

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 18, 2021

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

— Psalm 4:9

FULFILLMENT

It is interesting that during the Easter season, when we do not hear a reading from the Old Testament, it becomes so important. This is particularly true today. Peter's speech begins with a prayer formula familiar to Jews: "The God of Abraham . . ." (Acts 3:13). It likewise contains the potent phrases "Holy and Righteous One" and "mouth of all the prophets" (3:14, 18). Peter was stating in no uncertain terms that the law, psalms, and prophets had been fulfilled in Christ. This is reinforced by Jesus himself in the Gospel passage, when he states that everything in the scriptures (to the early Christians "the scriptures" were what we call the Old Testament) had to be fulfilled. Above all, Jesus and Peter both emphasize that we are witnesses to all of this, and are sent forth to bear witness to it in the world. The Latin *Missae*, from which our word "Mass" comes, means "sent" (as in "mission"). As we leave Mass today, let us remember to be witnesses to all that has been fulfilled in the risen Christ.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).

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

Second Reading — We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one (1 John 2:1-5a).

Gospel — Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day (Luke 24:35-48).

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Offertory Development

Last Week's Collection	\$3,508.00	\$1,830.00
Number of Families contributing	95	71
Total Pledge for 2021	\$161,051.00	\$162,928.00
Pledged to Date (14 Weeks)	\$47,605.00	\$48,150.00
Received to Date	\$43,083.00	\$35,538.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$4,522.00	\$12,612.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2021
\$77.00	\$2,961.00

Twelve ladies made a contribution last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2021
\$70.00	\$73,117.00

Three people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$63,780.00

POOR BOX totaled \$163.00

15 **CHILDREN** contributed \$73.00.

BAA totaled \$47.00.

SAINT OF THE WEEK: ST. GEORGE

We know very little about George, except that he was a soldier and a holy man. He is often pictured in combat with a dragon. If we think of the dragon as a symbol of evil in our lives, then Saint George can be our helper whenever we have to battle with our dragons.

George began as a soldier in the Roman Army, but rose to a high rank because of his bravery. When George became a Christian, he left the army. When the Roman emperor published an edict persecuting Christians, George is said to have torn it down. He was martyred for his faith in Christ around the year 303.

Among the Greeks, George is called "the great martyr," and his feast is kept as a holy day in Greece.

The people of England liked George so much that they chose him to be their patron saint. He is also the patron of Boy Scouts.

Saint George, you understand how much courage is needed to deal with evil in life. Help me to love Christ and to be courageous like you.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. The Family of Winnie Carter Carroll in loving memory of her on the 28th Anniversary of her death;
2. Jay and Family in loving memory of Hody's Bridget Marie on the 18th Anniversary of her death;
3. Mary Martha and Family in loving memory of Kate Hunn on the 11th Anniversary of her death;
4. And a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection next weekend will be for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Please be generous in this collection.

COUNT OUR BLESINGS

- ❖ Our **FAMILY** is our everlasting love.
- ❖ Our **FRIENDS** are precious jewels.
- ❖ Our **HEALTH** is our wealth.
- ❖ Our **EXISTENCE** is a priceless gift.

Be grateful and never forget how blessed we are.

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER SCHEDULE

MORNING PRAYER	Monday thru Friday	9:30 a.m.
EVENING PRAYER	Monday thru Thursday	3:30 p.m.

THANK YOU to a member for a donation in thanks to the Divine Mercy and Holy Cloak; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Mother Theresa and St. Expedite; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Anthony for something found; and a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

GOOD QUALITIES

ANGER comes alone but takes away all the **GOOD QUALITIES** from us. **PATIENCE** too comes alone, but brings us all **GOOD QUALITIES** to us. The **CHOICE** is ours!

COMPANY OF GOOD PEOPLE

COMPANY OF GOOD PEOPLE IS LIKE WAITING IN A SHOP OF PERFUME. WHETHER YOU BUY THE PERFUME OR NOT, YOU ARE BOUND TO RECEIVE THE FRAGRANCE.

BIBLE JOKES AND RIDDLES

- Where was Solomon's Temple located?
On the side of his head.
- Where is the first tennis match mentioned in the Bible?
When Joseph served Pharaoh's court.
- How does Moses make his coffee?
Hebrews it.
- Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?
Samson, he brought the house down.

JOKE OF THE WEEK Three professionals were having a discussion as whose profession is the oldest.

The surgeon said, "That God did a surgery upon Adam and took a rib out of Adam and made Eve, hence the profession of the surgeon is the very first profession."

The architect retorted, "How can it be possible, since God had already designed and constructed the universe and a paradise for them? The profession of architect preceded that of the surgeon."

That's when the politician chipped in, "You should read your Bible carefully! Don't you read that God created the universe out of chaos? And who created chaos?"

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

<i>Sunday:</i>	Third Sunday of Easter
<i>Wednesday:</i>	St. Anselm; Administrative Professionals Day
<i>Thursday:</i>	Earth Day
<i>Friday:</i>	St. George; St. Adalbert
<i>Saturday:</i>	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

MASS INTENTIONS

<i>Monday:</i>	In thanks to St. Expedite.
<i>Tuesday:</i>	In thanks to the Infant Jesus for the sick and the Holy Souls.
<i>Wednesday:</i>	In thanks to the Infant Jesus for the sick and the Holy Souls.
<i>Thursday:</i>	For Pete Suedle and Mary Louise.
<i>Friday:</i>	In honor of St. Anthony for a special intention.

THE ROAD NOT TAKEN

*Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;*

*Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,*

*And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.*

*I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.*

READERS

Sat., April 17th, 4:00 P.M. Julie Ann & Mary Martha
Sat. April 17th, 7:00 P.M. Leah & Dayna

Sun, Apr. 18th, 10:00 A.M Jimmy Joseph & Jersey

Sat., April 24th, 4:00 P.M. Christina & Natalie
Sat. April 24th, 7:00 P.M. Ritz & Savannah

Sun. Apr. 25th, 10:00 A.M. Jimmy Joseph & Jersey

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday	-	Marilyn
Tuesday	-	Ann Rita
Wednesday	-	Cathy Lisa
Thursday	-	Natalie
Friday	-	Christina

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday	-	Cathy Pole
Tuesday	-	Kim Gallon
Wednesday	-	Rosie Cat
Thursday	-	Mary Cat
Friday	-	Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M.	April 17th
Front	Mary Margaret
Right	Cathy Pole
Left	Kim Gallon

Saturday 7:00 P.M.

April 17th	April 24th
Mary Cat	Kim Gallon

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

April 18th	April 25th
Rose Marie	Rose Marie
Mary Cat	Mary Cat

TWO BELIEFS

Almost every successful person begins with two beliefs:

1. **The future can be better than the present.**
2. **I have the power to make it so.**

A SINGLE PAGE

**MISTAKE is a SINGLE PAGE of life
but RELATION is a COMPLETE BOOK.**

So don't loose a full book for a SINGLE PAGE.

GOD IS LIKE WIFI Once a man asked God why you don't fulfill my wishes if you are everywhere...? God replies... I am like Wi-Fi my child. I am available everywhere but you need to connect with me with a Correct Password: "FAITH"

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

A VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

I enter softly this hallowed place and kneel for a moment before Your Face. I know, though my eyes are too dim to see, with pitying love, You are looking at me, so I lay my burden down at Your feet, my sin and woe, and a feeling sweet of peace steals into my restless heart, for I feel I have chosen the "Better Part." I tell you my troubles one by one, I speak of the good I have left undone, of hopes and fears, of each anxious care, for I know You are waiting and listening here. Amen.