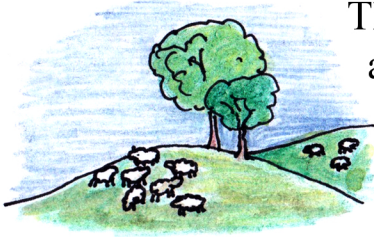


The Good Shepherd



The readings in today's Mass talk about Jesus the Good Shepherd. In Jesus' time, and still in some parts of the world today, there would be flocks of sheep grazing in the pastures. The shepherds were the people who looked after the flocks and made sure none of the sheep got lost or hurt or attacked by wild animals.

The Church is the flock of Jesus, and He is the Good Shepherd. He guides the people in the Church so that their souls will not be hungry- He gives us grace, just like a shepherd makes sure his sheep have lots of grass to eat!

Like the shepherd protects the sheep from danger, Our Lord also protects us from harm. In the "Our Father" we ask God to deliver us from evil. When our souls are hurt by sin, the Good Shepherd heals us with forgiveness in Confession.



Answer to puzzle on front page:
I am the gate.
Answer to Fill-in-the-blanks:
know his voice.

The Kids' Bulletin

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30th, 2023



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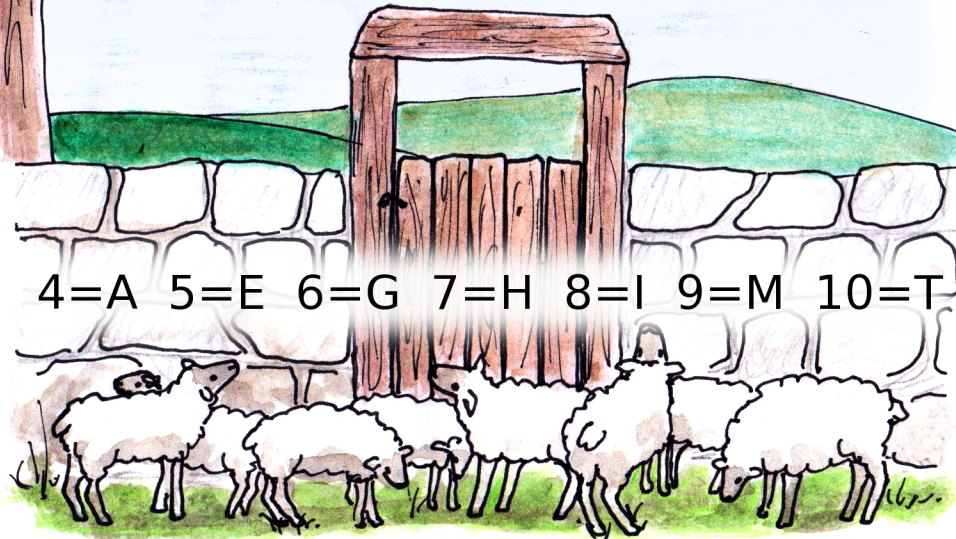
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4=A 5=E 6=G 7=H 8=I 9=M 10=T

What did Jesus say about the sheepfold?
Figure out the math questions
and then fill in the blanks
with the letters the numbers represent.

Saint Hilary of Arles

May 5

HILARY OF ARLES WAS BORN TO A WEALTHY FAMILY IN NORTHERN FRANCE IN 401. HE RECEIVED A GOOD EDUCATION.

ST. HONORIUS OF ARLES, A RELATIVE, WAS ARCHBISHOP. HE GOT HILARY TO JOIN THE MONASTERY AT LERINS.

You should come to the monastery.

Hmm. Do I really want to?

WHEN THE ARCH-BISHOP DIED THE PEOPLE CHOSE HILARY TO TAKE HIS PLACE.

Make Hilary archbishop!

Don't let him leave town!

HE WAS AN EXCELLENT PREACHER AND TEACHER.

What is there to live for but God?

EVEN THOUGH HE WAS MUCH YOUNGER, HILARY WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF MANY BISHOPS.

HE MADE SOME MISTAKES IN HIS DIRECTION OF THE BISHOPS, SO POPE ST. LEO TOOK AWAY SOME OF HIS POWER.

You should not have done that.

ST. HILARY ACCEPTED THE POPE'S DECISIONS AND KEPT WORKING TO HELP HIS PEOPLE. HE DIED WHEN HE WAS ONLY 48 YEARS OLD.

Your excellency, my brother has been taken captive!

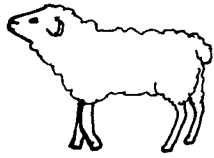
I will find a ransom for him.

SAINT HILARY OF ARLES IS AN EXAMPLE TO US THAT GOD SOMETIMES WANTS YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE IMPORTANT JOBS. SAINT HILARY WAS YOUNGER THAN THE BISHOPS HE WAS IN CHARGE OF BUT HE WAS HUMBLE ENOUGH TO RULE THEM WELL. ALSO, WHEN HE MADE MISTAKES HE ACCEPTED THE CONSEQUENCES.

Fill-in-the-Blanks

The letters in squares fit into the spaces at the bottom.

GATEKEEPER	HIS	THIEF
REALIZE	WILL	DRIVEN
SPEECH	YOU	CLIMBS
ENTERS	AMEN	VOICE



Jesus said: "Amen, _____¹²_____, I say to _____⁹_____, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but _____¹¹_____ over elsewhere is a _____⁵_____ and a robber. But whoever _____²_____ through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The _____¹_____ opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls _____¹⁰_____ own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has _____⁸_____ out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his _____³_____. But they will not follow a stranger; they _____⁴_____ run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers." Although Jesus used this figure of _____⁷_____, the Pharisees did not _____⁶_____ what he was trying to tell them.

The sheep 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12