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WITH JESUS, GROW DISCIPLES, AND SEND THEM ON MISSION.**

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Saturday.....4:00pm
Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am
 10:45am, 12:30pm, 5:30pm
Monday-Friday8:00am
Rosary prayed after all daily Masses

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Schedule varies. Consult the Mass Schedule in the bulletin or website.

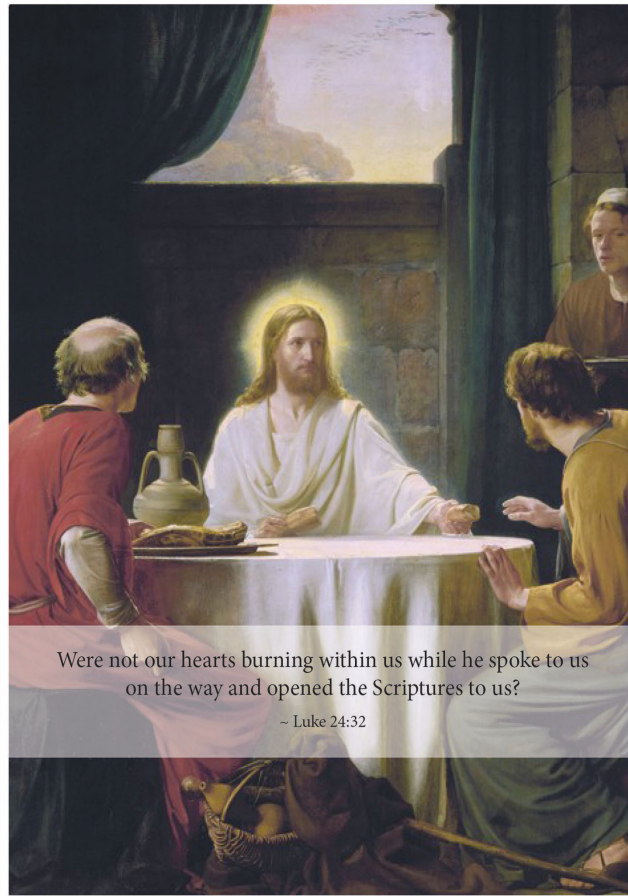
CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:00-3:45pm
1st Fridays of the Month....8:30-9:00am
Or by Appointment

PRAYER CHAPEL

Open Daily7:00am-8:00pm
Adoration.....Monday & Thursday
 8:30am-6:00pm
Benediction.....Monday, 6:00pm

APRIL 26, 2020
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

~ Luke 24:32



From The Pastor's Desk...
Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!

There is both hope and challenge for us in today's gospel account of two disciples of Jesus journey to Emmaus. The hope being that we will see the risen Lord. The challenge being how we will see the risen Lord. We easily acknowledge Christ on the cross in church, but find it more difficult to recognize Christ when he comes into our everyday lives.

The disciples on the road to Emmaus in today's Gospel did not recognize the risen Christ even though they had followed him, seen him perform miracles, and heard him preach. His appearance was not the same. Only the breaking of the bread opened their eyes. Mary Magdalen thought the risen Christ was the gardener on Easter morning until he spoke her name. The disciples on resurrection night in Jerusalem thought they were seeing a ghost until Jesus showed them the wounds of his crucifixion. The disciples did not recognize the risen Christ at the sea shore in Galilee until the marvelous catch of fish. So what prevents us from recognizing Jesus disguised in our everyday lives? As I mentioned, we easily recognize him in church, and in the Eucharist. Perhaps this time of church closures and "stay at home" order, Jesus is calling us to recognize him beyond what we already know and long for. Christ comes into our everyday lives, disguised as our family members, our co-workers, or drivers on the road. And we are called to serve the Christ disguised in our everyday lives. If we truly believed that every act of kindness we do for another we do for Christ, how would our actions change? How different our world would be! Recognizing Christ requires a response. Could you refuse a Christ needing a winter coat or a fan to cool himself in the summer? If Christ were mentally challenged or mentally ill, would you support a tax to provide services? Do you treat your employer as Christ? Your employees? What about our treatment of poor people or refugees? Who would we refuse at our borders? The solutions may not be simple, but our criteria for judging need to be Christ-centered. What about the neighbor whose dog barks incessantly, or the ones who don't care for their lawn as we would? What about someone who cuts you off when changing lanes on the highway or takes 25 items into the fast lane at the grocery store? Hard to see Christ in them, huh? But we are more apt to *see* Christ in others if we try to *be* Christ to others! Dorothy Day once said, "I really only love God as much as I love the person I love the least." Something to think about!

Have a blessed Easter Season!

Fr. Don

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Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, April 27 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Margaret Nowak, by Family

Tuesday, April 28 - St Peter Chanel & St Louis Grignon de Montfort

8:00 AM † Dave Dougherty, by Shirley Staples

Wednesday, April 29 - St Catherine of Siena

8:00 AM † James W Ray & James W Ray, Jr,
by Helean Ray

Thursday, April 30 - St Pius, V, Pope

8:00 AM † Sally & Jim Rumsey, by Rich & Therese Kobal

Friday, May 1 - St Joseph the Worker

8:00 AM † Rosita T Lopez, by Brenda & Bill Fries

Saturday, May 2 - St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of Church

4:00 PM **Vigil - Fourth Sunday of Easter**
St. Peregrine, by Agnes Schlobohm
† Felicita Yu, by Uy Family

Sunday, May 3 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
† Melva Purnell, by John Salentine
9:00 AM † Mary & Donald Cullotta, by Family
10:45 AM † John Pulliam, by Patricia Leatherwood
12:30 PM The People of Our Lady of Mercy
5:30 PM † Elizabeth Irefo, by Family

**Due to the Governor's stay-at-home order, all
Masses are closed to the public.**

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL LAMPS

Votive lamps will burn this week before the Blessed Sacrament for the following intentions:

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| 1. Megan Gabaldon | 9. The Feldman Family |
| 2. The Sick | 10. Seminarians |
| 3. Ailani Banuelos | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. First Responders | 12. Medical Personnel |
| 5. Covid-19 Patients | 13. Marti & Jerry Schmitt |
| 6. Dcn Bob & Betty Vavra | 14. Healthy Pregnancy & Baby for JD |
| 7. Priests | 15. The Pluskota Family |
| 8. The Deceased | 16. The Homeless |

If you wish to have a candle burning for your intention in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you will find envelopes on the shelf in the Narthex near the Priest's Sacristy or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Scheduled Mass Intentions

During this time in which Masses have been cancelled at OLM due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, intentions and the stipend for the Masses not celebrated will be sent to the Diocese of Joliet for retired priests and/or missionary priests to celebrate as soon as possible. It will not be possible for you to attend the Mass, as we won't know who, when or where the Mass will be celebrated, but the Mass WILL be celebrated. We decided not to re-schedule the Masses at OLM because the Mass intentions for 2020 and 2021 are nearly all taken. We appreciate your understanding.

We pray for our sick, confined and their families

Please contact the Parish Office if you or your **immediate** family member wish to be added to the Sick List.

Mark Hoeksema
Wayne Draper
Ailani Banulos
Julia Schremp
Billy Walowski
Kathy Walowski
Flo Paprzycki
Helga Manglinong
Michael Dandan
Charlene Oates
Maria Luna
William Nimmow

Jill Brisceno
Lexi Brisceno
Michael Butler
Hailey Hartnett
Thomas F. Sterling
Henrietta Pineda
La Moua
Valerie Plesha
Hedy Sterling
Diane Pazos
Diane Ramonas
Diane Singer
Joyce Craig

John Swanston
Robert Ciulla
Bridget Garry
David Bakke

Please note: Due to the government legislation regarding patient privacy, names of people to be prayed for at Mass or in the Bulletin can be listed only if that person, or in the case of their incapacitation, the person delegated to their medical care, calls to give permission.



DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR.....
¡También conocido como Chardonnay W(h)ines!

Hay esperanza y desafío para nosotros en el relato del evangelio de hoy sobre el viaje de dos discípulos de Jesús a Emaús. La esperanza es que veremos al Señor resucitado. El desafío es cómo veremos al Señor resucitado. Reconocemos fácilmente a Cristo en la cruz en la iglesia, pero nos resulta más difícil reconocer a Cristo cuando viene a nuestra vida cotidiana.

Los discípulos en el camino a Emaús en el Evangelio de hoy no reconocieron al Cristo resucitado a pesar de que lo siguieron, lo vieron hacer milagros y lo escucharon predicar. Su apariencia no era la misma. Solo la partición del pan les abrió los ojos. María Magdalena pensó que el Cristo resucitado era el jardinero en la mañana de Pascua hasta que pronunció su nombre. Los discípulos en la noche de la resurrección en Jerusalén pensaron que estaban viendo un fantasma hasta que Jesús les mostró las heridas de su crucifixión. Los discípulos no reconocieron al Cristo resucitado en la orilla del mar en Galilea hasta la maravillosa captura de peces. Entonces, ¿qué nos impide reconocer a Jesús disfrazado en nuestra vida cotidiana? Como mencioné, lo reconocemos fácilmente en la iglesia y en la Eucaristía. Quizás esta vez del cierre de iglesias y orden de "quedarse en casa", Jesús nos está llamando a reconocerlo más allá de lo que ya sabemos y anhelamos. Cristo viene a nuestra vida cotidiana, disfrazado de miembros de nuestra familia, nuestros compañeros de trabajo o conductores en el camino. Y estamos llamados a servir al Cristo disfrazado en nuestra vida diaria. Si realmente creyéramos que cada acto de bondad que hacemos por otro lo hacemos por Cristo, ¿cómo cambiarían nuestras acciones? ¿Qué diferente sería nuestro mundo! Reconocer a Cristo requiere una respuesta. ¿Podrías rechazar a un Cristo que necesita un abrigo de invierno o un ventilador para refrescarse en el verano? Si Cristo tuviera un desafío mental o una enfermedad mental, ¿apoyarías un impuesto para proporcionar servicios? ¿Tratas a tu empleador como Cristo? ¿Tus empleados? ¿Qué pasa con nuestro trato a las personas pobres o refugiados? ¿A quién rechazaríamos en nuestras fronteras? Las soluciones pueden no ser simples, pero nuestros criterios para juzgar deben estar centrados en Cristo. ¿Qué pasa con el vecino cuyo perro ladra sin cesar, o los que no cuidan su césped como nosotros? ¿Qué pasa con alguien que te interrumpe cuando cambia de carril en la carretera o lleva 25 artículos al carril rápido en la tienda de comestibles? Difícil ver a Cristo en ellos, ¿eh? ¡Pero somos más propensos a *ver* a Cristo en los demás si tratamos de *ser* Cristo para los demás! Dorothy Day dijo una vez: "Realmente solo amo a Dios tanto como amo a la persona que menos amo". ¡Algo para pensarlo!

¡Que tengan una bendecida temporada de Pascua!

Padre Tom

EL PLAN DE DIOS

Hoy san Pedro nos habla dos veces. En la primera lectura, escuchamos un pasaje de su sermón en Pentecostés; en la segunda, parte de su primera carta. Antes, un aterrorizado pescador con poca educación quien a menudo decía lo equivocado, el Pedro de ahora habla sobre la verdad que conoce. Todo lo que Jesús había dicho ahora tiene sentido. Su muerte y resurrección eran parte del plan de Dios, y nuestra fe y esperanza pueden centrarse en Dios.

El Evangelio de hoy describe el relato del camino a Emaús en el que Jesús se une a dos discípulos. Atemorizados, tristes y confundidos aquellos dos no reconocen a Jesús, quien les dice lo que escuchamos a Pedro decir arriba: todo esto tuvo que suceder como parte del plan de Dios. Al final, estos discípulos reconocen a Jesús así como nosotros debemos reconocerle —al partir el pan. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 6:8-15; Sal 119 (118):23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Martes: Hch 7:51 — 8:1a; Sal 31 (30):3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Miércoles: Hch 8:1b-8; Sal 66 (65):1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Jueves: Hch 8:26-40; Sal 66 (65):8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Viernes: Hch 9:1-20; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59, ó (por la memoria) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 ó Col 3:14-15, 17, 23 — 24; Sal 90 (89):2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
Sábado: Hch 9:31-42; Sal 116 (115):12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Domingo: Hch 2:14a, 36-41; Sal 23 (22):1-6; 1 Pe 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

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. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

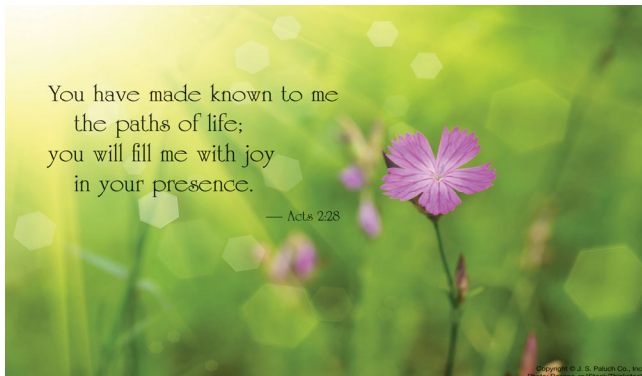
TODAY'S READINGS

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).



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

STAY WITH US, LORD

Walk with us, Lord, along
the road of resurrection!

Explain for us, so slow to
believe, the things that
Scripture says of you.

Break the bread of the
Eucharist with us whenever
we share our lives
with our brothers and
sisters.

Stay with us each time
night approaches and the
daylight fades in our
hearts!



RE Family Corner

Be still and know that I am God

As I write to you, I find feel a sense of solidarity knowing that we may share in a common faith experience. Although the Easter Season desires us to reveal Jesus' risen presence among us, the pandemic and the mystery of God seem to call us to dwell in the silence and waiting of Holy Saturday.

Each year most of us tend to focus our attention on Good Friday and Easter Sunday and fill Holy Saturday with preparations for Easter. This year, I've come to see that when I do this, I miss an essential part of my *Journey to the Heights*. The lockdown is strangely becoming a prolonged "Holy Saturday" experience for me. Being in the tomb with Jesus is teaching me to surrender my illusion of control and let go of my fears and the ways I resist His love for me. Waiting in silence invites the voice of love into my heart, "*Be still and know that I am God*" (Psalm 46:10), and "*For I will never leave or abandon you.*" (Hebrews 13:5)

As I reflect on this experience and my role as DRE, it brings me to raise a rhetorical question: Is there a greater gift we could offer our children than to model our total dependence on God, our trust in His saving action, and our belief that Resurrection ALWAYS follows Good Friday *and* Holy Saturday?

A Family Prayer & Ritual

Gather around your table and light a candle in a darkened room.

Have everyone sit with feet flat on the floor with eyes closed or fixed on the lit candle.

Take a few deep breaths before beginning this mantra prayer.

One person leads each prayer and pauses about 30 seconds after each line.

Pray: *Be still and know that I am God.* (pause)

Pray: *Be still and know that I am.* (pause)

Pray: *Be still and know.* (pause)

Pray: *Be still.* (pause)

Pray: *Be.* (pause)

After being together in silence for 30 seconds or so, offer a closing prayer. I suggest the Glory Be or another shared from your heart.



You Are Not Alone

We want you to know that you have support and assistance available from your parish family. Please let us know if you need help with any need such as help with groceries, would like a sunshine call for a friendly check in or someone to pray with you or if you need resources or support for concerns related to your mental or emotional health (isolation, anxiety, stress, loneliness, fear, depression or feeling overwhelmed).

Please contact the parish by going on the OLM website at olmercy.com and click on the box “**Let us help, post your need here**” or contact Jolene LeRoy RN Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380 or jolene@olmercy.com. We will get through this time being there for each other and staying close to our Lord in prayer. The OLM website offers spiritual nourishment resources and messages from Father Don and Father Mark to keep us connected.

Stress Awareness Month

April is designated as *Stress Awareness Month*. The article in the bulletin last week focused on ways to decrease stress by Gregory L. Jantz, PhD with Ann McMurray in the book, *Six Steps to Reduce Stress*. The first three steps were discussed last week. The last three steps will be written about in this article. Step 4 is **Live Present**. If you are experiencing pain from the past, it is important to move out of the past and into the present. With the help of the Lord, caring people in your life and if needed mental health care professionals, you need to let go of hurtful memories of the past and focus on the positive in your life today so that the past no longer controls your thoughts in the present. You are a unique person with special gifts and talents given to you by God to share with others. Reflect on the blessings in your life and be thankful for them. *“We know that all things for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.”* (Romans 8: 28)



Step 5 is **Live Grace-Full**. Being at peace with yourself and others involves forgiveness. It is “turning bitterness into kindness and resentment into compassion”. To live gracefully means to reconnect with your capacity to forgive. Trust God and ask Him to show you the way to grace and forgiveness of yourself and others. *“May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word.”* (2 Thessalonians 2: 16-17)

Step 6 is **Live Grateful**. Having an attitude of gratitude is key in determining how you look at the world and respond to both the expected and unexpected. It is easy to be grateful when everything is going well and there is no stress or bumps in the road of life. When there are challenges in life, that is the time to adopt an attitude of gratitude and consider that what is happening may be a bump or path where a blessing from God may be found. *“And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.”* (Colossians 3: 15-16)

There will always be stress in our lives. It is how we manage our reaction to stress that will determine if we allow stress to steal our joy, not let us see God’s blessings or be aware of God’s promises and power. Let us turn to our Risen Lord Jesus Christ to help us cope with the stress in our lives and receive in our hearts and soul only the peace, joy, hope and love that comes from Him. Amen.

NUMBERS TO CALL FOR SUPPORT

CRISIS LINE OF FOX VALLEY 630-966-9393

DISASTER DISTRESS HELPLINE 1-800-985-5990

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE 1-800-273-8255

NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE 1-800-799-7233



THIRD SUNDAY OF *Easter* APRIL 26, 2020

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

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

Luke 24:32

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 4/5/2020)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections: \$ 1,238,280
 Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget: \$ 1,280,000
Amount Short of Budget: \$ (41,720)

4/5/2020 Sunday Collection: \$ 36,137
 Sunday Goal: \$ 32,000
Amount in Excess of Goal: \$ 4,137

Collections during the Lockdown Period(4 *Sundays*)

3/15-4/5/2020 Sunday Collection: \$ 90,833
 Sunday Goal: \$ 128,000
Amount Short of Goal: \$ (37,167)

We have received 71% of our Budgeted Collection during this lockdown period.

We have had over 150 parishioners sign up for on-line giving during this time, an increase of over 70% since the Lockdown began.

***OLM is blessed.
 Thank you for your generosity!!***

Construction loan for building the Parish Life Center
 April, 2009 \$1,950,000
 February, 2020 \$ 852,642
 March, 2020 \$ 843,642



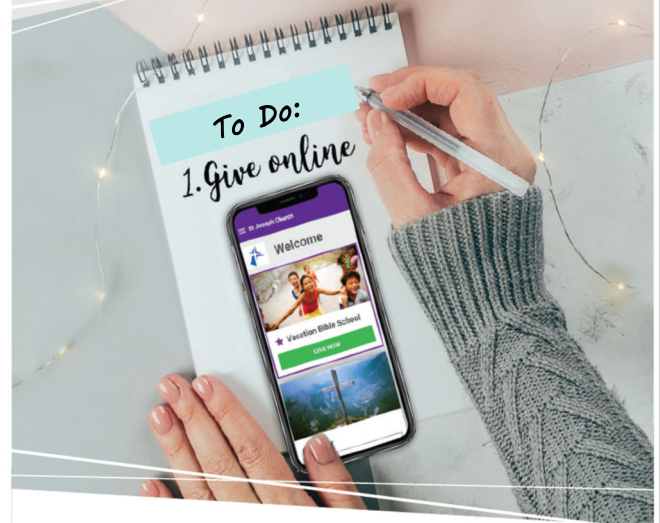
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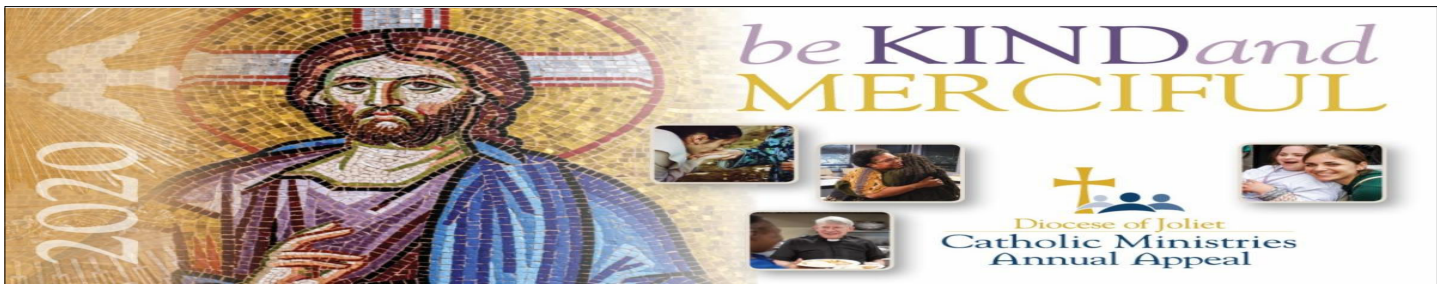
Online Giving will help sustain our church.

Make this year's personal tithing goal easier to achieve through Online Giving. Meeting your giving goal will help support our church's many ministries dedicated to strengthening our church's community and community at large.

Online Giving allows you to make donations, payments, and pledges via your smart device or computer to our church.



Set up your gift today or consider an additional gift via our website on your smart device.



It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal:	\$146,700	Remaining Balance:	\$67,218
Amount Pledged:	152,559	Rebate Amount:	0
Amount Paid	85,342	# of Families Pledged:	621



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

After the Resurrection the disciples were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has ...

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A _____ !"

Answer: *Simon appeared to Simon*

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The Little Ones

Los Más Pequeños

Jim Burrows

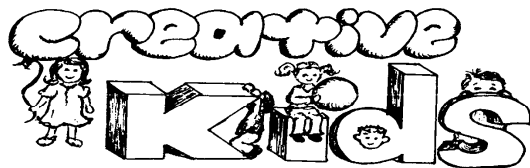


They began to relate their experiences on the road and how he was recognized by them in the breaking of the bread. Lk 24:35

Entonces ellos contaban sus experiencias en el camino, y cómo le habían reconocido en el partir del pan. Lc 24:35

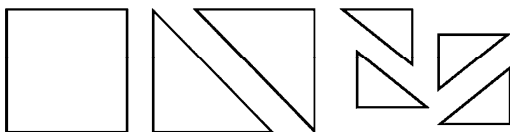
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Recognizing Shapes

1. Make your favorite sandwich.
2. Decide how it should be cut to make two triangles.
3. Now move the triangles around so they create one big triangle instead of one big square cut in two.
4. Now figure out how to cut your sandwich so you end up with four small triangles.
5. Use the triangles to make different shapes.
 - Can you make a large triangle?
 - Can you make a large square?
 - Can you make 2 medium triangles?
 - Can you make 2 medium squares?
 - Can you make 1 medium triangle and 1 medium square?
 - What else can you create?
6. Enjoy eating your creations!



GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

Third Sunday of Easter Year A

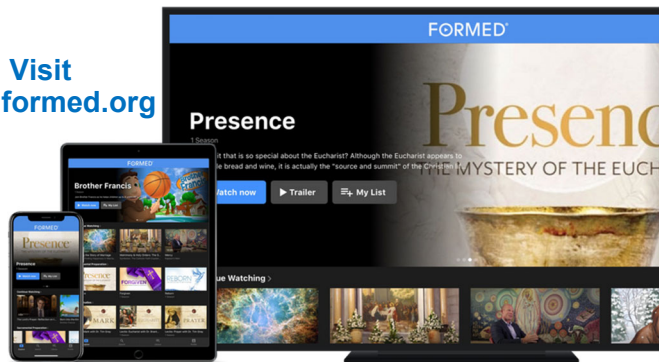
Jesus walked and talked with two disciples who did not recognize Him. They invited Him to supper.

Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11
1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35

Directions: Can you recognize the words below?
Draw a line to the words that match each other.

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|---------|---------|
| JESUS | EDAD |
| DEAD | ROVEREF |
| ALIVE | VEALI |
| FOREVER | SSUEJ |

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WEDDINGS: The bride, groom or either set of parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Weddings may be scheduled no less than six months out in order to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation requirements. Contact Diane Reiter, ext. 221.

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