



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8TH MAY 2022 TIME YEAR C/2



The passages from the Gospels where Jesus likens us to being sheep leave me a bit cold. I think I must lose something in the translation from first century Palestine to today. Most of the sheep I have ever watched may well be cute, in a woolly sort of way, but they are anxious creatures often running in packs in every direction, are notoriously stupid and difficult to manage or direct. On second thoughts maybe the analogy is not so bad after all! We, the people of God, can certainly be an anxious lot, a bit slow on the uptake and difficult to lead. It also true, however, that sheep are incredibly useful and adaptable animals. Think about all the places they have been taken throughout the world. They thrive. With all

due respect to the vegans, vegetarians and animal liberationists here today, think about the multiple ways they have served humanity.

The point of the shepherd analogy in the Gospels, of course, is about the importance of intimacy. A sheep in those days is similar to the central role some domestic cats and dogs have in our homes. They are members of the family. Shepherds in Jesus' day belonged to nomadic tribes that moved with their small flock throughout Israel. Every sheep mattered. Every sheep had a name. In an agrarian society every sheep was a vital economic unit. To lose one caused trouble not only to the individual, but also to the tribe. To lose a flock was financial ruin for a generation. As a result when Jesus invokes the image of the shepherd he draws attention to the intimate knowledge and care the shepherd has of them.

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that we follow him, not because we are too dumb to know otherwise, or because we are anxious or fearful of our alternatives, but because we know his voice, we know him, he knows our name. We follow Jesus' lead for no other reason than throughout our life we have come to trust him and to rely on the intimacy of our relationship with him. In return he protects us and makes sure no one can steal us from his flock.

The possibility of being stolen away from the Christian family is a real one. We know many people who, for a variety of reasons, have left the fold and been seduced into pursuing other leads. Whereas every Sunday we affirm that we cannot find a better way to live than following the Way, the Truth and the Life which is Christ present here and now. No one can suggest it is always easy to follow the Gospel and hang in here with one another. Jesus was never under any illusions about what following his lead may cost, but he underlines how much we need each other to survive in this world.

In this Eucharist, then, let's steal a few moments to experience again the intimate love of the Risen Lord who knows, claims and loves us. May we respond by following his lead by enfolding all our world in our care and welcoming all his children into his flock.

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OFFICE OPENING HOURS

ASHMORE:

MONDAY TO THURSDAY

8.00AM TO 4.00PM

SOUTHPORT OFFICE:

(ANGELS ON SCARBOROUGH)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9.00AM TO 4.30PM



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Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse & is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries & services.

The safety & wellbeing of children & adults-at-risk is paramount.

St. Joseph the Worker Church

44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses

7.00am & 8.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday - 7.00am

Gold Coast University Hospital

Rosary 10.00am

Friday Mass 10.30am

Please note the Mass and Rosary will start on the 13th May 2022

Guardian Angels Church

99 Scarborough Street, Southport

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday Reconciliation 4.30pm

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm

Sunday 7.00am & 9.00am

Sunday 3.30pm Korean Mass

Prayers & Adoration

Wednesday 12.00noon - 1.00pm

Weekday Mass

Friday 12.30pm

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4.30pm

Sunday 9.00am & 5.30pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 9.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday 4.30pm

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER FESTIVAL MASS

LET'S EAT, FELLOWSHIP, AND CELEBRATE

THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

Saturday 28th May 2022
Mass at 6pm
Dinner at 7pm at
Lumen Christi Center

Now that Covid is behind us its time to celebrate at Southport Catholic Parish. We will celebrate the **Feast of St Joseph the Worker** with a special Vigil Mass at 6pm on Saturday the **28th of May at St Joseph the Worker Church** followed by a procession with a statue of St Joseph to the Lumen Christi Centre and **blessing of the Centre.**

Dinner will be served at 7pm . Tickets are available to all parishioners and friends for roast suckling pork (Lechon) dinner and dance with entertainment at the newly blessed Lumen Christi Centre for only \$10 per ticket. Drinks are available for only \$2 for red, white and sparkling wine. Please buy tickets for the dinner at the Parish Office or at the shop "Angels on Scarborough" Southport. Tickets for the drinks can be bought on the night.

RSVP to Daloras and Maria on 5510 2222 (Parish Offices)

Lumen Christi Centre update

Finally the issues we have had with the echo in the Centre has been resolved. By placing architectural acoustic carpet tiles, we can now play music and talk in the Centre at the same time. We will test out the success of this during the up coming **St Joseph the Worker Festival Mass on the 28th of May**

Mass at Gold Coast University Hospital – Please note that Rosary at 10.00am and Holy Mass at 10.30am at the Gold Coast University Hospital will resume on Friday the 13th May.



Marian Valley. Please come and join us at the Marian Valley for the feast of Our Lady of Fatima on the 13.05.2022. The bus will be picking up at 8.15 am at the Sacred Heart Church Clear Island Waters.. The Cost for the bus is \$22.00 return. You can secure your seat with contact name and contact phone number with Xavier Solomon 0404 843 260, Madeleine on 0405 252 367 or 5529 1573,. All are welcome.



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Congratulations to Masima and Imi Felu as they celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary, on the 13th May. Your love for each other is something to celebrate. We wish you both many more happy years together.



BAPTISM for Children at Southport Catholic Parish.

Baptism is the first of three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Southport Catholic Parish follows the policies of the Archdiocese of Brisbane as it welcomes each person into the family of the Church through the waters of Baptism.

Infants and children are baptised at the request of parents. Within the Baptism ritual, parents promise to accept the responsibility of training their children in the practice of the faith and to raise their children to understand and live God's commandments. Parents can request baptism for their child by contacting the Parish office on 5510 2222

Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year C/2
1st Reading – Acts 14:21-27 - 2nd Reading – Revelation 21: 1-5
Gospel - John 13:31-35

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PHONE: 1300 304 550 EMAIL: AOB@stopline.com.au ONLINE: www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)

Southport Catholic Parish

Kerri Kleidon

Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.

RECENTLY DECEASED

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By request the names of our sick and deceased family & friends will be recorded in these books in each church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHOSE NAMES APPEAR IN THESE BOOKS



PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador, on the Saturday 28th May, there will be a special Mass at 6pm followed by dinner at 7pm for the feast of St Joseph the Worker and for the opening of the Lumen Christi Centre, please see advertisement.

Rosary Please join in saying the rosary every **Monday and Wednesday at 6.00 am** at St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador. **Tuesday & Thursday 8.00am** Mary Immaculate.

Eucharistic Adoration at Mary Immaculate Church

Please join us every **Thursday** from 7.45 till 8.45 am. There will be rosary, chaplet of the Divine Mercy and private prayer, followed by Mass.

Holy Hour at Guardian Angels Church, Southport

Please join us every **Wednesday** 12.00 noon - 1.00pm for silent prayer, hymns, rosary and spiritual reflections, benediction Confessions available on Wednesday only. Adoration **Friday** from 11.30am.

Novena at St Joseph the Worker Church Labrador every **Wednesday** at 6.00pm.

1st Wednesday Rosary 6.00pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm

First Saturday of each month, Mass at St Joseph the Worker Church (Rosary - 8.30am) 9.00am Mass.

Sunday. Filipino Mass 1st Sunday of each month at 12 noon at Guardian Angels Church 99 Scarborough St Southport.

PLEASE NOTE - Walking Group. CHANGE OF TIME. At **St Joseph the Worker Church,** Saturday at **6.30am.** To join please contact Janece 0408 763 772.

~QUOTE~

"Life is wasted if we do not grasp the glory of the cross, cherish it for the treasure that it is, and cleave to it as the highest price of every pleasure and the deepest comfort in every pain. What was once foolishness to us - a crucified God - must become our wisdom and our power and our only boast in this world." John Piper

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

First Holy Communion in 2022

*****ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED*****

First Holy Communion occurs in the year when Children turn 9 (year 4) and is the climax of their Christian Initiation. The preparation for the First Holy Communion also includes a simple celebration of the second rite of penance.

All meetings are requirements, and will be held at Mary Immaculate Church.

Important Dates to remember: (Parents can choose to attend one of these meetings and do not need to attend to both.) The preparation for the Sacrament of the First Holy Communion will be similar format to the **At Home Preparation for Confirmation Program.**

First Meeting:

Sunday, 15th May at 10:15 (after 9am Mass) or Thursday, 19th May at 4pm.

Rite of Enrolment:

Saturday, 21st May 4:30pm Vigil Mass or Sunday, 22nd May @ 9am or 5:30pm Mass.

Second Meeting:

Sunday, 29th May at 10:5am (after 9am Mass) or Thursday, 2nd June @ 4pm.

2nd Rite Reconciliation:

Tuesday, 7th June at 10am (for Guardian Angels' Student) and Tuesday, 7th June at 4pm (for the non-Guardian Angels Students)

Practice: Wednesday, 15th June at 4pm.

First Communion Ceremony:

Saturday, 18th June at 4:30pm or Sunday, 19th June at 9am or 5:30pm Mass.

For any queries, pls contact Maria Blanca on 5510 2222 or email her on MariaB@scp.org.au.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Good Shepherd You Know Us

Good Shepherd, you know us,
you call us by name, you lead us,
we gladly acknowledge your claim.
Your voice has compelled us,
we come at your call,
and none you have chosen
will finally fall.

Good Shepherd,
you lay down your life for the sheep.
Your love is not fickle,
your gift is not cheap.
You spend your life freely,
you take it again. You died so we live,
we are healed by your pain.

At one with the Father,
you made yourself known,
"I am the Good Shepherd,"
at one with your own. You loved us
before we had heeded or heard,
by grace we respond
to your lifegiving word.

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GLORY TO GOD: (All Sung)

Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace to people of
good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
We adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great
glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God,
almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten
Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most High, Jesus
Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
God the Father.
Amen, Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – SUNG

The Lord's My Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green, he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk,
for thou art with me,
and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes,
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

"The sheep of my flock," says the Lord,
"hearing my voice, they will listen,
they will follow me, for I know them,
they are mine."

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

GIFTS PROCESSION

Come to Me

Refrain:

***Come to me, all who labour
and are heavy burdened
and I shall give you rest.***

***Take up my yoke and learn
from me,***

for I am meek and humble of heart.

And you'll find rest for your souls.

***Yes, my yoke is easy
and my burden is light.***

The Lord is my shepherd,
I shall never be in need.
Fresh and green are the meadows
where he gives me rest **R**

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us Saviour of the world,
for by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Like a Shepherd

Refrain:

***Like a shepherd he feeds his flock
and gathers the lambs in his arms,
holding them carefully
close to his heart,
leading them home.***

Say to the cities of Judah,
"Prepare the way of the Lord.
Go to the mountain top,
lift your voice,
Jerusalem, here is your God." **R**

"I myself will shepherd them,
for others have led them astray.
The lost I will rescue
and heal their wounds
and pasture them, giving them rest." **R**

"Come unto me
if you are heavily burdened,
and take my yoke upon your
shoulders,
I will give you rest." **R**

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REFLECTION

Living Water

Refrain:

***I will give you living water,
shade to rest under,
strength to your heart.***

***Grow deep within me,
filled by my spirit,
my burdens are easy,
my life it is yours.***

We have been with the lonely,
to the hungry we've given your bread,
We now come
with all our hopes and dreams
to rest awhile with you. **R**

To the empty we've carried
Your word of hope and of life.
Build us now,
beyond our hopes and dreams,
till we live in you. **R**

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Canticle of the Sun

Refrain:

***The heavens are telling
the glory of God, and all creation
is shouting for joy.***

***Come, dance in the forest,
come play in the field,
and sing, sing
to the glory of the Lord.***

Sing to the sun, the bringer of day,
he carries the light of the Lord
in his rays, the moon and the stars
who light up the way unto your
throne. **R**

Praise to the wind
that blows through the trees,
the seas mighty storms,
the gentlest breeze,
they blow where they will,
they blow where they please
to please the Lord. **R**

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I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord, Who was conceived by
the Holy Spirit,
(all bow) born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell; on the third day
he rose again from the dead; He
ascended into heaven; and is seated at
the right hand of
God the Father almighty; From there he
will come to judge the living and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, The holy
catholic church, The communion of
saints, The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And life everlasting. Amen