

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 15, 2018

You alone, O LORD, bring security to my dwelling.

— *Psalm 4:9*

BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures. Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The God of our fathers has glorified his servant Jesus (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).

Psalm — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

Second Reading — The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments (1 John 2:1-5a).

Gospel — Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you" (Luke 24:35-48).

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$5,645.00	\$4,419.00
Number of Families contributing	139	113
Total Pledge for 2018	\$166,199.00	\$167,136.00
Pledged to Date (14 Weeks)	\$44,331.00	\$43,254.00
Received to Date	\$41,597.00	\$33,998.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$2,734.00	\$9,256.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2018
\$172.00	\$2,798.00

Twenty-one ladies made a contribution last week.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL WEEKLY REPORT

2018 Parish Goal	\$25,705.00
Amount Received to Date	\$3,175.00
Amount Outstanding	\$22,530.00

Eleven people made a B.A.A. contribution last week.

HALL RENOVATION FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2018
\$0.00	\$1,385.00

No one made a Hall Fund contribution last week.

PARKING LOT totaled \$4.00.

21 CHILDREN contributed \$72.00.

The ATTENDANCE for last Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass was 100, and 7:00p.m. 160; Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass was 110.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK Yesterday I went to the ATM at my bank to withdraw some cash. When I put my card in, I realized that someone had left \$500 cash in the machine. I took the money and handed it to the manager.

The manager asked me, "What shall I do with it?" I told him to find out who was at the ATM before me and give to them and then I left the bank. Today I received a phone call from the manager. He had found the owner of the money. It was 92 year-old Edith who had taken out the money to pay her rent. But she forgot to take the cash out of the ATM. Her rent came to \$480 and so as a thank you she wanted me to have the rest. I know that \$20 was ALL she had for the rest of the month to live on. So I refused to take it. I couldn't stop thinking about Edith and her vulnerability. Though very poor she must be generous. Finally, I decide to call the bank manager and I told him to transfer \$200 from my account into Edith's. Another bank employee decided to chip in another \$100. Then the bank staff had pulled together and come up with another \$300 for Edith! My one act of honesty inspired an incredible act of generosity from a little old lady. It doesn't matter how much we give, true generosity always returns positivity to our lives. Give with your whole self, love with your whole heart, and then your life will be full of happiness.

"One small step, one small act will create a ripple. You may not always see its effect from the middle of the pond, but it's there. Drop some Live, some Laughter, or some Kindness into the water, and see what happens...."

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. The Wife and Family of Jack Suedle Carroll on the 19th Anniversary of his death and the Family of Blockey's Shirley in loving memory of her on the 17th Anniversary of her death;
2. The Family of P.A. Sherlock in loving memory of him on the 24th Anniversary of his death;
3. The Family of Kate Hun in loving memory of her on the 7th Anniversary of her death;
4. and a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

THANK YOU to Rowland- Ford Funeral Services for a donation of \$200 to the Church; and thank you to the Young Men's Organization especially Ralph William and Jim Burke for organizing the men's golf event and the donation of \$6,800 to the church.

BLESSING FOR MEN who are going away for the summer will be held this Sunday at 7:30p.m.

THANKS to four members for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite; and a member for a donation in honor of St. Michael.

CONGRATULATIONS to Elite Carroll, Ireland Carroll, Radiance Riley, Easton Sherlock, Embassy Sherlock, John Elvis Sherlock and Kody Sherlock for making the all "A" Honor Roll.

And Honor Carroll, Jax Carroll, Joel Carroll, Kade Carroll, Lacoste Carroll, Miami Carroll, Monroe Carroll, Noah Gorman, Hudson Riley, Patrick Lewis Riley and Britain Sherlock for making the "A-B" Honor Roll.

CHURCH BULLETINS

1. Low Self-Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday 7 to 8:30p.m. Please use the back door.
2. Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
3. Miss Charlene Mason sang "I Will Not Pass This Way Again" giving obvious pleasure to the congregation..
4. Thank you Lord for the many miracles we are too blond to see.

JOKE OF THE WEEK A woman went to a psychiatrist and said, "You've got to help me - my husband thinks he's a greyhound. He eats dog food, sleeps in a kennel and even chases hares."

"Well," said the psychiatrist, "I can cure him but it's going to be costly."

"Oh, money isn't an issue," said the wife. "He's already won four races."

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter

Tuesday: Income Tax Day

Saturday: St. Anselm

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: For the repose of the soul of Winnie Carter Carroll.

Tuesday: For the repose of the soul Eddie Beasley Sherlock on his Birthday.

Wednesday: In honor of the Holy Souls and St. Joseph.

Thursday: For Pete Suedle Carroll.

Friday: In thanks for Edward Joseph Riley on his 16th Birthday.

MY HEART TELLS ME OTHERWISE

Truly, the Lord always gives,
And sometimes He takes away,
But His love remains constant,
Yes, forever and a day.

Now, in my mind I believe
What I want is for the best;
My heart tells me otherwise,
I must put such things to rest.

In my God and Savior's hands,
And just let His Will be done,
Remembering His kindness,
And His blessings, everyone.

Steven Michael Schumacher

READERS

Sat. April 14th, 4:00 P.M.
Christina & Natalie

Sat. April 14th, 7:00 P.M.
Carolyn & Bridgett Anna

Sun. April 15th, 10:00 A.M.

Theresa Maria Cat & Jimmy Joseph

Sat. Apr. 21st, 4:00 P.M.
Skyler & Christie

Sat. Apr. 21st, 7:00 A.M.
Jay & Melissa

Sun. April 22nd, 10:00 A.M.

Miranda & Jimmy Joseph

READERS - WEEKDAYS

Monday	Reed
Tuesday	JonBenet
Wednesday	Erin
Thursday	Skyler
Friday	Karen

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKEND

Saturday 8:30 P.M.	April 14th
Front	Bridget Ann
Left Cup	Winnie Ann

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

April 22nd	April 29th
Pete Man's Nora	Pete Man's Nora
Rose Marie	Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday	Mary Cat
Tuesday	Pete Man's Nora
Wednesday	Ann T.
Thursday	Bibbie's Catherine Ann
Friday	Bridgett Ann

FORGET

Forget who hurt you yesterday,
But don't **Forget** those who love you every day.
Forget the past that makes you cry;
and focus on the present that makes you smile.
Forget the pain but never the lesson you gained

MAN IMAGE OF GOD

Everyone may not be nice... But there is something nice
in everyone ... Never keep a fixed image for anyone...
Because People act differently with different people.

~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

PRAYER FOR GENEROSITY

O gracious God, You who so generously lavish our lives with riches of the spirit, create in my heart deep wells of gratitude that I may share freely of my treasures. Remind me daily how abundant are the gifts You have given me, that I may give without counting the cost, and sacrifice myself, with no thought of reward other than the knowledge that I have done Your will. This I ask in Jesus' name, Amen