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APRIL 23RD 2023
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

CYCLE A (MATTHEW)

Emmaus and Us: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday of Easter

Readings:

Acts 2:14, 22–28

Psalms 16:1–2, 5, 7–11

1 Peter 1:17–21

Luke 24:13–35

We should put ourselves in the shoes of the disciples in today's Gospel.

Downcast and confused, they're making their way down the road, unable to understand all the things that have occurred. They know what they've seen—a prophet mighty in word and deed. They know what they were hoping for—that He would be the redeemer of Israel.

But they don't know what to make of His violent death at the hands of their rulers. They can't even recognize Jesus as He draws near to walk with them. He seems like just another foreigner visiting Jerusalem for the Passover. Note that Jesus doesn't disclose His identity until they describe how they found His tomb empty but "Him they did not see." That's how it is with us, too. Unless He revealed Himself, we would see only an empty tomb and a meaningless death. How does Jesus make Himself known at Emmaus? First, He interprets "all the Scriptures" as referring to Him. In today's First Reading and Epistle, Peter also opens the Scriptures to proclaim the meaning of Christ's death according to the Father's "set plan"—foreknown before the foundation of the world. Jesus is described as a new Moses and a new Passover lamb. He is the one of whom David sang in today's Psalm, whose soul was not abandoned to corruption but was shown the path of life. After opening the Scriptures, Jesus at table took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to the disciples—exactly what He did at the Last Supper (see [Luke 22:14–20](#)). In every Eucharist, we re-enact that Easter Sunday at Emmaus. Jesus reveals Himself to us in our journey. He speaks to our hearts in the Scriptures. Then at the table of the altar, in the person of the priest, He breaks the bread. The disciples begged Him, "Stay with us." So He does. Though He has vanished from our sight, in the Eucharist—as at Emmaus—we know Him in the breaking of the bread.



Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



APRIL 22ND TO APRIL 29TH 2023

- Sat April 22nd 5:00pm - Annie Garcia †
- Sun April 23rd 7:30am- Maude, Harry & Neville D'Sa †
9:00am- Gregoria & Jose Adolfo Sr. †
10:30am- Alan Dobb †
12:00pm- People of the Parish
- Mon April 24th 8:30am- Leo Ryan †
- Tue April 25th 8:30am - Mr. and Mrs. Felix's Family
- Wed April 26th 7:30pm- Sylvia Johnson; Mavis Johnson; Birthday Thanksgiving for Donna Milburn; Isabel Inting †; Benigno Alfaro †; and Maria Vasconcalos †
- Thu April 27th 8:30am- Anton Wagner †
- Fri April 28th 7:30pm- James T. Grosvenor †; and Alfonso Castellvi †
- Sat April 29th 8:30am - Carlo Mercurio †; Lloyd Laborde †; Vernon Pingol †; Carmen Salcedo †; and Isabel Angulo †



OUR SICK:

Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Clescadin Gustave Pengelly, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achai-bar, Sharon Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna Tomasi, Joan Plouffe, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Edward Kaminski, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Ursula Solomon, Holly MacInnis, Norma Diso, Jennifer Solomon, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Colleen Balgobin, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Eccleiton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Naty Germain, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Jean Schofield, Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Duverney Family, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Nida Carandang, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum, Ahilla Kisson.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



April 26th is the Feast Day of our Lady of Good Counsel, the Patroness of the CWL. A special Mass in her honour will be celebrated by Fr. Peter and the CWL Scarborough Region Spiritual Advisor,

on **Wednesday, April 26th @ 9:00am at St. Boniface Parish.**

There will be light refreshments in the parish hall after Mass. All are welcome!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE St. Boniface Council Information and Membership Drive

On the **weekend of April 29th & 30th**, representatives from the Toronto Diocesan Council will be at St. Boniface Parish. They will speak at each Mass and will provide information in the hall downstairs after Mass.



We invite all parishioners to join us in the Hall for a free coffee and treats.

Come to inaugurate the restored parish hall, mingle with fellow parishioners and learn about the CWL.

2023 DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2023 donation envelopes have been moved to the parish office. If you have not picked up your envelopes and would like to do so, please call parish office at 416-261-5983 to pick up your envelopes.

Thank you for supporting our Parish.



RECEPTION FOR DEACON SAVIO'S PRIESTLY ORDINATION AT ST. BONIFACE PARISH

Our Deacon Savio's priestly ordination reception will take place on **Sunday, May 21st after the 12 noon Mass.** We need volunteers to help us set-up and clean-up.

Please call the parish office at 416-261-5983 and leave your name and telephone number if you are able to help at his reception on May 21st.

Thank you!



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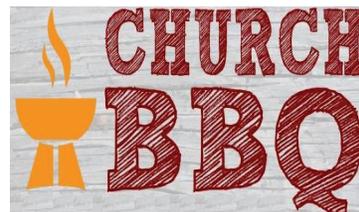
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HVAC RENOVATION UP-DATE and VOLUNTEERS HELP NEEDED!

Our central heating and air conditioning systems have been mostly completed. There are still some fine tuning to be done, but the major renovations have been completed. In order for the different ministries to start using our hall, the St. Stephens Room and the boardroom downstairs, we need volunteers to help us move some furniture (tables, chairs, cabinets) to their respective places. If you are able to help us, please contact the parish office and leave your name and telephone number. We will arrange a date. Thank you and God Bless.

ST. BONIFACE PARISH FEAST PICNIC



Our St. Boniface Parish Feast picnic will be on **Sunday, June 4th after the 12 noon Mass.**

We need volunteers to print tickets; sell tickets after all Masses in May; entertainment for kids (games etc.); set-up games; clean-up afterwards.

If you are able to help us plan this event, please call the parish office at 416-261-5983, and leave your name and telephone number.

If you are a high-school student looking for community hours. This is a good way to earn your hours. Please call the parish office and put your name down.

By popular demand, we have invited FV Foods to come by again this year to prepare their yummy hamburgers and hot dogs. We have asked them to set up 2 tents with more servers this year, so that the lines will not be too long.

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