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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled ... You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:44, 48

3rd Sunday of Easter: *The Road to Emmaus* [Lk 24:35-48](#)

Divine Mercy Sunday, we reflected on Thomas' experience and moving confession of faith. Today, the Gospel brings us back to the experience of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus and the unbelief of the Apostles on the first day of Easter. Cleopas and another disciple left Jerusalem frustrated and defeated when they met Jesus. Initially, they did not know it was Jesus and how they finally recognized Him in The Breaking of the Bread.

Jesus appeared to two disciples on the road to Emmaus and explained the Scriptures to them - from the Patriarch down to the Prophets about the Messiah. They did not understand anything not because of the hardness of their hearts but because they were slow to accept revelations. So, Jesus opened their minds and hearts to allow them to see the whole picture, the grand scheme of His Father. When they informed the Apostles of their encounter with Jesus, though this was the second time they heard that He was Risen, they persisted in their doubts. The hour has come to lead the Apostles out of their fears and doubts. He strengthened their faith and gave them the courage to be His witnesses. Jesus set the stage for them to become Easter people. Let us be Easter people by opening our minds and hearts to the ways of God. Let not our selfish, limited, biased opinions cloud our Easter faith.

The Apostles had three years of formation with Jesus. They have seen countless miracles and witnessed the raising of Lazarus. Jesus prophesied twice about His passion, death, and resurrection. Thus, among the Jews, we would think they were the most prepared to accept the possibility of the resurrection. But still, they were surprised to encounter the glorious risen Lord. Jesus had to open their minds to understand the Scriptures. Because of this, the Apostles had two solid bases for the resurrection of Jesus: the physical evidence of Jesus and the inspired prophecies of Scripture.

Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? (Lk. 24:38) Jesus is asking us the same questions today. Jesus invites us not to allow the vanities and cares of the world to sow the seed of doubt in our hearts and bring worries and fears to our lives. What is bothering us right now? Finances? Health? Relationships? Jesus invites us to the Eucharist. Let the breaking of the bread open our hearts to the wonderful mystery of His Resurrection. He invites us to be an Easter people.

Let the Risen Christ calm our fears and anxieties with His greeting: **Peace be with you!** Jesus said: *Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. (Jn. 14:1)* Have faith and trust that God can heal our troubled past and strengthen us for our present realities and uncertain future.

Somebody said: *Growing older means growing closer and becoming dearer to God; having a measure of peace, serenity, and tons of gratitude in our hearts. Let us always ask the Lord to give us that Easter perspective, that Easter heart, and that Easter smile. To be an Easter Person today, tomorrow, or every day of our lives.*

God measures success by our ability to forgive, our willingness to give, our treatment of others, how we live our lives, and the values we uphold - love and kindness for others.

This week's events

Sunday April 14, 2024

- 9:00 am RE Grades 1,2,3,4
- 11:00 am RCIA

Monday, April 15, 2024

- 7:00 pm Troop 432

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

- 8:30 am Adult Bible Study
- 4:30 pm RCIC/T
- 7:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

- 8:30 am SVDP Conference Meeting
- 3:00 pm Chaplet & Perpetual Help Novena
- 4:00 pm RE Grades 1,2,3,5
- 6:00 pm Womens Book Club - GSM

Thursday, April 18, 2024

- 5:00 pm La Pieta Prayer Group
- 6:00 pm Eucharistic Revival

Friday, April 19, 2024

- 5:30 am Men's Ministry

Saturday, April 20, 2024

- 9:00 am Reconciliation Retreat

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday - Saturday	7:30 am
Monday, Tues., Thurs., Fri.	12:15 pm
Wednesday Evening	6:00 pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday	7:00 am - 7:25 am
Wednesday	5:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Saturday	2:45 pm - 3:45 pm

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Monday - Saturday	7:00 am
Sunday	6:30 am, 8:30 am, 10:30 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed for Lunch

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

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MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

WEEKEND MASS

Sunday	9:00 am
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RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Sunday	8:30 am
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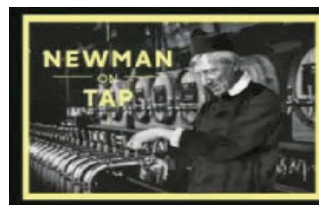
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Sun Valley Rides	Cotton Candy, Funnel Cake, Corn Dog, Icee, Nachos, Pop Corn, Chicken tenders, fry's, corn dogs, chicken on stick
Nikki Sweets Ice Cream & Treats	Ice cream, candy & drinks
Mi Amore Wood Fired Pizza	Wood fired pizza
The Pitt BBQ	BBQ chicken, pork, brisket, coleslaw, baked beans, fries, onion rings
Dog Father Gourmet Hot Dogs	All beef hot dogs & sausages
Eddy Dee Inc	Gyros, wraps, mac & cheese, pulled pork, Philly cheesesteak, SW cheesesteak
El Chavo Lemonade & Snacks	Organic lemonades, aguas frescas, nachos & snacks
OMG Shave Ice	Fruit sorbet, frozen yogurt, shave ice, slushies, floats, lemonade
Taqueria Las Palmas	Meat Option: Steak Chicken and Veggie Tacos, Burritos, Quesadilla, Nacho and Fiesta Bowls
Fried Joint	Chicken Tenders, fried foods
El Multi Tacos and Tortas	Mexican Food



Thank you Sponsors!





Sunday, April 14th

- 7:00 am All Parishioners
- 9:00 am SVDP for those We Serve (Special Intention)
- 9:00 am G Sue Bolich (Healing)
- 11:00 am Fr Samuel Aliba (Thanksgiving)
- 4:00 pm † Alberto Rangel

Monday, April 15th

- 7:30 am Alan Chan (Healing)
- 12:15 pm † Gay Ruby

Tuesday, April 16th

- 7:30 am † Bernard Zapp
- 12:15 pm † Mary K. Williams

Wednesday, April 17th

- 7:30 am Michael and Matthew Hudson (Thanksgiving)
- 6:00 pm † DeWitt Allison

Thursday, April 18th

- 7:30 am † Annabelle Adams & Martin Schwind
- 12:15 pm † William F. Williams

Friday, April 19th

- 7:30 am † All Souls in Purgatory
- 6:00 pm † Kathryn Coback Waldron

Saturday, April 20th

- 7:30 pm † Eulogio Sr. & Lucia Domingo
- 4:00 pm † Kathryn Hobbes

PRAYER IN TIMES OF DARKNESS

Dear Jesus,

When I feel troubled, alone, frightened, be with me. Be a flicker of flame in this darkness. Help me to know you in the stark seasons as I do in times of elation. You are the light I seek.

Amen.

Prayer & Spirituality: Charismatic Prayer Group

If you would like to be part of the first group to use the new meeting rooms, join the Charismatic Prayer Group on Tuesdays at 7pm

All Are Invited

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You know what are some of my favorite moments in Scripture? The little “Easter eggs” of Jesus’ humanity, things like Jesus falling asleep, Jesus drawing in the sand, Jesus playing with kids. And how about Jesus rising from the dead, appearing to his disciples and saying, “So, have you got anything to eat?”

It’s right for us to always keep in mind that Jesus is God. But we also have to remember that he was man. He got hungry. He cried when he felt sad and laughed when he felt happy. He got tired. He got bored.

Because he was God, none of those feelings ever led him into sin, like they do us. He never spent a car ride trying to pass the hours by seeing how annoyed he could make his older sister. He never smacked Peter over the head for saying something really stupid. But he did unleash some Biblically righteous anger on those traders in the temple, didn’t he? And he wasn’t shy about calling Peter “a Satan” when his friend tempted him to take the easy way out.

It’s the tightrope walk we all try to balance every day, honoring our human emotions while still answering God’s call to be better. Being perfect isn’t the domain of the Christian — that’s the domain of Christ only. Trying and failing, then trying again (and failing again) and again and again? That’s the domain of the Christian.

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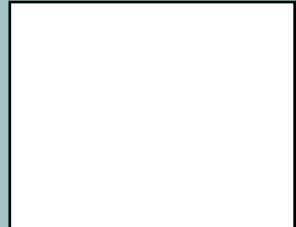
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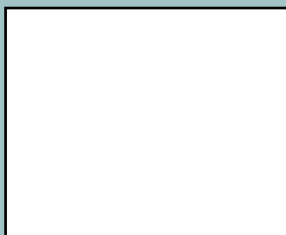



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