

# Our Lady of Peace Catholic School

**4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter**

**John 10:11-15- I am the Good Shepherd.**

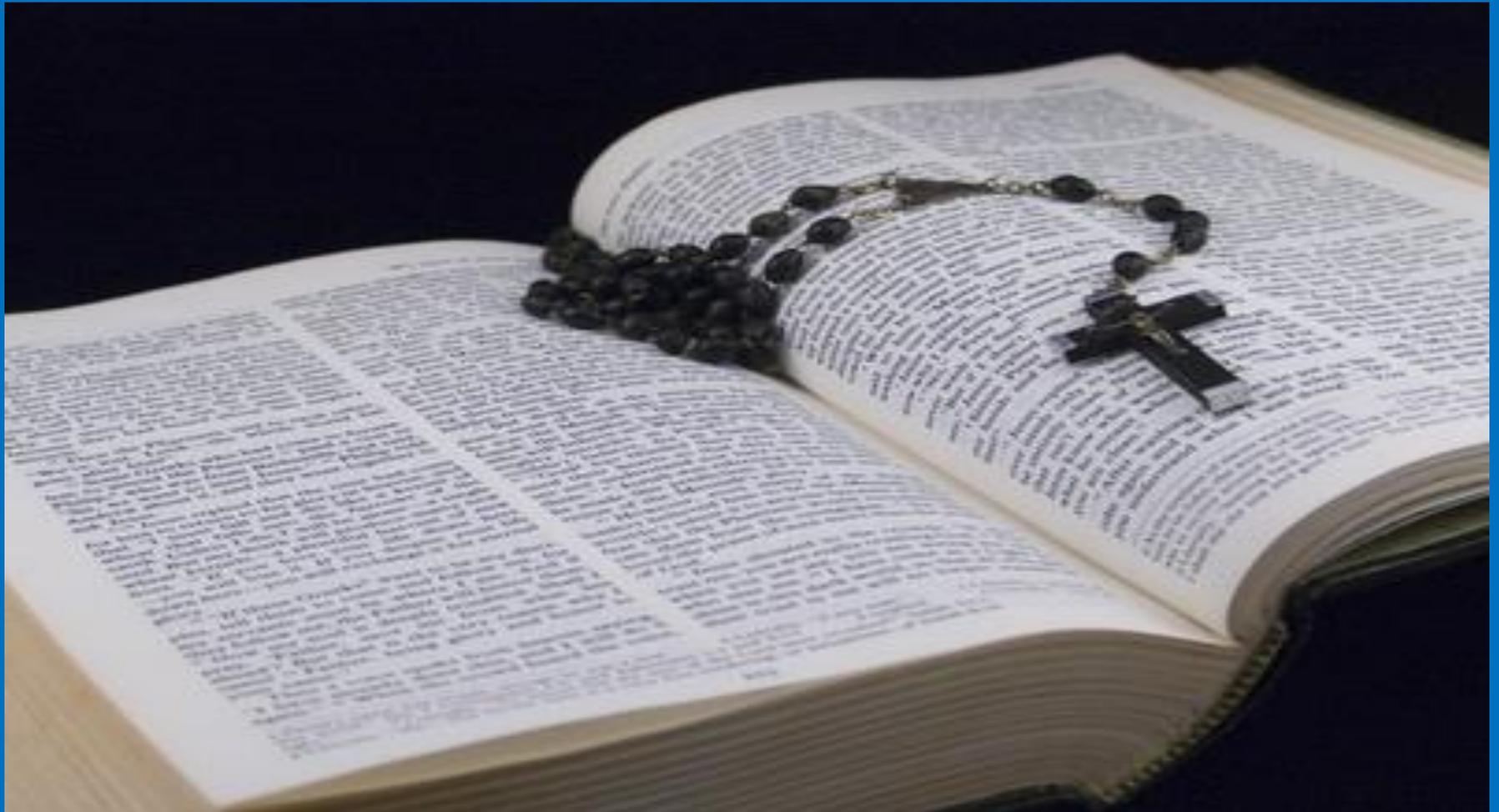


## Gospel John 10:11-15

One day Jesus said, 'I am the Good Shepherd, who is ready to die for his sheep. A man who is hired to look after the flock does not really care about it because he knows that the sheep do not really belong to him. When the hungry wolf appears, the man runs away and the sheep are worried or scattered. I know each of my sheep by name and they know the sound of my voice. They will always follow me and I am ready to give up my life for them.'

# The Gospel of the Lord

## Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



# Reflection



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I would like you to think about what makes a good shepherd. A good shepherd cares for all the needs of his sheep, finding them pasture and water, shelter from the weather and protecting them from wild animals and danger. He watches over them at all times and knows each of them by name.

Jesus was not just talking about sheep, he told this story to make us understand that he cares for us as much as a shepherd cares about his sheep. He watches over us and knows each of us by name. He goes before us to guide us and keep us from all harm. He takes care of all our needs and we can trust in his goodness.

Jesus said he was prepared to give up his life for his flock. Jesus is the Good Shepherd and we are his flock. Jesus' love was so strong the he was willing to suffer and die on the cross for our sakes. His sacrifice meant that we can follow him to his heavenly kingdom where we will share eternal life with him.

# Prayer



Dear Jesus,

You are the Good Shepherd and we are your flock.

Help to know your voice and always follow you.

Jesus cares for each and everyone of us, even when we do not realise it.

Forgive us if we have wandered away from your path and guide us back to your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen