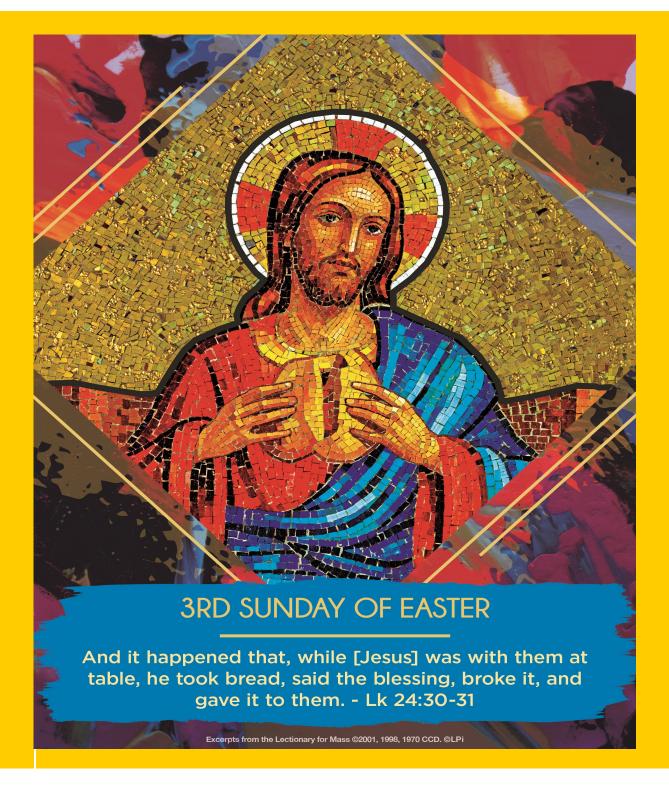


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APRIL 23, 2023 | THIRO SUNDAY OF EASTER



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## **WEEKEND MASSES**

Confessions: Saturday 3:30pm - 4:15pm Sunday: 8:15am - 8:45am or by appointment Saturday: 4:30pm Anticipated Mass Sunday Masses: 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm Confessions: Sunday 4pm-4:45pm

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday Communion Service: 6:30am Wednesday & Friday: 6:30am Tuesday & Thursday: 12:00pm Noon

# SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Suspended for now due to Covid-19

## **SACRAMENTS**

Sacrament of Baptism
Call the Office to schedule

Sacrament of Marriage
Call Office for required minimum
Six Month Preparation

Sacrament of Holy Orders or Call to Religious Life Contact Rev. Michael Caraway, Vocation Director (337) 527-9964

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Any time upon request

# **PARISH STAFF**

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# "So he went to stay with them."

Jesus always has to reveal himself to his disciples risen appearances. They in identify him through their own powers. On most occasions he appears in their midst and offers them Mary Magdalene mistakes him for the gardener, but he only has to say her name for her to recognize him. In today's story of his encounter with two disciples on the road to Emmaus, there is a much slower process. The disciples are first asked to give their account of what is preoccupying them, and with their telling of the story there is a sense of disappointment and frustration. Their hopes had been dashed, both in the events of the crucifixion and the puzzling aftermath of the empty tomb. Jesus picks up their story and reframes it. Where they could only see failure, he now shows them that this is the way that the Christ should suffer and so enter his glory. By this time, their hearts are beginning to burn with the experience of the truths he is unfolding to them. But the act of full recognition only comes after they have persuaded him to stay with them. He accepts their invitation and it is in his blessing and breaking of the bread that the disciple's eyes are finally opened and they recognize him.

We can see our own journey of recognizing the risen Lord following a similar pattern. It is interesting that no historical village has been identified as "Emmaus". It's importance lies in offering us the journey through which we will be both enlightened and enriched. Our journey is the celebration of the Eucharist, in Mass and in everyday life. We come to Mass with all our preoccupations and concerns, and we begin by handing them over to God with our appeal for God's mercy and forgiveness. In the Eucharist we are confirmed in the presence of Christ in our lives. If the word has been broken for us in the homily, in our scripture study, in our reflection and prayer before Mass, this can deepen our recognition of the risen Lord and allow him to transform our lives, like those on the Road to Emmaus. This journey brings about the same mystery within ourselves. become the body of Christ whose sacrifice we have both witnessed and made our own.

Fr. Keith

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

# WEEK OF APRIL 23, 2023

Sun: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8,

9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Mon: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27,

29-30/Jn 6:22-29

Tues: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/

Mk 16:15-20

Wed: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/

Jn 6:35-40

Thurs: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/

Jn 6:44-51

Fri: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Sat: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15,

16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Sun: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10



Congratulations to the following students who received Holy Communion for the very first time this past week!

# OLHC PREP STUDENTS

Aiden Cheek Benjamin Daigle Kenzley Deville Bronson Dupuis Marlee Guidry Brant Guinn Edith Hollier Kaylee Iguess Sarah Iguess Chris'Linn Jones Elijah Peter LaFleur Patrick Purcell

# OLI SCHOOL STUDENTS

Mason Belaire
Harrison Blanchard
Holden Boudreaux
William Boudreaux
Emily Bougard
Jak Bourque
Abram Cassidy
Raelyn Cormier
Ellie Dugas
Andrew Edwards
Anne Edwards

Piper Fontenot Isabella Fruge Brooks Futch Hayes Griffith Owen Harrington Grabriella Kennedy Hadley Lester Marie Martin Aleena Nguyen Adalyn Reed

We extend our sincere gratitude to those who prepared these young people for this most special Sacrament. Especially their parents and catechists; Brandi Cox, Mrs. Becky Reed and Nicole Lanthier.

# **WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

Offertory \$ 7,753.50

Online \$ 1,815.00

Total \$ 9,568.50

Thank you for your generosity!

# **Second Collection Next Weekend**

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

# Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Provost will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at OLHC on Thursday, May 4th at 5pm. We ask that you keep all those being confirmed that evening in your prayers as they continue their journey toward this most special Sacrament.



# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

# **EMMAUS AND THE MASS**

Emmaus might as well be Brigadoon. We hear of it in this one story—and it's only in Luke—and then it disappears. The journey to Emmaus is one of the most beloved stories about Jesus, and yet the town is probably "mythical" in the truest sense. Like so much of life, this story is about the journey, not the destination. Running away from Jerusalem and their fears, probably going home in disillusionment, two of Jesus' disciples encounter a stranger on the road who, like a rabbi, is able to help them understand their experiences using his deep knowledge of scripture. Later, sharing a meal with him, they recognize the stranger as Jesus, and they return to Jerusalem to tell the others. How like our Mass—we hear the scriptures and an explanation of them, we share a meal, and then we go out to tell the good news.

# **HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

# APRIL 17 - APRIL 23, 2023

Mon6:30amCommunion Service6:00pmMen's Ultreya Mtg ICTues10:00amRosary in Church

12:05pm Mass **Wed** 6:30am Mass

7:00am St Joseph Prayer Group

Thurs 12:05pm Mass Fri 6:30am Mass

Sat 3:30-4:15p Confessions

4:30pm Mass

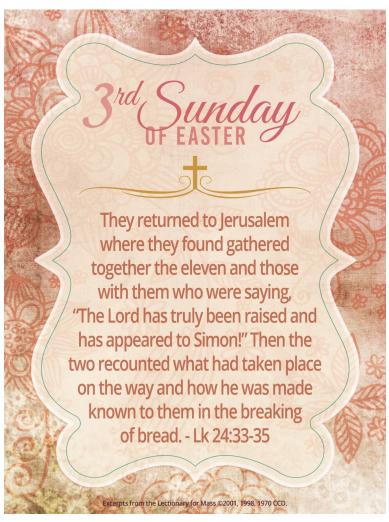
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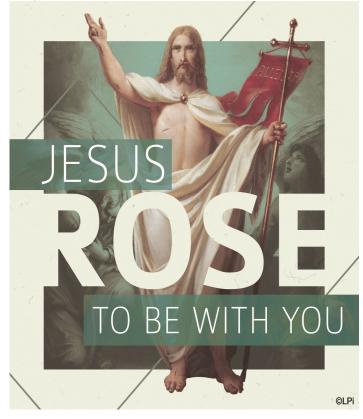




St Louis Catholic Saints invite you and your family to their campus on Sunday, April 30th from 11am - 3pm. Fun for the whole family!

- Festival Food (Hunt Brothers Pizza, burgers, & sweets)
- Festival Games (dunking booth, soft toss, football throw & more)
- Student Performances (feat. Show Choir, Decorated Cheerleaders & Sweethearts)
- Saints Spirit Store (ribbons, Temporary tattoos, tees and more!

Join us for an event that supports every Saint Call 337-436-7275 with questions or visit slchs.org for more info!





# **TODAY'S READINGS**

# FIRST READING

"This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it." (Acts 2:23-24)

### **PSALM**

Lord, you will show us the path of life. (Ps 16) Or Alleluia.

### SECOND READING

Conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb. (1 Pt 1:17-19)

### GOSPFL

And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. (Lk 24:30-31)

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# World Day of Prayer for Vocations

OLQH will be hosting a Holy Hour to celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations on April 30, at 2pm in the church. Father Levi Thompson will be leading the Holy Hour. All are welcome!!



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

## **APRIL 16 - 23**

| Sat<br>Sun | 4:30pm<br>9:00am | Barbara Clement<br>Carita Martin McClatchey, Edwina W.<br>Richert, Alma LeBoeuf, Remy LeBoeuf,<br>Susan G. Daigle |
|------------|------------------|---|
|            | 11:00am          | Universal Church  |
|            | 5:00pm           | Marilyn and Roger Garrie  |
| Mon        | 6:30am           | Communion Service   |
| Tues       | 12:05pm          | Lillian Johnson   |
| Wed        | 6:30am           | lvy Lejeune Bergeron, Roy Richert   |
| Thurs      | 12:05pm          | Robert Patenaude  |
| Fri        | 6:30am           | Sacha Houssiere Patin, Ivy LeJeune  |
|            |                  | Bergeron  |
| Sat        | 4:30pm           | Doris Reedy   |
| Sun        | 9:00am           | Richard Lawrence Ray, Msgr James  |
|            |                  | Hanrahan  |
|            | 11:00am          | Dorothy Pellerin, Roberta Daigle  |
|            | 5:00pm           | Universal Church  |

# SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK FOR

# Sacha Houssiere Patin

# April 23, 2023 3rd Sunday of Easter

I always feel a little sad when someone begins to speak to me with the words, "Father, I know you're so busy, but ..." It happens a lot. And I get it. He or she is trying to be respectful of my time. But it saddens me because a priest makes Jesus present to people in a special way, and Jesus always has time for us. Don't we all feel at times that God just doesn't have time for us?

Nonsense. Just look at the stunning "Road to Emmaus" story we hear this week. It's the day Jesus rose from the dead. And the Risen One appears in disguise to two disciples. He walks with them, chats with them, and eventually eats with them. It could have been hours he spends with them — two unnamed persons — in the middle of nowhere. On the day he rose from the dead!

My friends, please take this to heart: The Risen Jesus is not too busy to spend time with you! He doesn't have "better things to do." You and I are members of this crucified and risen Body. He therefore has all the time in the world to be with us. So, I challenge you this week to approach him confidently in prayer and conversation. After all, being with you and me is the reason he rose from the dead.

— Father John Muir