

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – “GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY”
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
April 26, 2026

SPRINKLING RITE: *During the Easter Season we renew our baptismal sharing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ through water and the Holy Spirit.*

Gloria: *“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will!”*

LITURGY OF THE WORD see [Readings](#)

Responsorial Psalm 32: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want!

Prayer of the Faithful: *You may un-mute and share your prayers.*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts *Shepherd of My Heart*

1. My shepherd is the Lord, for nothing shall I want;
green are the pastures where I'm led to repose.
Near waters still and deep God will refresh my soul.
I am led onward in ways true to the Name.

Refrain: Guide me, O shepherd of my heart;
lead me homeward through the dark, into everlasting day.
Show me the way of truth and light; keep me always in your sight.
May my life never part from the shepherd of my heart.

2. If I should walk one day into the vale of darkness,
no evil shall I fear with God at my side.
There with your crook and staff you give me strength and comfort;
you spread a banquet in the sight of my foes. (*Refrain*)
3. You anoint my head with oil; my cup is overflowing;
goodness and kindness crown the days of my life.
Within the Lord's own house I dwell in peace forever;
within the house of God my soul is at rest. (*Refrain*)

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Spiritual Communion Prayer

Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Communion Song

Without Seeing You

Refrain: Without seeing you, we love you; without touching you, we embrace;
without knowing you, we follow; without seeing you, we believe.

1. We return to you deep within, leave the past to the dust;
turn to you with tears and fasting; you are ready to forgive.
2. The sparrow will find a home, near to you, O God;
how happy, we who dwell with you, forever in your house.
3. Forever we sing to you of your goodness, O God;
proclaiming to all the world of your faithfulness and love.
4. For you are our shepherd, there is nothing that we need;
in green pastures we will find our rest, near the waters of peace.

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Sending Forth Song:

Sing of the Lord's Goodness

1. Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom,
come to him and bless his name.
Mercy he has shown us, his love is for ever,
faithful to the end of days.

Refrain: Come, then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness,
melodies of praise and thanks to God.
Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music,
worship him and bless his name.

2. Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow,
Spirit of our God most high;
solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner,
splendor of the living God.

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Prayer for Vocations

Almighty and eternal God,
in your unfailing love
you provide ministers for your Church.

We pray for all those whom you call to serve.

Inspire in them a generous response.

Grant them courage and vision to serve your people.

May their lives and service call your people to respond
to the presence of your Spirit among us
that, faithful to the Gospel and hope of Jesus the Christ,
we may:

- + announce glad tidings to the poor
- + proclaim liberty to captives,
- + set prisoners free
- + and renew the face of the earth.

Amen!