

Readings for The Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year A)



First Reading Acts 2:14a, 36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter standing with the Eleven, lifted up his voice, and addressed them: “Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the Apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is made to you and to your children and to all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” So those who received his word were baptised, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose;

Near restful waters he leads me;

he revives my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me along the right path,

for the sake of his name.

Though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death,

no evil would I fear, for you are with me.

Your crook and your staff will give me comfort.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You prepared a table before me

in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;

my cup is overflowing.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life;

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading 1 Peter 2:20b-25

Beloved: If when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious in the sight of God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you might follow in his footsteps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit was found in his mouth.

When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Gospel John 10:1-10



At that time: Jesus said: "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, is a thief and a robber. But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying them.

So, Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they might have life and have it abundantly."

