May 03
Fourth Sunday of Easter

My Church - A Stewardship Prayer

My Parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is: It will be friendly ... if I am. It will be holy ... if I am. Its pews will be filled ... if I help to fill them. It will do great work ... if I work. It will be prayerful ... if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into worship if I invite and bring them.

It will be a Parish of faith and love ... if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things I want my church to be. With God's help, let us be Christ for others as Christ is for us.

Amen

The King of Love, My Shepherd Is  HENRY WILLIAMS BAKER

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness fails me never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow with gentle care he leads me, and where the verdant pastures grow, with heav'nly food he feeds me.

And so through all the length of days Your goodness fails me never: Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise within your house forever.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the holy one, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.
Like a Shepherd

BOB DUFFORD SJ

Like a shepherd he feeds his flock
and gathers the lambs in his arms,
holding them carefully
close to his heart,
leading them home.

I myself will shepherd them,
for others have led them astray.
The lost I will rescue
and heal their wounds
and pasture them, giving them rest.

Like a shepherd he feeds his flock
and gathers the lambs in his arms,
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Come unto me
if you are heavily burdened,
and take my yoke
upon your shoulders.
I will give you rest.

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Prayers of the Faithful

O Lord, hear our prayer.
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Good Shepherd of my soul, come dwell within me;
take all I am and mould Your likeness in me.
Before the cross of Christ, this is my sacrifice:
a life laid down and ready to follow.
The troubled find their peace in true surrender;
the pris’ners their release from chains of anger.
In springs of living grace I find a resting place
to rise refreshed and ready to follow.
I’ll walk this narrow road with Christ before me,
where thorns and thistles grow and cords ensnare me.
Though doubted and denied, He never leaves my side,
but lifts my head and calls me to follow.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heav’n and earth
are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your
resurrection until you come again.

Amen, amen, amen!

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world:
have mercy, have mercy on us.

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have mercy, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world:
grant us, grant us peace.

Good Shepherd Of My Soul

FIONAN DE BARRA ZARAGOZABET

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Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Jesus Is Risen

Jesus is risen! Let us sing! Praise to the everliving King!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him in song, ye Seraphim!
Praise him with joy, ye Cherubim!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

To God the Father let us sing,
To God the Son, our risen King!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

And equally let us adore The Holy Spirit evermore!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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