

## **Gospel of John – Post #06**

Fourth Sunday of Easter- 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020

A reading from the Gospel of John

### **I am the gate of the sheepfold**

*Today is the Fourth Sunday of Easter, I will read/sign the Gospel of John:*

One day Jesus said,

“I tell you the truth, the one who comes into the sheepfold through the gate is the shepherd. But anyone who tries to climb in some other way, must be a thief and a robber. The sheep hear the shepherd’s voice when he calls each one by name. He leads them out, and they follow him because they know his voice.

The sheep will not follow the voice of a stranger but will run away. The thief comes only to kill and destroy.

I came so that you will have life—a full and happy life.”

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

## **Gospel Reflection – Post #06**

### **I am the gate of the sheepfold**

I will sign for Father Wayne Edwards our chaplain's reflection for this Sunday's gospel of the Good Shepherd:

Jesus is our Good Shepherd who always takes care of us like the shepherd who protects his own sheep away from danger and pain.

Compassion is not learned without suffering. Compassion means we can feel for others suffering. If we do not know how to feel others suffering, we cannot understand what compassion means.

If we walk in darkness, we can't help wanderers to find their way. How can we help others? By reaching out to others, we then are healed.

Jesus bore the marks of our violent world on His body. Those wounds were the proof of His love. They were the mortal wounds the Good Shepherd picked up in caring for His sheep. The wounds of Jesus are a source of consolation, courage and hope to us in our sufferings. By His wounds we are healed. In this time of uncertainty and crisis may we follow the example of the Good Shepherd and be there for one another, if not physically then prayerfully and spiritually.

God bless you from Fr. Wayne.