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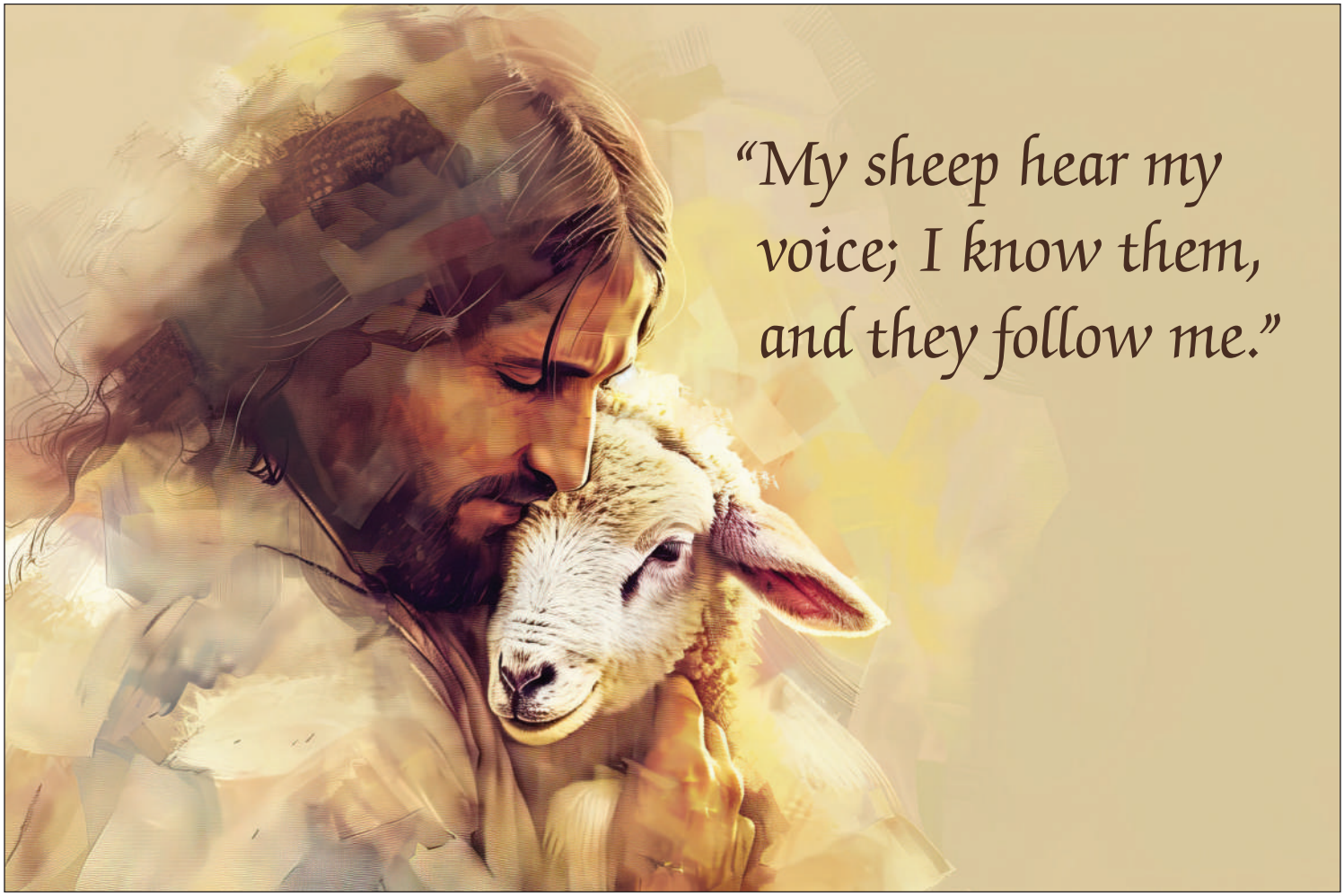

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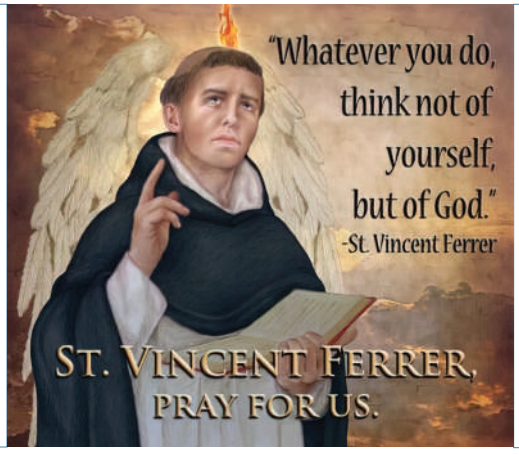

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m.

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Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 11, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, May 10th **5:00 p.m.**
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
Novena to Our Lady of Fatima

Sunday, May 11th **8:00 a.m.**
Mothers' Day
World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
Novena to Our Lady of Fatima
Blessings for All Mothers
Simeon Frederick Parkins — In Memoriam
Requested by Simone Parkins

11:00 a.m.
Blessings for All Mothers

Monday, May 12th **9:00 a.m.**
Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs
Saint Pancras, Martyr
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
Novena to Our Lady of Fatima
Eugenia Jean-Baptiste —In Memoriam
Requested by Armelle Jean-Baptiste

Tuesday, May 13th **9:00 a.m.**
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
Feast of Our Lady of Fatima
Dr. Emmanuel Ford — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Lydia Ford

Wednesday, May 14th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Matthias, Apostle
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
Coutard Family — In Memoriam
Requested by Marie Coutard

Thursday, May 15th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Isidore
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
Anthony and Phyllis Harris
— Thanksgiving and Blessings

Friday, May 16th **9:00 a.m.**
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Saturday, May 17th **9:00 a.m.**
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine
Marc Jean — Blessings and Healing
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Altar Candles
Mrs Pearly Gopaul — Blessings
Requested by the Gopaul Family
Forbes Martin — Birthday Blessings and Thanksgiving
Requested by Claudia Hooper

Sanctuary Candle
Kayleigh Lavelle — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Gloria James

Mary's Chapel
Richard Boucard —In Memoriam

Annunciation Chapel
Rohan Abraham Romain — Blessings and Healing

MASS INTENTIONS

THE MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2025

We encourage you to honor and/or memorialize a loved one, living or deceased, with a Mass, a gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, altar candle, chapel candle or altar flowers.

Requests must be submitted on or before the Friday, two weeks before the desired date.

Place your request together with your **name** and **phone number**, in a sealed envelope in the offering basket.

Please make a $20 donation with each request.

Lectio Divina

Read the following scripture: John 10:27-30

Take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

Scripture Reflection

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

My sheep hear my voice. How do I hear the Lord's voice? How can I be more attentive to his voice?

I know them, and they follow me. How can I follow Jesus more closely? What challenges do I face in my life of discipleship?

No one can take them out of my hand. What people or things draw me away from following Jesus? How can I reach out to those who are separated from Christ and his Church?
After a period of silent reflection, recite the Lord's Prayer and the following:

Closing Prayer

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful song.

Know that the LORD is God; he made us, his we are; his people, the flock he tends.

The LORD is good: his kindness endures forever, and his faithfulness, to all generations.

(From Psalm 100)

DAILY READINGS FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER

Sunday, May 11

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 13:14, 43-52 Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5
Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 John 10:27-30

Know that Jesus is the Lord (Ps), the Lamb on the throne who will shepherd his flock and give them eternal life (2,3). In his name, Paul and Barnabas proclaim the word of God to Jew and Gentile alike (1).

Monday, May 12

Acts 11:1-18 Psalms 42:2-3; 43:3-4 John 10:1-10

Jesus is the good shepherd (2). Through him even the Gentiles have won life-giving repentance (1) and have been invited to give thanks at his altar (Ps).

Tuesday, May 13

Acts 11:19-26 Psalm 87:1b-7 John 10:22-30

Stephen entrusts (Ps) his spirit to the just one (1), the bread of life come down from heaven (2).

Wednesday, May 14

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Psalm 113:1-8 John 15:9-17

Matthias is chosen by lot and added to the Eleven (1). Thus elected by God (Ps), he goes forth and bears fruit (2).

Thursday, May 15

Acts 13:13-25 Psalm 89:2-3, 21,1-22, 25, 27
John 13:16-20

Sent forth as a messenger (2), Paul proclaims the Lord's favor (Ps) in his discourse in Antioch in Pisidia (1).

Friday, May 16

Acts 13:26-33 Psalm 2:6-11 John 14:1-6

God fulfills the psalm by raising Jesus from the dead (1, Ps). He is the way, the truth, and the life (2).

Saturday, May 17

Acts 13:44-52 Psalm 98:1-4 John 14:7-14

Paul and Barnabas turn toward the Gentiles (1, Ps), and thus perform a "greater" work: proclaiming Jesus as Lord (2).

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This Week on Formed

Week of May 11, 2025

The Day the Sun Danced: The True Story of Fatima

In 1917, three children in Fatima, Portugal, saw the Blessed Mother, shared her message, and witnessed the miracle of the sun dancing in the sky. Their faith inspired the world. Experience this miracle in this great film the entire family will enjoy.

The 13th Day

In a world torn apart by persecution, war, and oppression, three children in Fatima were chosen by God to offer an urgent message of hope to the world. Based on the memoirs of the oldest seer, Lucia Santos, The 13th Day dramatizes the true story of three young shepherds who experienced six apparitions of Our Lady, which culminated in the final prophesied miracle on October 13.

Our Lady of Fatima | Brother Francis and Friends

Brother Francis and Sister Imelda tell the story of the three shepherd children from Fatima who saw visions of Mary, later to be known as Our Lady of Fatima. Learn about the courage and faith these children exhibited and how they were rewarded with an amazing miracle!

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Scripture Reflection

Our Eternal Worth

[It] was not the glorification of suffering that characterized the early Christian community. On the contrary, this was a community filled with new life. It was exactly the liberation from death on the cross that came with Jesus' resurrection that marked the meaning of the Christian life for all time. Jesus risen becomes the animating life of the Christian community. The life of Jesus, once a prophetic voice in a troubled world, became in death the prophetic promise of new life to come.

The consciousness of Jesus as the fullness of the mind of God for the world not only changed the Jewish community, it changed the world itself. Now life could no longer be imagined as simply a brief and empty moment on the world stage, largely without consequence, wholly without meaning. The life of the Jesus we follow had been brief—and world shaking. It was, if anything, a sign to us of our own place in the scheme of things, in the order of the universe, in the economy of salvation. Now, it was clear, every capacity for good, every effort of anyone, every breath of every human being had significance. Now, we saw in Jesus, the grave was not the end, God was not remote, life was not purposeless, and the individual was not nothing.

The life and death of Jesus gave promise of the deliverance of the human condition. Because Jesus lived the very life we live, He identified with the eternal worth and lasting import of every single one of us. Jesus' life on earth was the thunderous acclamation of a living God that every hair on the human head was not only counted but it had meaning. It was precious to its Maker. It had a purpose beyond itself. Now it became obvious: if the life of Christ was to continue here on earth, it must continue in us.

—Sr. Joan Chittister, The Liturgical Year

Joan Chittister, OSB, is the author of numerous books, an international lecturer, and a leading voice in spirituality.

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The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Franciscus

ENSURING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL

The Diocese of Brooklyn has reached an agreement with the New York State Attorney General to enhance child safety measures. This agreement requires updated training for all clergy, employees and volunteers who work with children. The new training is designed to provide valuable information to help adults ensure the safety of children and adults during interactions.

If you are working with children in any capacity, please log in to your account at Virtus.org and complete any of the outstanding training items.

If you have any questions, please contact 718-965-7300, X6076.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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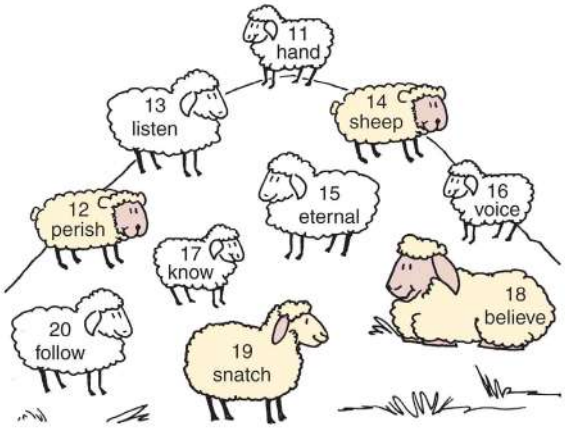
Jesus at the Feast of Dedication

It was the Feast of Dedication. Many people wanted to know if Jesus was the Christ.

Circle 4 things wrong in the picture.

How could the people see Jesus perform miracles and still not believe?

Solve the math problems to find the missing words.



"You do not _____ (16 + 2 =) because you are not My _____ (21 - 7 =). My sheep _____ (9 + 4 =) to My _____ (8 x 2 =); I _____ (19 - 2 =) them, and they _____ (4 x 5 =) Me. I give them _____ (3 x 5 =) life, and they shall never _____ (3 x 4 =); no one can _____ (22 - 3 =) them out of My _____ (21 - 10 =)."

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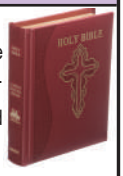

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