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### May 7 — 4th Sunday of Easter (Year C)



This text in John's Gospel is set in Jerusalem, while Jesus is there for the Feast of Dedication (John 10:22), a feast celebrating the presence of God in the temple. The temple was not just a building for Israel. It was the visible place where God dwelt in the heart of God's people; to go to the temple and worship was to 'approach God'. Jesus is teaching something completely new here. He stands within the temple precinct and declares that it is only through him and through hearing his voice that people can come to the Father. The voice of Jesus is both seen and heard in the events of his life, death and resurrection. It is through all these

events that the ways of God are made known to us. *(the summit)*

The care that a shepherd showed for his flock remains a powerful image in the Church, despite its origins in an ancient agricultural society. In our country, with its vast paddocks and endless fences, the work of a true shepherd has lost some of its meaning, but the intimacy and tenderness of the image still speak to us of the closeness of Christ's relationship with all who believe in him. *(the summit)*

#### IV DOMENICA DI PASQUA (ANNO C)

*Donandoci, per mezzo del battesimo, di far parte della Chiesa, Gesù ci assicura di conoscerci uno per uno. La vocazione battesimale è sempre personale, e richiede una risposta di responsabilità in prima persona. Ci sentiamo sicuri, nella Chiesa, perché Gesù è sempre con noi, e ci chiama e ci guida con la voce esplicita del Papa e con i suggerimenti interiori che ci aiutano a riconoscerla e a corrisponderci. Se restiamo nella Chiesa, con il Papa, non andremo mai dispersi, perché Gesù ci conosce per nome e ha dato la sua vita per salvarci. Quella vita che si comunica a noi, pegno di eternità, nell'Eucaristia degnamente ricevuta. Non dobbiamo aver paura di nulla. Attraverso Gesù entriamo in comunione con il Padre, partecipiamo alla vita trinitaria. I pericoli esterni non ci turbano: dobbiamo temere soltanto il peccato che ci seduce a trovare altre vie, lontane dal percorso del gregge guidato da Gesù. La nostra personale fedeltà alla voce del Pastore contribuisce all'itinerario di salvezza che la Chiesa guida nel mondo, e da essa dipende la nostra felicità. (lachiesa.it)*

#### First Communion, and, Confirmation

Sacramental preparation for state school students in Grade 3 or up.

Please contact Anna Proud 0402741258.

#### Prima Comunione, e, Cresima

Preparazione sacramentale per gli studenti delle scuole statali di grado 3 o superiore.

Si prega di contattare Anna Proud 0402741258.

**The sick in our parish:** Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Elda Taranto, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Lorraine, Patricia, David, Vanessa Borg, Peta Wright, Herrmann Family, Adam, Helen Rakuscek, Bob Brown, Rina Carfi, Angela Barto, Patrick Brennan, Maria Saracino, Rommel Montano, Leonora Aquino Morales, Sonia Taranto, Norm McDonough, Evelyn McDonough, Diana Nash, Lori, Domenic Cunsolo, Laurence

**Recently deceased:** Leondino Palmarella, Rose Ficarra, Venera Maiorana, Enrique Manalo

**Anniversaries:** Bruno Troise, Angelo and Loreta Buttigieg, Frank and Carmen Debono, Jenko Franin, Saveria Tarzia, Fortunato Mercuri, John Iapozzuto, Alma Ambrosini, Pauline De Francesco, Hertbert Eliyathamby, Myrtle Eliyathamby, Mable Florence De Zilva, Blossom Weerasinghe, Sherine Adolphus, Anna Gentile, Filomena Di Felice, Biondo Di Felice, Audrey Tinker, Percy Tinker, Garry Tinker, Gina Bencic, Rosaria Caruso, Sebastiana and Elisabetta Santisi, Tereza and Charles Mondy

*We especially pray for all the deceased St. Matthews parishioners, those whose names are on the Church pews & the Resurrection Chapel.*

#### Rosters for weekend masses (May 14/15 )

##### Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm: A. Proud

Sunday 9.00 am: V. Burgio

Sunday 10.30 am : M. Costa

**Bus driver:** B. Tajhano

#### Mass times

##### Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am

**Novena masses will not be held between April 26 and May 25. Masses will resume June 1**

##### Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm

Sunday 9.00 am ; Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass)

#### Aid to the Church—Emergency appeal for Ukraine

Last weekend the amount of \$115.80 was collected to support the Catholic Church in Ukraine. The offering will help ease the burden that the people of the Ukraine are shouldering at this time. Thanks to those who donated.

#### Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

You are invited to make your contribution to the training of seminary students for the Catholic priesthood. The Bishops of Victoria and Tasmania have established an annual Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal and invite donations that will support the education of students at Corpus Christi College, Melbourne.

How to donate: Follow the link to complete the online donation form : <https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherd-sunday-appeal/>

**St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.**

The electronic version of the Parish bulletin is available on the Parish website @ <http://stmatthewsparish.org.au/>