# COMMUNITY WORD FOR APRIL 2024 (WORD, THEMES AND PROMISES)

# **READINGS (Cycle B, Year II)**

April 7, 2024 - Acts 4:32-35/ Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/ 1 Jn 5:1-6/ Jn 20:19-31 April 14, 2024 - Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/ Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9/ 1 Jn 2:1-5A/ Lk 24:35-48 April 21, 2024 - Acts 4:8-12/ Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29/ 1 Jn 3:1-2/ Jn 10:11-18 April 28, 2024 - Acts 9:26-31/ Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32/ 1 Jn 3:18-24/ Jn 15:1-8

## **COMMUNITY WORD**

As Easter people, belief in the resurrection of Christ is the core of our faith.

#### **ORDER**

"I am the vine and you are the branches...remain in me, as I remain in you...bear much fruit." (Jn 15: 5a, 4a, 5b)

#### **PROPHECIES**

- 1. I am the Risen Lord who gives you eternal life.
- 2. Have faith in Me; My peace I give to you.

## **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. Be a witness of the Lord and testify to His truth.
- 2. Commune with our Lord in silence and experience His presence.

# THEMES AND PROMISES

Week#1 (2nd Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday)

Theme: Our faith in the resurrection of Christ allows us to recognize His loving presence and His enduring mercy.

Promise: "...through this belief you may have life in his name." (Jn 20:31b)

Week#2 (3rd Sunday of Easter)

Theme: Our faith in the resurrection of Christ opens our heart and mind to receive God's word.

Promise: "Whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him." (1 Jn 2:5a)

Week#3 (4th Sunday of Easter – Good Shepherd Sunday)

Theme: Our faith in the resurrection of Christ brings us to shepherd His people with self-giving sacrifice.

Promise: "...they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd." (Jn 10:16b) Week#4 (5th Sunday of Easter)

Theme: Our faith in the resurrection of Christ empowers us to bear much fruit for God's kingdom.

Promise: "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you." (Jn 15:7)