

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 26, 2020

You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.

— Acts 2:28

GOD'S PLAN

Saint Peter speaks to us twice today. In the first reading, we hear an excerpt from his sermon on Pentecost; in the second, part of his first letter. Once a frightened, uneducated fisherman who often said just the wrong thing, now Peter is speaking what he knows to be true. Everything Jesus had said now makes sense. His death and rising were all part of God's plan, and our faith and hope can be centered on God.

Today's Gospel tells the story of Jesus' walk to Emmaus with two of the disciples. Frightened, sad, and confused, the two of them don't recognize Jesus, who tells them what we heard Peter say above: All this had to happen as part of God's plan. In the end, these disciples recognize Jesus as we are to recognize him—in the breaking of the bread.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us (Acts 2:14, 22-33).

Psalm — Lord, you will show us the path of life (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Our faith and hope are in God, who raised Jesus from the dead (1 Peter 1:17-21).

Gospel — Through his words and in the breaking of the bread, the risen Christ made himself known to two disciples on their way to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35).

OUR GIFTS RECORD

Offertory Development

Last Week's Collection	\$5,137.00	\$4,922.00
Number of Families contributing	159	135
Total Pledge for 2020	\$167,031.00	\$162,928.00
Pledged to Date (14 Weeks)	\$52,539.00	\$51,768.00
Received to Date	\$52,410.00	\$40,263.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$129.00	\$11,505.00

LADES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2020
\$459.00	\$5,816.00

Thirty-four ladies made a contribution last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2020
\$6,228.00	\$38,916.00

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

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$43,642.00

POOR BOX totaled \$33.00.

BAA totaled \$51.00.

27 **CHILDREN** contributed \$379.00.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Spiritual writers sometimes speak of a "moment of grace." It's a moment when the border between heaven and earth appears to fade for a brief second. It's a moment when, for a split second of time, God's presence touches our lives deeply. It's a moment when, for a split second of time, we are blessed with a faint glimpse of eternity and God's glory. Such a moment graced Peter, James and John at the Transfiguration of Jesus. They were never the same after it.

Can I recall a "moment of grace" —or something akin to it—in my life? What triggered it? Love? Prayer?

While Jesus was praying, his face changed its appearance, and his clothes became dazzling white....Peter said to him, "Master, how good it is that we are here!"

—Luke 9:29,33

Behind the dim unknown, stands God within the shadow, keeping watch above his own. —James Russell Lowell

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE The Banns of Marriage are announced for the first time for Eddie Gerard Riley and Seville Carroll.

The Banns of Marriage are announced for the first time for Tom Butts Sherlock and Taylor Sherlock.

FUNNY CHURCH BILLBOARDS

- *You may party in Hell....
But you will be the barbeque.*
- *Honk if you love Jesus....
Text while driving if you want to meet Him.*
- *Church parking trespassers will be baptized.*
- *How do you make Holy Water?
You boil the hell out of it.*
- *What is missing from CH_CH?
UR*
- *The best vitamin for a Christian....
B1*
- *You are not too bad to come in...
You are not too good to stay out.*

THANK YOU to a member for a donation in honor of the Holy Spirit for a special intention; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Mother Theresa and St. Raphael; a member for a donation in thanks to the Holy Spirit, Precious Blood and St Expedite; and also to two members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

FORGIVE OTHERS

Forgive others, not because they deserve forgiveness
but because you deserve peace.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER: MAY 1ST

This Friday, May 1st is the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. To prepare ourselves for the Feast, we shall begin a Triduum Prayer this Tuesday, April 28th. As usual, Mass will be live-streamed at 10:00 A.M. on the Church Instagram: @StEdwardCatholicChurch.

NEVER GIVE UP
*No matter how you feel,
Get up and never give up.*

JOKE OF THE WEEK

One payday, an employee received an unusually large check. She decided not to say anything about it. The following week, her check was for less than the normal amount, and she confronted her boss.

“How come,” the supervisor inquired, “you didn’t say anything when you were overpaid?”

Unruffled, the employee replied, “Well, I can overlook one mistake—but not two in a row!”

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Tuesday:** St. Peter Chanel;
St. Louis Grignion de Montfort
- Wednesday:** St. Catherine of Siena
- Thursday:** St. Pius V
- Friday:** St. Joseph the Worker; First Friday
- Saturday:** St. Athanasius; First Saturday

MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday:** For Ciara Carroll on her Birthday.
- Tuesday:** For the repose of the souls of Speck’s Bryan and Susie Frances.
- Wednesday:** For the suffering souls.
- Thursday:** For the repose of the soul of Duggan on the 3rd Anniversary of his death.
- Friday:** For the repose of the soul of Pat Raid Riley on the 16th Anniversary of his death.

GOD’S GARDEN

*God looked around His garden
and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth
and saw your tired face.*

*He put His arms around you
and lifted you to rest.
God’s garden must be beautiful;
He always takes the best.*

*He saw the road was getting tough,
and the hills were hard to climb,
so He closed your weary eyelids and whispered,
“Peace be thine.”*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you didn’t go alone,
for parts of us went with you
the day God called you home.*

READERS

- Sat. Apr. 25th, 4:00 P.M.**
Christina
- Sun. Apr. 26th, 10:00 A.M.**
Mary Cat
- Sat. May 2nd, 4:00 P.M.**
Natalie
- Sun. May 3rd, 10:00 A.M.**
Mary Cat

READERS – WEEKDAYS

- Monday - Taneil
- Tuesday - Fallon
- Wednesday - Ivana
- Thursday - Natalie
- Friday - Christina

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

- Monday Cathy Pole
- Tuesday Bridget Rat
- Wednesday Margaret Butts
- Thursday Betty Jo
- Friday Mary Cat

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

- Apr. 25th Bridget Rita
- May 2nd Winnie Ann

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

- Apr. 26th Rose Marie
- May 3rd Rose Marie

SPECIAL BREAKFAST

**A special breakfast for you today:
a plate of love,
a bowl of peace,
a spoon of hope,
a fork of care,
and a glass of prayer.
Enjoy your meal for you are under God’s care.**

FOR OTHERS

Forget your own unhappiness by creating a little happiness for others...

BECAUSE...

When you are good to others you are best to yourself...

JUST REMEMBER...

The things that you do for yourself are gone when you are gone, but the things you do for others remain as your legacy.

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

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My, Jesus I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.