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Office Hours

Horario de la Oficina

Monday – Thursday / Lunes a Jueves

9:00am - 2:00pm 401-722-9054

Weekend Masses

Misas de fin de semana

Saturday: 4:30pm English / Inglés

Sábado 6:00pm Español / Spanish

Sunday: 9:30am English / Inglés

Domingo 11:30am Español / Spanish

Daily Masses

Misas durante la semana

Monday & Wednesday 8:00am English / Inglés

Martes y Viernes 7:00pm Español / Spanish

Bilingual Mass Saturday / Sábado at 8:00am

Confessions / Confessions

Saturday / Sábado 3:30pm & 5:30pm

Baptism / Bautismo

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of every Month after the 11:30am Mass. Please call the rectory at least two months in advance.

Los Bautismos se celebran el segundo Domingo de cada mes después de la Misa de las 11:30am. Llame a la rectoría con 2 meses de anticipación.

Matrimony / Matrimonio

Call one year in advance to begin preparation

Llamar con un año de anticipación

Anointing of the Sick

Unción de los enfermos

Please call the parish

Por favor llamar a la parroquia

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoración Eucarística

Every Friday / Todos los Viernes

9:00am to 6:45pm in the Church / en la Iglesia

Youth Group / Grupo Juvenil

Sunday / Domingo next meeting TBD

(Grades 7th to 12)

Legión de María

Lunes a las 6:00pm en la Sacristía

Comunidad Evangelizadora (CERS)

Sábado a las 7:00pm en la Capilla

Food Bank / Banco de Comida

May / Mayo

Monday / Lunes 22 & 29

9:30am to 11:00am - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Wednesday / Miércoles 24 & 31

9:30am to 11:00am

Hospitality House / Casa de Hospitalidad

Open every Tuesday / Martes at 10:30am

Hot lunch / Almuerzo caliente at 11:30am

New Parishioners / Nuevos Miembros

Please call the Rectory to register

Llamar a la Rectoría para registrarse

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

In last weekend's bulletin, I wrote about the importance of the Sacrament of Baptism, its effects on our new life in Jesus Christ, and the responsibilities of parents and godparents in raising the child in the Catholic Faith. As we prepare for the First Holy Communion of our children in the parish next Saturday, May 6th, at 11am, I would like to share about **the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist** - Jesus in Holy Communion, Jesus truly present in His Body and Blood. The following reading is from **Saint Justin, Martyr**, who lived from 100 - 165 (1900 years ago!). It is from "the first apology in defense of the Christians", entitled "**The Celebration of the Eucharist**": *"No one may share the eucharist with us unless he believes that what we teach is true, unless he is washed in the regenerating waters of baptism for the remission of his sins, and unless he lives in accordance with the principles given us by Christ. We do not consume the eucharistic bread and wine as if it were ordinary food and drink, for we have been taught that as Jesus Christ our Savior became a man of flesh and blood by the power of the Word of God, so also the food that our flesh and blood assimilates for its nourishment becomes the flesh and blood of the incarnate Jesus by the power of his own words contained in the prayer of thanksgiving. The apostles, in their recollections, which are called gospels, handed down to us what Jesus commanded them to do. They tell us that he took bread, gave thanks and said: Do this in memory of me. This is my body. In the same way he took the cup, he gave thanks and said: This is my blood. The Lord gave this command to them alone. Ever since then we have constantly reminded one another of these things. The rich among us help the poor and we are always united. For all that we receive we praise the Creator of the universe through his Son Jesus Christ and through the Holy*

Spirit." These words from Saint Justin truly express what we believe, that Jesus Christ is truly present in His Body and Blood, and therefore, in order to receive Him at Mass, we should be living in the state of grace (free from serious/mortal sin in our lives) - in "communion" with Him. To prepare for their First Holy Communion, all of the children received the Sacrament of Confession to have their sins forgiven by Jesus. May we follow their example. God Bless!

Fr. Sistare

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>	
<u>Saturday April 29</u>	<u>4:30pm</u>
+Ana Goncalves, by Adelina Goncalves	
<u>Sunday April 30</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
+Colette Robichaud, by Arthur & Carol Costa	
<u>Monday May 1</u>	<u>8:00am</u>
+All Souls in Purgatory, by Margarita Zuleta	
<u>Wednesday May 3</u>	<u>8:00am</u>
<u>Saturday May 6</u>	<u>8:00am</u>
<u>Bilingual Mass</u>	
<u>Vigil Mass</u>	<u>4:30pm</u>
+David Studer, by Judy Studer	
<u>Sunday May 7</u>	<u>9:30am</u>

<u>Collection</u> 4/23	\$2996.00
Fuel/Maintenance	\$2673.00
<u>Second Collection</u>	
May 14	Fuel/Maintenance

<u>Sanctuary Lamp for May</u>
For Donald Theroux
By Gail Theroux

<u>WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS</u>
For the following parishioners:
<u>Jeanne Jugan Residence:</u> Florence Corneau, Jeannine Rondeau & Annette Tetreault
<u>At Home:</u> Jovina De Barros & Joyce Lagasse
<u>St. Antoine:</u> Georgette Smith
<u>Elmhurst Nursing Home:</u> Cesar Zuleta Sr.
<u>Smithfield Woods:</u> Thelma La Rose

PROMISE-KEEPERS

“You must reform and be baptized, each one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ.”

—**Acts 2:38** **“Those who accepted his message were baptized; some three thousand were added that day.”** —**Acts 2:41**

Three weeks ago, at Easter Sunday Mass, the Church led us to renew our baptismal promises. We prepared for this renewal by forty days of Lenten penance through almsgiving, prayer, and fasting (see Mt 6:3, 6, 17). The Lord wants these baptismal promises to be the center of our year and the foundation of our life in Him.

How aware (see Rm 6:3) are you of having renewed your baptismal promises three weeks ago? Have you turned off the TV and set down your phone after remembering you had rejected all of Satan’s empty promises? Have you decided not to buy something because you had rejected all of Satan’s works? When you are tempted to be manipulated by fear, do you resist because you believe God is your Father? (see Is 41:13) Has your faith in Jesus’ lordship affected your decision-making? Has your belief in the Holy Spirit noticeably affected your lifestyle?

On Easter Sunday, when we renewed our baptismal promises, we repented from all our sins, accepted Jesus as Savior, Lord, and God, sold all that we had to enter God’s kingdom (Mt 13:44-46), and surrendered our lives to the Holy Spirit. Now we must keep and apply the promises we’ve made.

Prayer: Father, may I help someone realize what they did when they renewed their baptismal promises.

Promise: “I came that they might have life and have it to the full.” —Jn 10:10

Praise: “I will give thanks to the Lord for His justice, and sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High” (Ps 7:18). Risen Jesus, You are the Righteous One.

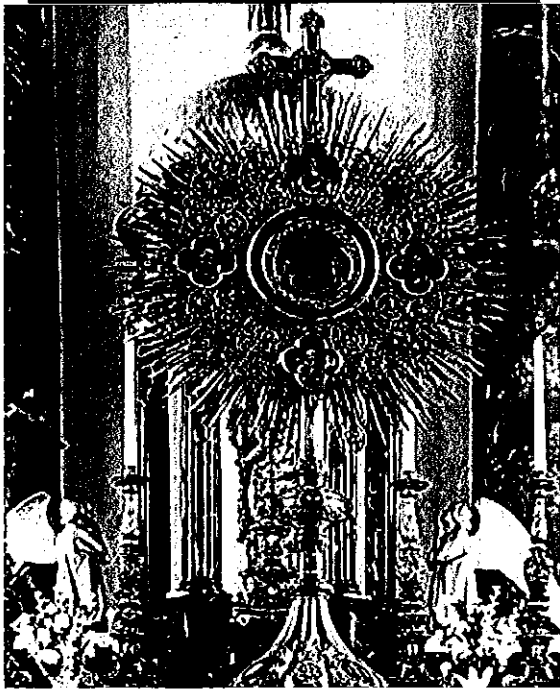
Presentation Ministries

The Saint Challenge began on All Saint's Day, November 1st. It is a year-long series of challenges based on the saint of the day. In 90 seconds you'll learn a little fact about the saint of the day, and be given a challenge inspired by that saint. It could be a corporal or spiritual work of mercy, or something to improve your interior life and your relationship with God and neighbor. The Saint Challenge is free, and you can find more information and find ways to sign up at www.thesaintchallenge.com. Let's be saints!

Pro-Life Rose Sale

Long-stem red roses will be available after Masses on Saturday & Sunday, May 13th & 14th – Mother’s Day weekend. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Catholic, pro-life Mother of Life Pregnancy Center in Providence (motheroflife.org). The Center provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, counseling, client advocacy, parenting classes, material goods for babies & moms, and much more. The suggested donation is \$3 per rose. Contributions in addition to or in lieu of rose purchases will also be gratefully appreciated. Thank you for your generous support!

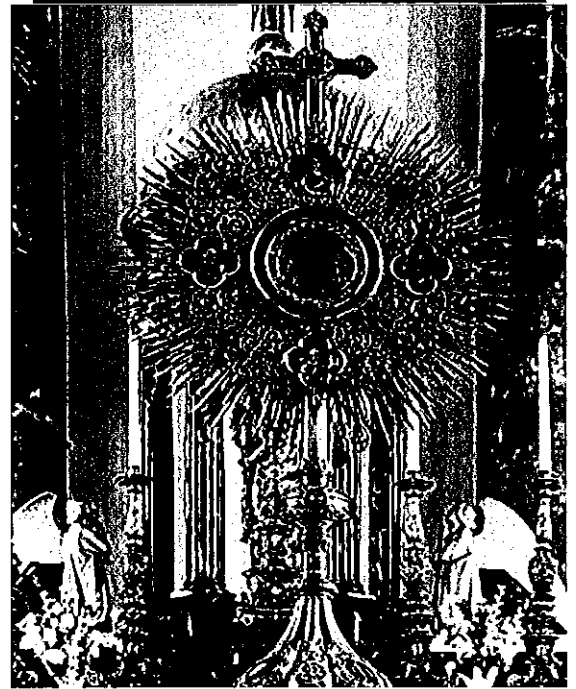
Eucharistic Adoration



Every Friday Time: 9am to 7pm

We invite you to be before the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist to meditate, reflect, and adore Him with your presence. Everyone is welcome. The hours from 1 to 2pm, and from 2 to 3pm are in need of an additional person. Please call the rectory if you are able to make this weekly commitment.

Adoración Eucarística



Todos los viernes de 9am to 7pm

Te invitamos a estar ante la Presencia de Jesús en la Eucaristía para meditar, reflexionar y adorarlo con tu presencia. Todos son bienvenidos. El horario de 1:00 a 2:00pm, 2:00pm a 3:00pm se necesita una persona adicional para estas horas. Por favor llame a la rectoría si puede hacer este compromiso semanal.

Faith Formation Schedule

April 30

Time: 10:15 to 11:20am

in the Church Hall, please enter thru
Bullock Street.

First Communion

Saturday May 6 at 11:00am

Calendario Formación de Fe

Abril 30

Hora: 10:15am a 11:20am

en el sótano de la Iglesia, entrar por la
calle Bullock.

Primera Comunion

Sábado Mayo 6 a las 11:00 am

Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

30 de Abril, 2023

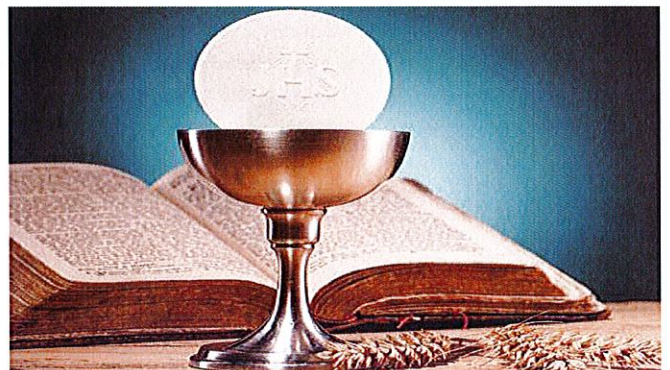
Queridos feligreses,
 En el boletín del fin de semana pasado, escribí sobre la importancia del Sacramento del Bautismo, sus efectos en nuestra nueva vida en Jesucristo y las responsabilidades de los padres y padrinos en la crianza del niño en la Fe Católica. Mientras nos preparamos para la Primera Comunión de nuestros niños en la parroquia el próximo sábado 6 de Mayo a las 11am, me gustaría compartir sobre el **Sacramento de la Sagrada Eucaristía**: Jesús en la Sagrada Comunión, Jesús verdaderamente presente en Su Cuerpo y Sangre. La siguiente lectura es de **San Justino, mártir**, que vivió del 100 al 165 (¡hace 1900 años!). Es de “la primera apología en defensa de los cristianos”, titulada “**La celebración de la Eucaristía**”: *“Nadie puede compartir la eucaristía con nosotros a menos que crea que lo que enseñamos es verdad, a menos que se lave en las aguas regeneradoras del bautismo para la remisión de sus pecados, y a menos que viva de acuerdo con los principios dados por Cristo. No consumimos el pan y el vino eucarísticos como si fueran comida y bebida ordinaria, porque se nos ha enseñado que, así como Jesucristo nuestro Salvador se hizo hombre de carne y hueso por el poder de la Palabra de Dios, así también la comida que nuestra carne y sangre asimilan para su alimento se convierte en la carne y la sangre de Jesús encarnado por el poder de sus propias palabras contenidas en la oración de acción de gracias. Los apóstoles, en sus memorias, que se llaman evangelios, nos transmitieron lo que Jesús les mandó hacer. Nos dicen que tomó pan, dio gracias y dijo: Haced esto en memoria mía. Este es mi cuerpo. Del mismo modo tomó la copa, dio gracias y dijo: Esta es mi sangre. El Señor les dio este mandato solo a ellos. Desde entonces, nos hemos recordado constantemente estas cosas. Los ricos entre nosotros ayudan a los pobres y siempre estamos unidos. Por todo lo que recibimos, alabamos al Creador del universo por medio de su Hijo*

Jesucristo y del Espíritu Santo.” Estas palabras de San Justino verdaderamente expresan lo que creemos, que Jesucristo está verdaderamente presente en Su Cuerpo y Sangre, y por lo tanto, para poder recibirlo en la Misa, debemos estar viviendo en estado de gracia (libres de pecado grave/mortal en nuestras vidas) - en “comunión” con Él. Para prepararse para su Primera Comunión, todos los niños recibieron el Sacramento de la Confesión para que Jesús les perdonara sus pecados. Que sigamos su ejemplo. ¡Dios los bendiga!
 Padre Sistare

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sábado 29 de abril	6:00pm
*En acción de gracias, intención de Luz Carmona	
Domingo 30 de abril	11:30am
+Por las Almas del Purgatorio, intención de Ofelia Hernández	
Martes 2 de mayo	7:00pm
Viernes 5 de mayo	7:00pm
Sábado 6 de mayo (Misa Bilingüe)	8:00am
Vigilia	6:00pm
Domingo 7 de mayo	11:30am

Colecta 4/23	\$2996.00
Gas y mantenimiento	\$2673.00
Segunda Colecta	
May 14	Gas y mantenimiento



GUARDIANES DE PROMESAS

“Conviértanse y háganse bautizar en el nombre de Jesucristo para que les sean perdonados los pecados” (Hechos 2:38).

“Los que recibieron su palabra se hicieron bautizar; y ese día se unieron a ellos alrededor de tres mil” (Hechos 2:41).

Hace tres semanas, en la Misa del Domingo de Pascua, la Iglesia nos convocó para celebrar la renovación de nuestras promesas bautismales. Nos preparamos para esta renovación durante cuarenta días de penitencia cuaresmal por medio de donaciones, la oración y el ayuno (ver Mt 6:3, 6, 17). El Señor quiere que estas promesas bautismales sean el centro de nuestro día a día en este año y el fundamento de nuestra vida en Él.

¿Qué tan consciente (ver Rom 6:3) estás de haber renovado tus promesas bautismales hace tres semanas? ¿Apagaste el televisor y dejaste el teléfono después de recordar que habías rechazado todas las promesas vacías de satanás? ¿Has decidido no comprar algo porque has rechazado todas las obras de satanás? Cuando eres tentado a ser manipulado por el miedo, ¿resistes porque crees que Dios es tu Padre? (ver Is 41:13) ¿Tu fe en la autoridad de Jesús ha afectado como tomas tus decisiones? ¿Tu creencia en el Espíritu Santo ha afectado notablemente tu estilo de vida?

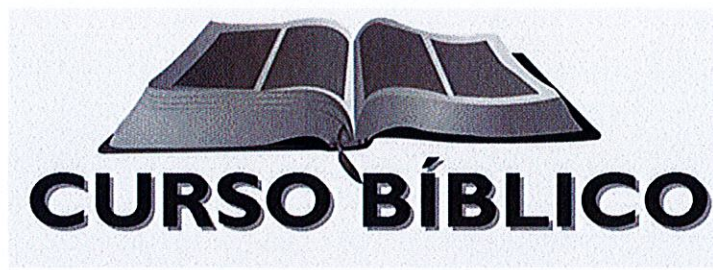
El pasado Domingo de Pascua, cuando renovamos nuestras promesas bautismales, nos arrepentimos de todos nuestros pecados, aceptamos a Jesús como Salvador, Señor y Dios, vendimos todo lo que teníamos para entrar al reino de Dios (Mt 13:44-46), y entregamos nuestras vidas al Espíritu Santo. Ahora debemos cumplir y aplicar las promesas que hemos hecho.

Oración: Padre, permite que podamos ayudar a aquellos que han renovado sus promesas bautismales a valorar lo que hicieron

Promesa: “Yo he venido para que las ovejas tengan Vida, y la tengan en abundancia” (Jn 10:10).

Alabanza: “Daré gracias al Señor por su justicia y cantaré al nombre del Señor Altísimo” (Sal 7:18). Jesús resucitado, eres el Justo.

Presentation Ministries



Gracias a Dios que nos busca y nos llama para conocerle y amarle a través de muchos medios, hoy nos invita a través de cursos Bíblicos, que son un medio eficaz para llegar a muchas familias que aún no conocen del amor de Dios, como cada día Dios transforma nuestras vidas a través de decir solo “si quiero conocerte “. Es para toda la familia todos los **Lunes a las 7:00** en el sótano de la parroquia después de misa, todos son bienvenidos.

Venta de rosas pro-vida

Las rosas rojas de tallo largo estarán disponibles después de las misas el sábado y domingo, 13 y 14 de mayo, fin de semana del Día de la Madre. Todas las ganancias de la venta beneficiarán al Centro de Embarazo Católico y pro-vida Madre de Vida en Providence (motheroflife.org). El Centro ofrece pruebas de embarazo gratuitas, ultrasonidos, asesoramiento, defensa del cliente, clases para padres, bienes materiales para bebés y madres, y mucho más. La donación sugerida es de \$3 por rosa. Las contribuciones además o en lugar de las compras de rosas también serán apreciadas con gratitud. ¡Gracias por su generoso apoyo!

The Good Shepherd

The Kids' Bulletin

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30th, 2023



The readings in today's Mass talk about Jesus the Good Shepherd. In Jesus' time, and still in some parts of the world today, there would be flocks of sheep grazing in the pastures. The shepherds were the people who looked after the flocks and made sure none of the sheep got lost or hurt or attacked by wild animals.

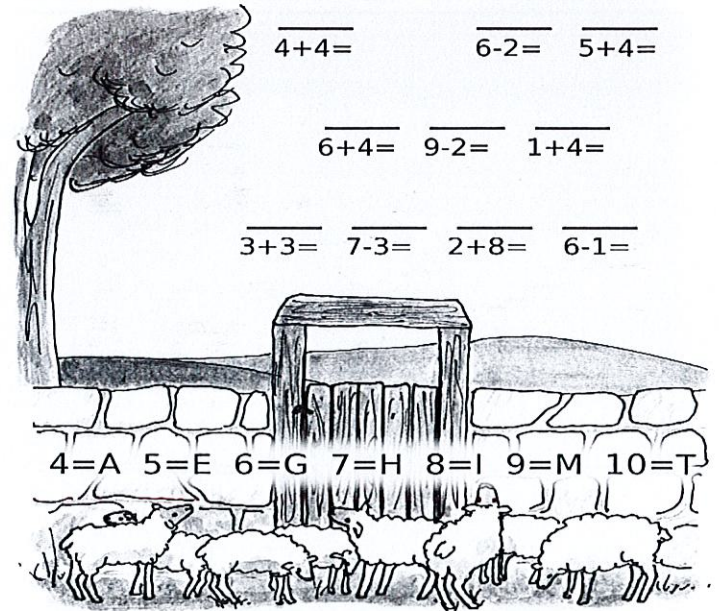
The Church is the flock of Jesus, and He is the Good Shepherd. He guides the people in the Church so that their souls will not be hungry- He gives us grace, just like a shepherd makes sure his sheep have lots of grass to eat!

Like the shepherd protects the sheep from danger, Our Lord also protects us from harm. In the "Our Father" we ask God to deliver us from evil. When our souls are hurt by sin, the Good Shepherd heals us with forgiveness in Confession.



Answer to puzzle on front page:
I am the gate.
Answer to Fill-in-the-blanks:
know his voice.

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$4+4=$ $6-2=$ $5+4=$

$6+4=$ $9-2=$ $1+4=$

$3+3=$ $7-3=$ $2+8=$ $6-1=$

4=A 5=E 6=G 7=H 8=I 9=M 10=T

What did Jesus say about the sheepfold?
Figure out the math questions
and then fill in the blanks
with the letters the numbers represent.

Saint Hilary of Arles May 5

HILARY OF ARLES WAS BORN TO A WEALTHY FAMILY IN NORTHERN FRANCE IN 401. HE RECEIVED A GOOD EDUCATION.

ST. HONORIUS OF ARLES, A RELATIVE, WAS ARCHBISHOP. HE GOT HILARY TO JOIN THE MONASTERY AT LERINS.

You should come to the monastery.
Hm. Do I really want to?

WHEN THE ARCH-BISHOP DIED THE PEOPLE CHOSE HILARY TO TAKE HIS PLACE.

Make Hilary archbishop.
Don't let him leave town!

HE WAS AN EXCELLENT PREACHER AND TEACHER.

What is there to live for but God?

EVEN THOUGH HE WAS MUCH YOUNGER, HILARY WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF MANY BISHOPS.

HE MADE SOME MISTAKES IN HIS DIRECTION OF THE BISHOPS, SO POPE ST. LEO TOOK AWAY SOME OF HIS POWER.

You should not have done that.

ST. HILARY ACCEPTED THE POPE'S DECISIONS AND KEPT WORKING TO HELP HIS PEOPLE. HE DIED WHEN HE WAS ONLY 48 YEARS OLD.

Your excellency, my brother has been taken captive!
I will find a ransom for him.

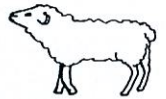
SAINT HILARY OF ARLES IS AN EXAMPLE TO US THAT GOD SOMETIMES WANTS YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE IMPORTANT JOBS. SAINT HILARY WAS YOUNGER THAN THE BISHOPS HE WAS IN CHARGE OF BUT HE WAS HUMBLE ENOUGH TO RULE THEM WELL. ALSO, WHEN HE MADE MISTAKES HE ACCEPTED THE CONSEQUENCES.

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Fill-in-the-Blanks

The letters in squares fit into the spaces at the bottom.

GATEKEEPER	HIS	THIEF
REALIZE	WILL	DRIVEN
SPEECH	YOU	CLIMBS
ENTERS	AMEN	VOICE



Jesus said: "Amen, \square_{12} \square , I say to \square_{9} \square , whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but \square_{11} \square over elsewhere is a \square_{5} \square and a robber. But whoever \square_{2} \square through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The \square_{1} \square opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls \square_{10} \square own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has \square_{8} \square out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his \square_{3} \square . But they will not follow a stranger; they \square_{4} \square run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers." Although Jesus used this figure of \square_{7} \square , the Pharisees did not \square_{6} \square what he was trying to tell them.

The sheep \square_{1} \square_{2} \square_{3} \square_{4} \square_{5} \square_{6} \square_{7} \square_{8} \square_{9} \square_{10} \square_{11} \square_{12}



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