

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year C) Sunday 8 May 2022

## **FAMILY RESOURCES**

# **SHEEPDOG**

**THE GOSPEL READING FOR THIS WEEK IS: The good shepherd  
(John 10: 22-30)**

*Core extract from the Gospel (John 10: 27-30); for reflection throughout the week)*

Jesus said, 'My sheep hear my voice.  
I know them, and they follow me.  
I give them eternal life, and they will never perish.  
No one will snatch them out of my hand.  
What my Father has given me is greater than all else,  
and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.  
The Father and I are one.'

*Gospel prayer (for use throughout the week)*

Risen Lord,  
you are the good shepherd  
and we are your sheep.  
Teach us to know you,  
as well as you know us,  
that we may dwell safely in your fold;  
now and always.  
Amen.



*Things to think about*

- Have you ever watched a shepherd and sheepdog working together?
- Where else are shepherds mentioned in the Bible?
- Can you think of other people who work with and look after animals?

*Things to do*

- Hide cotton wool balls around your house and garden and see who can collect the most in one minute.
- Shepherd and sheep blindfold game
  - One person is the sheep dog and everyone else is a sheep. The sheep need to be blindfolded and spread out around the shape.
  - The Sheepdog needs to round up all the sheep and take them back to the sheep pen.
  - The sheepdog must give instructions to the sheep by using one word at a time.
  - The sheep must 'baa' in response to the shepherd.
- Wink detective game
  - Sit in a circle.
  - Choose one person to be the sheepdog/shepherd and send them out of the room.
  - The remaining people close their eyes and one is chosen to be the wolf.
  - Everyone opens their eyes and the sheepdog returns to the room.
  - The wolf then tries to eat the sheep by winking at them.
  - If a sheep is winked at, they must "baa" and fall down.
  - The sheepdog has three guesses to decide who is the wolf.

Why not share your creations with us? We would love to see what you have been up to!  
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