From Sunday's Gospel



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. 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." Sunday 25th April 2021 Adapted from John 10:11-18 The 4th Sunday of Easter, Year B



Pope Francis writes, "My dear young

people, "Let us trust in Jesus the Lord! This is the key to success in life."

Today's word is **Trust.** Jesus, the Good Shepherd, wants us to place our trust in him.

When we trust Jesus to lead us, just as a shepherd leads his sheep, he helps us to make the right choices. Jesus fills our lives with goodness, so that we stay close to him and do not go astray. Each of us might ask ourselves how, in the days ahead, we can show our trust in Jesus. Perhaps, rather than worry, pray and offer any concerns to Jesus. How can we show Jesus, and others, that we are people who they can trust? Perhaps we can always try to: tell the truth; choose to do the right thing; be generous with our God-given gifts of time, talent and money; keep our promises.

Dear Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd who guides us through life. Please help us always to place our trust in you. Amen.



Sacred Heart & St William

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4th Sunday of Easter

April 25th 2021 (Mark's Gospel)

PLEASE NOTE THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR MASS ON TUESDAY & THURSDAYS 9.30AM AND SATURDAY 6.00PM (BOOKING NECESSARY

FOR SATURDAY 6.00PM)

The intentions are as follows:

Saturday:	6.00pm	Sr Patricia Henry
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
		(live streamed without a congregation)
Monday:		Margaret & Jack Holmes
Tuesday:	9.30am	Sisters of Mercy
Wednesday:		November Dead List
Thursday:	9.30am	Lotty Bourke
Friday		Fr Vincent O'Hara
Saturday:	6.00pm	Fr Peter Johnson
Sunday:	9.00am	n People of the Parish
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Confessions by appointment

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Permanent Deacon: Revd Peter Rudd Tel: 01457 876559 Safeguarding Officers: Mrs Tessa Spalding Tel: 01457 873515

Mrs Michelle Moore

Church Opening Times



The church being open for a congregation to be present on **Tuesday & Thursday** mornings at 9.30am and Saturday evening at 6.00pm. Please contact Susan on the Friday before the Saturday Vigil Mass to book a place on 01457 878055 or 07778856089—

thank you. Mass will continue to be live streamed on a Sunday morning at 9.00am without a congregation.

Stewards/Cleaners April 2021

Saturday 24th April 6.00pm: Mary Farmer & Celia Hall. Tuesday 27th 9.30am: Michelle Mowinski & Liz Moores Thursday 29th 9.30am: Liz Taylor & Claire Ward Saturday May 1st 6.30pm: Ian Charnock & Mary Farmer



Currently there is no cure for dementia and the financial resources for research into dementia are small compared to Cancer and Diabetes. However there are things we can do in middle age onwards to greatly reduce our chances of developing it later in life:

Stop smoking
Maintain a healthy weight
Exercise
Keep socially active and try new things

This last one may be unexpected, but it is very important. Socialising and trying new things creates new connections in the brain. This can help reduce our risk of developing dementia and it can also help us live as well as possible with the condition if we do develop it. But going out and trying new things can be difficult if we have dementia and are not feeling like ourselves. People with dementia and their families can become isolated. One thing that has proved helpful is **creating a playlist of personal music.** This is a great way for people living with dementia and their families and carers to spend time together and offer a way to connect through music.

"Loving Father, you are close to the broken hearted. Look with compassion on those whose lost memories have robbed them of home and belonging. Comfort and strengthen those who care for them. May they make their home in You. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen"



Reclaim our Common Home

CAFOD's new campaign is a response to Pope Francis's call for a new way of thinking about the world, and to take an active part in renewing our troubled societies by embracing the universal values of solidarity and fraternity. In 2020, we experienced the worst global health crisis in a century. The

coronavirus pandemic has devastated lives and shattered families in Britain and across the world, with disastrous consequences for people's jobs and livelihoods. Reclaim Our Common Home is a call to action! It's a call to participate both individually and collectively in rebuilding a more dignified and sustainable world after the pandemic.

Why 2021 must be a year of transformation

As the host of two major international conferences, the British government has a crucial role to play in 2021. In the summer, Britain will host the **G7 annual meeting** where the leaders of the seven richest countries will gather to discuss how to rebuild after the pandemic. This will be followed by the **UN 'COP26' climate talks** taking place in Glasgow in November. CAFOD Petition: *Dear Prime Minister*,

COP26 will be one of the most important summits of the century. The conference must put us on track to end a climate emergency which is having a devastating impact on the world and hitting the poorest communities the hardest. As host to this crucial meeting, we urge you to make sure world leaders show the ambition needed to stop temperatures rising beyond a disastrous 1.5 degrees, with each country committing to do its fair share.

And we urge you to put the people worst affected by the crisis—those who have done least to contribute to the problem—at the heart of the talks.

You can sign the on line petition to the Prime Minister and find more information on <u>www.cafod.org.uk/reclaim</u> or take a paper petition from the back of church.