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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 23RD, 2023

IT HAPPENED THAT, WHILE HE WAS WITH THEM AT TABLE, HE TOOK BREAD,
SAID THE BLESSING, BROKE IT, AND GAVE IT TO THEM.

When we read today's Gospel the disciples on the Road to Emmaus we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.



Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

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III DOMINGO DE PASCUA. ABRIL 23TH.

**Y ENTRÓ PARA QUEDARSE CON ELLOS. CUANDO ESTABAN A LA MESA, TOMÓ UN PAN,
PRONUNCIÓ LA BENDICIÓN, LO PARTIÓ Y SE LO DIO**

Cuando leemos el Evangelio de hoy a los discípulos de Emaús, podemos sorprendernos al saber que estos amigos de Jesús podían caminar y conversar con él durante algún tiempo y no reconocerlo. Nuevamente descubrimos que Jesús resucitado no siempre es fácilmente reconocido. Cleofás y el otro discípulo caminan con una persona que creen que es un extraño; solo más tarde descubren que el extraño es Jesús. Aprendemos que la primera comunidad encontró y reconoció a Jesús al partir el pan, así como nosotros encontramos a Jesús en la Eucaristía.

Podemos imaginar los sentimientos de los dos discípulos en la lectura de hoy. Están dejando su comunidad en Jerusalén. Su amigo Jesús ha sido crucificado. Su esperanza se ha ido. Están tratando de dar sentido a lo que ha ocurrido, para poder dejar atrás la experiencia.

Jesús mismo se acerca a los dos hombres, pero lo toman por un extraño. Jesús les pregunta de qué están hablando. Los invita a compartir su experiencia e interpretación de los eventos que rodearon su crucifixión y muerte de él. Cuando los dos discípulos lo han hecho, Jesús ofrece su propia interpretación de su crucifixión y resurrección de él, citando las Escrituras judías. En ese encuentro encontramos el modelo para nuestra Liturgia de la Palabra: lo que hacemos cada vez que nos reunimos como comunidad para la Eucaristía. Reflexionamos sobre nuestras experiencias de vida y las interpretamos a la luz de las Escrituras. Nos reunimos para abrir la Palabra de Dios.

En la siguiente parte de la historia, encontramos un modelo para nuestra Liturgia de la Eucaristía. Los discípulos invitan al extranjero (Jesús) a quedarse con ellos. Durante la comida en la que participan en la fracción del pan, se abren los ojos de los discípulos; reconocen al extraño como Jesús. También en la Eucaristía participamos de la fracción del pan y descubrimos a Jesús en medio de nosotros. Así como los discípulos regresaron a Jerusalén para contar su experiencia a los otros discípulos, también nosotros somos enviados de nuestra reunión eucarística. Nuestra experiencia de Jesús en la Eucaristía nos impulsa a compartir la historia con los demás.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- THE CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF MONTEREY IS HOLDING A MOTHER'S DAY DIAPER DRIVE. WE WILL BE COLLECTING DIAPERS HERE TO BE DROPPED OFF IN PACIFIC GROVE ON MONDAY, MAY 15TH. THIS CATHOLIC CHARITY HELPS YOUNG AND STRUGGLING MOMS AND BABIES WITH THE MULTIPLE NEEDS OF THOSE EARLY MONTHS. WE WILL HAVE A DONATION BOX AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE SEE THE FLYER FOR MORE INFORMATION.
- WE ARE ENTERING OUR FINAL WEEK OF THE 2023 AMA. JACK MCLEER IS HERE WITH A QUICK UPDATE.
- THERE IS NO 5PM SPANISH MASS THIS WEEKEND.

SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 AM in English, 5:00 PM in Spanish

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:

10 AM - 12 PM; 2 - 4 PM

The church is open Wednesday — Sunday from 10 AM to 4 PM for personal prayer.

“At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service.” St. Teresa of Avila

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions April 22nd - April 28th

Saturday Vigil April 22nd: **Health & Healing of Bob Balles**
7pm: **Mass in Cachagua**
Sunday April 23rd 9:00 : + **Health & Healing of Peter Coakley**
11:15: + **Eladio Ramos Vasquez**
NO 5PM SPANISH MASS
Wed. April 26th 12:00: **Health & Healing of Peter Azevedo**
Thurs. April 27th 12:00: + **Kristen Defley**
Fri. April 28th 12:00: + **Terry Green**

WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 15-16 2023

General Fund and EFT: **\$3,640.79**

Thank you for your generosity to our Parish Community

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PARISH VOLUNTEER MINISTRIES

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- Dede Woodhead (chair), Alondra Klemek (vice chair), Jeff Hawkins (secretary), Tess Arthur, J Concepción Jara, Tom Rowland, Trini Resendiz

Finance Council

- Alex Gray (chair), Jim Rice (secretary), A.B. Introcaso, Jack McAleer, Ed Quinnan

Faith Formation

- **First Communion:** Jennifer Bodner (1st year), Marilyn Morgadinho (2nd year)
- **Confirmation:** Tess Arthur (1st year), Alondra Klemek and Brisa Cabrera (2nd year)
- **RCIA / Adult Faith Formation:** John Condon

Bereavement Ministry:

Trudy Dowd

Manna Ministry:

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Human Trafficking

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Parish Hall & Kitchen Rental: A.B. Introcaso

Social Media: Lorraine Yglesias

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The Diocese has set our minimum contribution to them this year at \$10,900.

Every dollar above this amount is returned to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Our target for AMA 2023 is \$41,000, and we hope to exceed this amount.

To date is \$36,358, which is 89% of our parish goal of \$41K. (Last week the percentage was 87%).

Thank you for your generosity to our Parish Community

2023 Annual Ministry Appeal
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