

Fourth Sunday of Easter (21 April 2024)
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

1. We pray for reconciliation and unity among the family of nations, and among our own families struggling with religious, political, or economic differences; and for all whom our Good Shepherd calls his sheep ... we pray to the Lord.
2. We pray for civic and religious leaders given the care of their neighbor, especially the poor, the vulnerable, the young, and the old; that they imitate the care and example of Jesus the Good Shepherd ... we pray to the Lord.
3. We pray for all our parish ministries that promote unity and compassion by feeding, embracing, consoling, teaching, assisting, and forgiving others; for those they serve, and those who join them in service ... we pray to the Lord.
4. We pray for members of our community who serve their neighbor after the heart of the Good Shepherd; for educators, healthcare professionals, social workers, and advocates for the marginalized ... we pray to the Lord.
5. We pray for a greater sense of respect and stewardship of the Earth our home; for all who desire the fullness of life and life's blessings; for all entrusted with our shared resources and for all God's creation ... we pray to the Lord.
6. We pray for our sisters and brothers who suffer from chronic pain, and mental health issues; for the homebound, the disabled, the sick, and the dying; we pray also for
Jim Mahoney; Raquel Soberano Ovando; Charles Vessels; Maria Vasquez;
Kim Van Nguyen; Chioma Nwachukwu; Chuck Welsh; Joseph Fowler;

... that they know God's gracious healing and comfort ... we pray to the Lord.
7. We pray for those whom God has called to himself, our loved ones and those whom no one remembers; and for those who mourn; we pray especially for
Mary Logan—aunt of Bernadette Griffith; Philomena Ryan; Joseph Phillips, Jr.;
Cheryl Weber Newton; deceased members of the Crotty & Kraniak families;

... may they know the fullness of God's joy, and behold God face to face ... we pray to the Lord.