

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Good Shepherd Sunday

YEAR C

11<sup>TH</sup> May 2025: Mass Time

Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	11:00 AM	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Good Shepherd Sunday)	Jan Juchaniewicz +
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	9:30 AM	MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA	Janet Bicheno +
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	11:00 AM	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Jozefa Sobieralska +

# St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wroughton

We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting us for the first time.

We pray for God's special blessing on you.

We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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<b>Readings</b>	: <b>Sunday Mass Cycle C: Easter Week 4 Year 1.</b>
<b>Eucharistic Prayer</b>	: <b>Psalter 4 (or at Priest Choice)</b>
<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia
<b>First Reading</b>	: Acts 13:14, 43-52
<b>Psalm Response</b>	: <b>We are his people, the sheep of his flock.</b>
<b>Second Reading</b>	: Revelation 7:9, 13, 14-17
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	: <b>Alleluia, alleluia. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord. I know my sheep and my own know me. Alleluia.</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	: John 10:27-30
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia,



## GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

*“The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.”*

*-Luke 10:2*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please feel free to contact Fr. Nnam Di Obi to arrange confession

**If Father Obi is not available and a priest is required urgently, please call:**

St. Mary's: 01793 535089

Holy Rood: 01793 522062

St. Peter's: 01793871167

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### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Behold, we are turning to the Gentiles.

#### Reading

The Lamb will be their shepherd and will guide them to springs of living water.

#### Gospel

I give eternal life to my sheep.

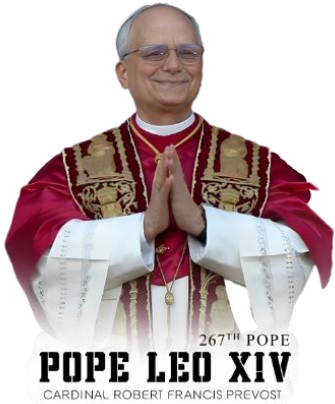
Paul and Barnabas are good example of missionaries. A true missionary doesn't give up in time of challenges and great persecution. They don't run away and leave the sheep vulnerable.

But then they know when to leave, for a moment, and turn to another sheepfold, where they are most needed. In the text of this Sunday, Paul and Barnabas decided to turn to the pagans, since the original audience of the good news wouldn't appreciate it.

The impossible number of heavenly inhabitants of John's vision couldn't have been possible if true and dedicated missionaries were not called, nurtured and sent, even to the pagans.

The good news we carry is our missionary mandate. This mission starts from where we are, but not limited to our immediate environment.

It is Good Shepherd Sunday. Vocations Sunday. It is very significant that, at this moment, God has chosen for us, Pope Leo XIV, to be our shepherd. Would you hear the voice of the Master calling and saying, "Go out to the whole world, proclaim the good news."



*With Joy and gratitude, We welcome Our  
New Holy Father,  
Pope LEO XIV.*

*"We cannot build a just society if we disregard the  
weakest, whether the child in the womb or the  
elderly in their frailty - for they are both gifts from  
God." -Pope Leo XIV.*

**SECOND COLLECTION this SUNDAY MAY 11<sup>th</sup> is for the CLERGY TRAINING FUND.**

**CONFIRMATION 2025:** The Sacrament of Confirmation is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 7:00pm. Please keep them in your prayers.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** We congratulate the Communicants who make their First Holy Communion this weekend, and we thank the Catechists, Volunteers, Altar Servers, Children's Choir, Parents, and all who assisted our children to receive our Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

**IMPORTANT - DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** On **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2025**, we will be holding our **Annual Cream Teas**, Tabletop Sale and Tombola in aid of the Prospect Hospice. So please start collecting tabletop articles and/or Tombola prizes! (Box for donations in porch).

**BIBLE ALIVE: Easter to Pentecost** - meets every **Wednesday at 2:30 pm in the Parish Room**, and all are welcome to join us on a journey through the disciples' encounters with the Risen Jesus. From Easter to Pentecost, we'll reflect on moments such as the empty tomb, the road to Emmaus, the upper room, the Great Commission, and the Ascension — leading up to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Whether you're a regular or a first-timer, we'd love to welcome you. For more details, **contact Diana on 0781 394 0076.**

**ENCOUNTER 2025-** On Saturday 3rd May, over 200 people gathered at Clifton Diocese for the official launch of Encounter 2025 — a diocesan-wide initiative running from Eastertide to Pentecost. The event brought together the whole Church family, with tailored sessions for children and young people. Encounter 2025 continues this Wednesday, don't miss the opportunity to be part of this powerful move of the Holy Spirit.

On Sat 7<sup>th</sup> June there will be a Pentecost vigil also at the Cathedral. The talks will be live streamed from the Cathedral and available afterwards on social media. **For more information about the talks and some internationally known speakers go to Encounter on the Clifton Diocese Website or call Diana on 0781 394 0076.**

**AND COFFEE AFTER MASS:** Tea & Coffee will be served in the Parish Hall after Sunday Mass.

**PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS**

Account Holder	Clifton Diocese
Account Number	66287375
Sort Code	52-10-03

**PARKING:** At busy times, such as Sunday Mass, do consider parking in the free public car park in the Ellendune Centre, when the Church car park is full. Please keep the roads and pavements near the Church clear and avoid blocking people's residence and shops.

**Anniversaries:** We pray for the dead, and those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Diocesan Prayer Link:** *St George, Warminster.*

**A Message from His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV:** Peace be with you. Dearest brothers and sisters, this was the first greeting of the Risen Christ—the Good Shepherd who gave His life for the flock of God. In the spirit of that sacred greeting, I, too, wish for this peace to enter your hearts, to reach your homes and families, and to embrace all people, wherever they may be. To all nations, to every community, and to the whole earth, I proclaim once more: Peace be with you..