

April 13, 2008

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Amen, amen, I say to you...”

With these words as an introduction to the parable of the Good Shepherd, Jesus is politely saying to us, ***“Pay attention...what I have to say is important.”***

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is calling us to be part of his sheepfold and to inherit the abundance of life he has to offer. We listen to him and we follow him. We are grateful for the abundance of life showered upon us; we are grateful for the guidance and care he offers. His words are always a source of delight for us.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL -- “DARE TO SHARE”

Catholic Services Appeal is the way we fund the programs and agencies of our diocese. In doing so, we support the work of our church and we express unity with all of the parishes of our diocese. **CSA** helps individuals in our parish, in parishes throughout the diocese, and people beyond our church – many people benefit.

Our parish target this year is **\$72,085**. A successful appeal depends on the cooperation and generosity of each parishioner. I ask and encourage you to make a pledge or gift to **CSA** as a way of expressing gratitude to God, and to show appreciation in being a member of this parish family.

Please make a pledge or gift that is reasonable and realistic for you. Every gift helps -- each gift is appreciated!