John 10:11-18. Discuss together how the example of the Good Shepherd might inspire your family life. Invite each family member to make a renewed commitment to one action/attitude to focus on in the upcoming week that show that we will choose to follow the example of the Good Shepherd. Pray together that we will be able to honour our commitment. Pray together Saint Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer for Generosity.

Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God, Teach me true generosity.

Teach me to serve you as you deserve. To give without counting the cost,

To fight heedless of wounds, To labour without seeking rest,

To sacrifice myself without thought of any reward

Save the knowledge that I have done your will.

Amen.

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## Feasts of the Week

#### 26 April - St Mark, evangelist. Feast.

Died about the year 74. Usually identified with the John Mark whose mother's house in Jerusalem was a meeting place for the apostles, and with the young man who followed Christ after his arrest (*Mark 14:51*). A cousin of Saint Barnabas (11 June). Accompanied Saint Paul (29 June) on his first missionary journey and later followed him to Rome. A companion of Saint Peter (29 June) and traditionally credited with the gospel which reflects Peter's teaching and memoirs. Honoured as the founder of the Church in Alexandria.

#### 28 April - St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr. Memorial.

Born at Cuet (France) 1803. Died on Futuna (South-west Pacific Ocean) on this day in 1841. A parish priest noted for his pastoral zeal, particularly his care of the sick. Joined the Society of Mary (Marists) and remembered for his missionary work in the Pacific. Evangelisation in the local language brought some success on the island of Futuna which led to his murder by a jealous chieftain. Honoured as the first martyr of the Church in Oceania.

# CWF May Appeal

The next CWF collection will be held on **5 & 6 of May**. Parishes of the Sydney Archdiocese rely on the services provided by the CWF to deliver assistance to families in crisis, development programs for the disadvantaged, equal access for our deaf and hearing impaired, pastoral support from its chaplaincy service, training for our future priests and faith education for our Catholic parish primary school children. Donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible. Your generous donation no matter how great or small will make a difference in someone's life.

Archdiocesan Social Justice Gathering — 'Caring for God's Creation, Caring for God's People' Come and join us for our first Social Justice Gathering for 2018!

We will have panels of speakers on a variety of topics related to our theme for the day which will focus on solar energy and anti-slavery projects. There will be a mix of practical and informative sessions and time to renew or begin relationships with social justice groups from other parishes. We will also have some time to hear from existing leaders about how to start and run a social justice group in your parish. There will be a delicious lunch and refreshments throughout the day. There is plenty of street parking and the venue is easily accessible by public transport as well. All most welcome! Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018, 10:30 for11:00am-3:30pm at St Columba's Parish Hall, 213 Elswick Street, Leichhardt. Free but RSVP is essential for catering: email jpoinfo@sydneycatholic.org or call 9307 8465

Baptism:

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

Dominic Nguyen

May he always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout his life.

