

Welcome to the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Today's Gospel comes from John 10:1-10

The Good Shepherd

“Jesus said: “Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber.

But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.

The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him,

because they recognize his voice.

But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers.”

Although Jesus used this figure of speech, the Pharisees did not realize what he was trying to tell them.

So Jesus said again, “Amen, amen, I say to you,

I am the gate for the sheep.

All who came before me are thieves and robbers,

but the sheep did not listen to them.

I am the gate.

Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy;

I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”

The Shepherd and His Sheep

His sheep follow him because they know his voice.
John 10:4b (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 10:1-10 (NIV).



John 10:1-10

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 R O I Y S Z W G E K M N U F U
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 D U G V H P T N F V W N A F O
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LEADS	ROBBER	PEN	WATCHMAN	TRUTH
FOLLOW	DESTROY	THIEF	STRANGER	GATE
VOICE	STEAL	SHEPHERD	NAME	SHEEP

In our Gospel today, Jesus compared himself to a shepherd. He said that He was the gateway. He is the way to life, and anyone else that might try to stake such a claim is tricking us. We are like sheep, wandering around and needing guidance. We can trust in Jesus to provide for us and to protect us. He said that a good shepherd would even lay down his life for the sheep, and that's exactly what Jesus did!

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for always guiding me in the right direction. Please help me each and every day to see you and follow you, especially when it is much easier to walk the other way.

Your ways are always the best for me. Thank you Jesus for always picking me up and carrying me in the direction home.

I love you Jesus.

Amen