

# S<sup>+</sup>Mary's Church Wexham

21 April , 2024, Fourth Sunday of Easter



## SERVICES

### TODAY

8am Holy Communion, ( Revd Andrew Parry )  
10am – Holy Communion, ( Revd Andrew Parry )  
10am – Young Church in hall

### **Services this week**

Wednesday – Morning Praise at The Pines  
Thursday – Service for residents at Oak House

### Next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April

8am – Holy Communion  
10am – Holy Communion  
10am – Young Church in hall  
11.30am – Wholeness and Healing

Hymns for today: 293 , 490 , 227, S34

## INTERCESSIONS

Our prayers have been asked for Jo R, Charles F, Hazel B, Michael, Malcolm W, Jane A, Janine J, Julie M, Samantha.

## COLLECT

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.

## READINGS

### *The LORD Is my Shepherd - A Psalm of David.*

**23** The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures.  
He leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup> He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness<sup>[b]</sup>  
for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
for ever.

## John 10:11-18

**<sup>11</sup> I am the good shepherd.  
The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.**

<sup>12</sup> He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

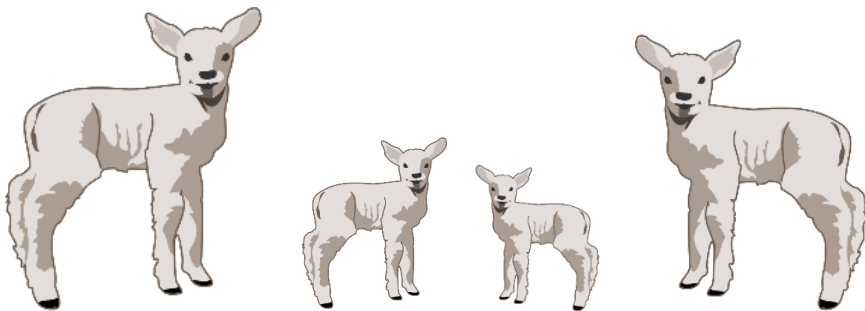
<sup>13</sup> He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

<sup>14</sup> I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup> just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

<sup>16</sup> And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

<sup>17</sup> For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again.

<sup>18</sup> No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”



## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father,  
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,  
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:  
keep us always under his protection,  
and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**YOUNG CHURCH** - Today we will hear about Jesus being a good shepherd through the story of The Three Little Pigs. There will be sheep crafts to do, hide the sheep game and a sheep relay

### MEETINGS:-

**Tuesday, 10.30am** – Bible Study Home Group

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2pm**, Deanery chapter on zoom

**Saturday, from 10.30am - Community Hub in the hall, all welcome.**

### NOTICES

**A.P.C.M. TODAY IN HALL AFTER COFFEE** the Annual Church Meeting takes place in the hall after 10am service. We do hope you will be able to stay and hear what your church has been doing over the last year, and our plans for the future.

**BINGO tomorrow – 7.30pm for 7.45pm start – all welcome.**

**Next Sunday, 11.30am** service of Wholeness and Healing in church,.



