

St Domini Savio Children Liturgy

May 3 - Sunday 2020 – Fourth Sunday of Easter - Cycle A

Welcome children to their worship space.

Say: Today is the 4th Sunday in the season of Easter. We will learn about Jesus, the Good shepherd

Ask: Does anyone know who a shepherd is? <let the children respond>

Explain: Sheep are often used in scripture to refer to people. Who are the sheep? <us> When we hear about sheep in Scripture, how is Jesus usually represented? <as a shepherd> Today we are going to hear something a little different. Listen today in the Gospel for another way to think about Jesus.

Introduce Gospel reading

Say: Today's Gospel reading comes from the book of **John. (John 10:1-10)**. In the Gospel today, Jesus talks about sheep and their shepherd. He talks about how the sheep know the shepherd and will follow him and no one else. He also calls himself something else. Listen closely to the gospel reading and see if you can hear what he called himself.

Have the reader begin : A reading from the Holy Gospel according to **John**

Encourage kids to respond: "Glory to you Oh Lord" <teaching them to trace a cross on their foreheads, on their lips and on their hearts>

The Lord is my Shepherd

Jesus said to his disciples: "I tell you for certain that only thieves and robbers climb over the fence instead of going through the gate to the sheep pen. But the gatekeeper opens the gate for the shepherd, and he goes in through it. The sheep know their shepherd's voice. He calls each of them by name and leads them out.

"When he has led out all of his sheep, he walks in front of them, and they follow, because they know his voice. The sheep will not follow strangers. They don't recognize a stranger's voice, and they run away."

Jesus told the people this story. But they did not understand what he was talking about. Then Jesus said: "I tell you for certain that I am the gate for the sheep. Everyone who came before me was a thief or a robber, and the sheep did not listen to any of them. I am the gate. All who come in through me will be saved. Through me they will come and go and find pasture.

"A thief comes only to rob, kill, and destroy. I came so that everyone would have life, and have it in its fullest."

Reader : The gospel of the Lord

Response : **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

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Ask: What did Jesus call himself? <a gate> What was he telling us? <that if we know him and follow him, we go to heaven>

Say: When we know Jesus, we know that he will forgive us because he loves us. When we know Jesus, we will forgive others because we are trying to love the way Jesus did. To build our church, we need forgiveness and love. Which sacrament helps us experience forgiveness? <reconciliation> What can you do together that will show the world we want to be like Jesus? Today, together, think of one act of kindness that will show someone else the love of Jesus. Who benefited the most — your family or the recipient of your kindness?

Lesson learnt today: To show that we have learned about forgiving others.

Gospels :

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EY-q-BJMT_0 – for adults

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ar732X9uO3I> – for kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z83TjsS7Et4> – for kids

Craft Ideas : Sheep making

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fNRsqm-t7zA>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8_gG-g8Os

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VBxAsP_9GXU

Movie recommendation :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LCMLLH4Um-8> – Christian Movie – The Current

St Dominic Savio website

<https://stdominicsavio.caedm.ca/>

Jesus said:

I AM THE GOOD
SHEPHERD



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