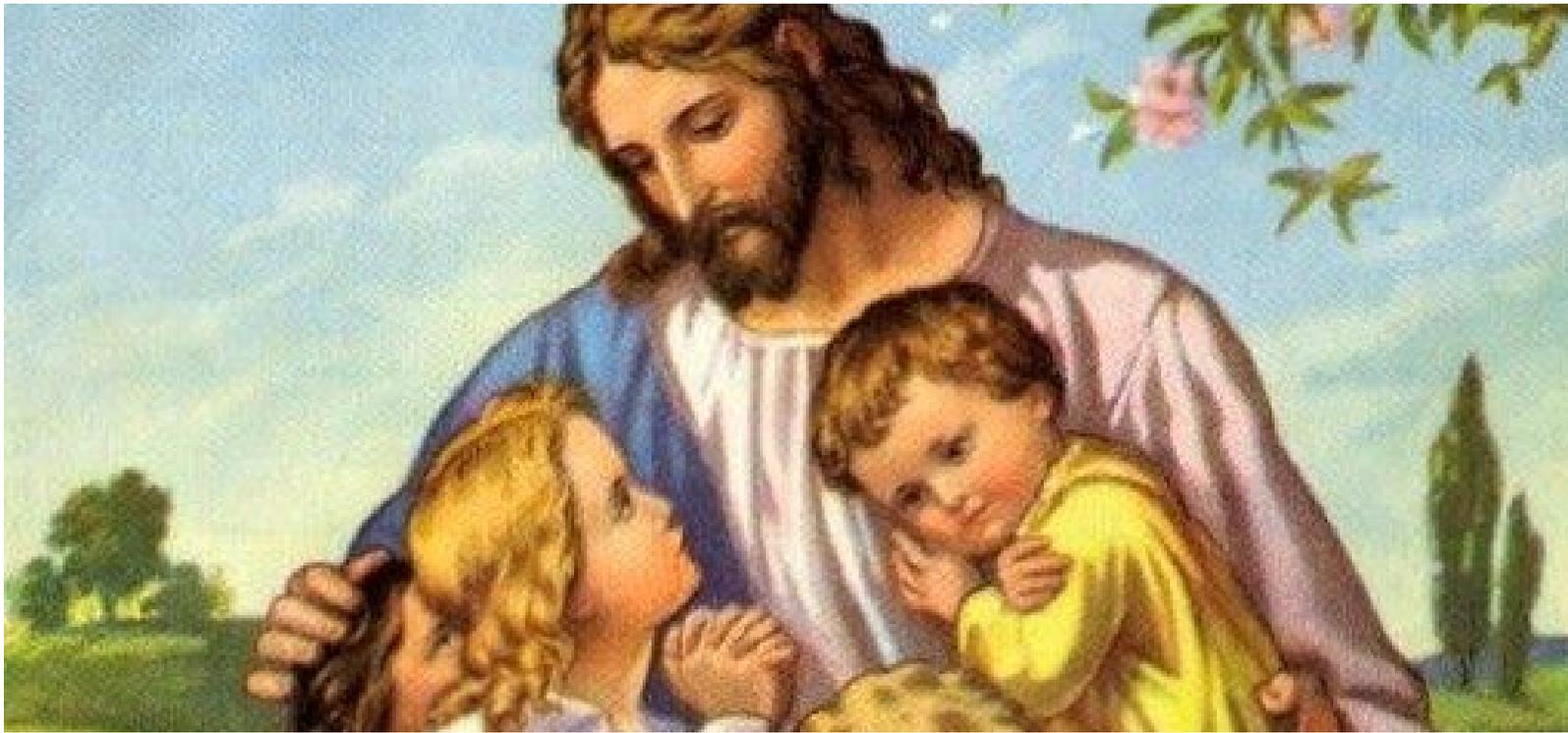


LYNNFIELD CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE

## *Children's Liturgy of the Word*

*May 3rd, 2020*



### *Family Guide:*

This is a guide designed for families to use in addition to our Children's Liturgy of the Word video for Sunday, May 3rd, 2020. Included in this guide are the Opening and Closing prayers, the Gospel Reading, Reflection and Reflection Questions, and Directions for the craft activity. You will also find a resource page for additional activities! Be safe, be healthy and know of our prayers!

## Opening Prayer:

Open my eyes O Lord; help me to see your face.  
Open my ears O Lord; help me to hear your voice.  
Open my heart O Lord; I want to love like you.  
Amen.

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## Gospel Reading:

### **Story of the Good Shepherd**

**John 10: 1-10**

#### **A reading from the holy gospel according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples: “I tell you for certain that only thieves and robbers climb over the fence instead of going in through the gate to the sheep pen. But the gatekeeper opens the gate for the shepherd, and he goes in through it. The sheep know their shepherd’s voice. He calls each of them by name and leads them out. “When he has led out all of his sheep, he walks in front of them, and they follow, because they know his voice. The sheep will not follow strangers. They don’t recognize a stranger’s voice, and they run away.” Jesus told the people this story. But they did not understand what he was talking about. Then Jesus said: “I tell you for certain that I am the gate for the sheep. Everyone who came before me was a thief or a robber, and the sheep did not listen to any of them. I am the gate. All who come in through me will be saved. Through me they will come and go and find pasture. “A thief comes only to rob, kill, and destroy. I came so that everyone would have life, and have it in its fullest.”

#### **The Gospel of the Lord.**

*Praise to You Lord, Jesus Christ.*



## Craft Activity:

**Sheep Craft:** Today we will make a sheep, using construction paper, paper plate, and cotton balls. Just as we heard in the Gospel story, Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He cares for us, just like shepherds care for their sheep. Use this activity to help you remember we are the sheep and Jesus is the shepherd - the one we follow.

Materials Needed: *White Paper Plate, Construction Paper, Cotton Balls, Scissors, Tacky Glue*

1. Take a paper plate and place it right in front of you, bottom up.
2. Using construction paper, make the head, ears and eyes for your sheep.
3. Glue the cotton balls onto the paper plate (this is the sheep's "wool")
4. Then glue the assembled "face" of the sheep on top of the cotton balls.



## *Closing Prayer:*

Jesus, You are our Good Shepherd.  
Help us to follow you today and always,  
by growing in love and care for others.  
Amen.

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## *Family Resources*

- ***Loyola Press: The Good Shepherd***
- ***Catholic Icing: Good Shepherd Activity***
- ***Teaching Catholic Kids: Prayers***