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4:30PM MASS YEAR ROUND

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7AM MASS

10AM HOLY ROSARY &
DIVINE MERCY

11AM MASS

WEEKDAYS:

WED. 7:30AM MASS

THURS. 7:30 MASS

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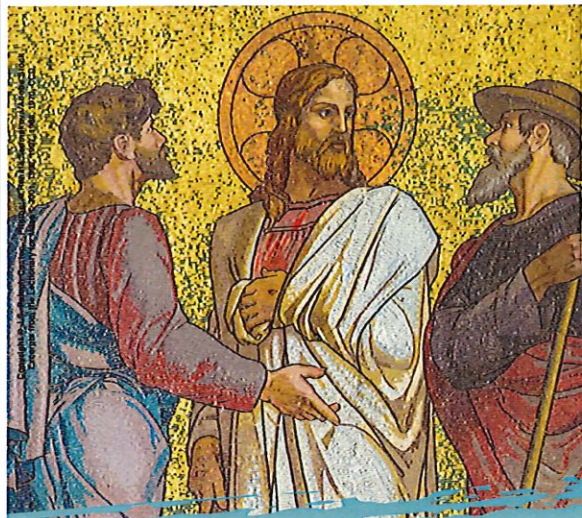
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SUNDAY: 9AM MASS

TUESDAY: 6:15 PM CONFESSION 6:30PM MASS

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THIRD SUNDAY OF *Easter*

APRIL 26, 2020

Were not our hearts burning within us
while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?

Luke 24:32

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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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59, or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
- Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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

We are trying our best to keep as many services
available during this difficult time.



Confession / Reconciliation

Father Bayhi and Father Chuck
will continue to hear Confessions
at 3:30pm on Saturdays.

Father sits in the parking lot as you drive by and remain in
your car. The heat and the gnats have become
a bit of a challenge. So beginning this Saturday,
April 25th, the priests will be available as long as needed,
but once people stop coming, Confessions will end.

*Therefore, if you want to go to Confession,
please come at 3:30pm.*

Sunday Mass

Is streamed live at 9:00 am
and available recorded any time following
the Mass on our website (www.sjb-ola.org)



Weekday Messages

(from Fr. Bayhi & Fr. Chuck)
are recorded in the morning and
available on the website around noon.



The Parish **Offices** are closed to the public. Someone is in
the office every morning to check messages and emails
(frontdesk@sjb-ola.org) to help people in need.
Please leave a message if your need us!

SANCTUARY LIGHT: APRIL 25—MAY 1

The Sanctuary Light at St. John will burn
in memory of **Robert Garcia**.

The Adoration Chapel will burn
in memory of **Shane Bellard**.

The Sanctuary Light at Our Lady will burn
in memory of **Joe Goudeau, Jr.**





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have continued to financially
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Youth Ministry	\$ 90.00
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Priest Retirement	\$ 165.00
Holy Land	\$ 50.00
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OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

COLLECTIONS 04/16/2020—4/22/2020

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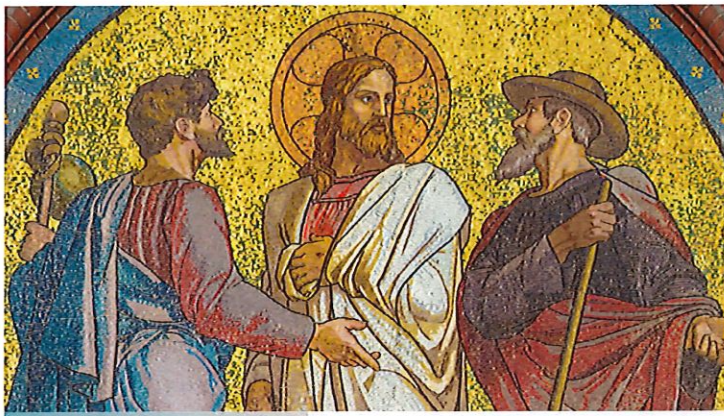


SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA (1347-1380)

April 29

Imagine the pope receiving a young woman still in her twenties who addresses him as "my sweet Christ on earth," then orders: "Get back to Rome where you belong!" Amazingly, Gregory XI complied! Yet this was but one astonishing incident in the extraordinary life of Catherine of Siena, a truly unique medieval woman. Youngest of twenty-five children, Catherine refused marriage and became a Dominican Tertiary at sixteen, cloistering herself at home in contemplative prayer, austere penances, and mystical experiences, culminating in "spiritual espousal" to Christ. Then, incarnating the Dominican ideal of "passing on to others the fruits of contemplation," Catherine left her solitude to care for the poor, nurse the sick, comfort the dying, and bury the dead. Increasingly renowned for converting souls and healing bodies, she was sought after to broker peace during civil wars and Church schisms. All this, and like Jesus, whom she called "my Divine Spouse," she died at thirty-three! Four hundred letters and her spiritual classic *The Dialogue* inspired Paul VI to name her, together with Teresa of Ávila, the first women Doctors of the Church.

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LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

Today's readings look back at both the Crucifixion and the Resurrection, remembering the promise given to David that Jesus would be raised from the dead. The Psalm and First Peter look forward to our lives as we await our resurrection and consider the sacrifice made by Jesus. Luke tells us the story of another experience of the risen Jesus. The disciples unknowingly walk with Jesus and tell him of the Crucifixion and the Resurrection. Jesus himself looks back with them to the promises made to Moses and all the prophets about his death and resurrection. Still they do not know who he is. It is only when he blesses and breaks bread and shares it with them that they realize it is Jesus. Then they race back to Jerusalem to tell the others.

SLOW OF HEART

After the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, two of the disciples hit the road and try to escape all the uncertainty, fear, remorse, and guilt they feel. They feel the same regret that the disciples feel in Acts and First Peter. They meet another man traveling the same road and are astonished when he seems to know nothing about the events that so occupy their thoughts. These events have consumed them, have broken their hearts, have left them downcast and blind to the very person who joins them on their journey. Their companion, Jesus, takes them through their own tradition, through the Old Testament promise that someone just like him would come, be killed, and would rise from the dead. Though they do not recognize him by the words alone, they do not want him to leave. Lucky for them he stays.

IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Despite all the hints, the disciples do not recognize Jesus. They remain consumed with their own confusion and fear and they cannot see who is right in front of them. It is only with the blessing, breaking, and sharing of the bread that they suddenly recognize Jesus. No words, however insightful, can penetrate the confusion and fear the disciples feel. Through the simple act of breaking and blessing bread they recognize Jesus. Even as their "hearts were burning," their minds did not know. How often do we not see what is right before us because we are so consumed with our own worries, regrets, concerns? Like the disciples it takes an action like the breaking of the bread, a reminder of the death of Jesus, his sacrifice, to get us to understand what our hearts already know.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 2:14, 22–33

Psalm 16:1–2, 5, 7–11

1 Peter 1:17–21

Luke 24:13–35

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