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THIRD SUNDAY OF *Easter*

THE TWO DISCIPLES RECOUNTED
WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE ON THE WAY
AND HOW JESUS WAS MADE KNOWN
TO THEM IN THE BREAKING OF BREAD.

Luke 24:35



**APRIL 30
2017**

Our Emmaus Road

First Reading

God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us (Acts 2:14, 22-33).

Peter's main theme in addressing his fellow Jews is that Jesus is the promised Messiah, as demonstrated by the signs he worked and his Resurrection. Messianic expectations of the Son of David included mastery over nature. The messianic heir of Solomon was expected to perform signs of the kind preserved in the legends of Solomon. Peter proposes that Jesus had passed this test and that his miracles were, in fact, his "credentials" from God. The Resurrection is presented by Peter as the fulfillment of Psalm 16, which promises that the faithful one won't undergo the corruption of the grave.

The Jewish population gathered in Jerusalem didn't need much more in the way of sacramental preparation. We're told that three thousand were baptized as a consequence of Peter's preaching. The faith of the Jews made it possible to receive them quickly into the Church. It was enough for Peter to announce that what had been believed about the Messiah had indeed been fulfilled in Christ. As good Jews who knew the teaching of Judaism, they needed only to profess faith that Jesus was the culmination of that tradition as Messiah and Lord.

Second Reading

Our faith and hope are in God who raised Jesus from the dead (1 Peter 1:17-21).

We hear in this reading a much more mature Peter than we heard in the first reading. This letter is believed to have been written thirty years or

more after that first proclamation of the Gospel in Acts. The themes are remarkably the same, however. The Gospel still revolves around the basic idea that Jesus was the chosen one of God who suffered, died, and was raised. By that Resurrection we're given cause for a faith and hope, which save us from the "futile" way of life we would otherwise live.

That faith makes us strangers or exiles on this earth and aware of the just judgment that the Father will pronounce on those who don't conduct themselves with the reverence due him. The mercy we receive through his Precious Blood doesn't exempt us from his justice; rather, it demands that we act reverently and with mercy. So reverently, in fact, that our status as aliens in this land is manifest to those who don't share our faith.

Gospel Reading

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).

In this reading, we see Jesus seeking two disciples who are leaving Jerusalem in despair over Jesus's death and apparent failure. Jesus's meticulous care in gathering up and confirming his disciples in faith after his Resurrection ought to give us great confidence in his love for all, even those who have walked away from him. The lesson for us is that without the gift of faith, even the obvious can seem obscure. This story in Luke also gives us some direction as to where to find the grace necessary to over-



come our ignorance. We're told that in the "breaking of bread" they recognized him. That term is widely considered to have been a kind of code term in the early Church for the celebration of the Eucharist.

This narrative itself exhibits a form like that of the Mass. It begins with a Liturgy of the Word: "Beginning, then, with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures." It closes with the "breaking of the bread," as happens in the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Through the Sacraments generally, and the daily Sacrament of the Eucharist particularly, the Church learns to see clearly what was formerly obscure.

DIGGING DEEPER: Emmaus

Emmaus, meaning "warm spring," was a small town located about seven miles northwest of Jerusalem. In addition to the mention in the Gospel, Emmaus was the site of other events in both Old and New Testament times. Around 166 BC, Judas Maccabeus fought a battle there (1 Maccabees 3:55–4:22). Before the siege of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Temple in 70 AD, the Emperor Vespasian's fifth legion was stationed there. It probably was located at or near the Palestinian village of Imwas, which was destroyed in 1967.

Grow in Discipleship

The two disciples on the road to Emmaus in today's reading came to know the Lord in the "breaking of the bread"—the Eucharist. We can see that their encounter with Jesus that day parallels the way Jesus comes to meet us in every Mass.

First, just as Jesus spoke to the two disciples on the road about the Scriptures, so Jesus speaks to us through the Scriptures in the Liturgy of the Word. Then, just as Jesus explained the Scriptures to the disciples on the road, so do we have those words interpreted for us by the priest so that we can begin to understand what they mean for our lives. The first half of the Mass, like the first half of the journey to Emmaus, focuses on the Word of God.

Then, as we experience the "breaking of the bread," Jesus gives

us his very self, his Body and Blood. At that moment, our eyes can be opened and we are able to see Jesus in our midst. When we receive the Lord with an open and receptive heart, we know that he is alive . . . and with us. We begin to have a glimpse into the awesome plan of God for our own lives. The second half of the Mass, like the second half of the Emmaus story, centers on meeting and recognizing Jesus.

Finally, like the disciples who run back to Jerusalem to share the Good News, we too, at the end of every Mass, are commissioned to be ambassadors of Christ who has revealed himself in the Word and in the Eucharist.



DIGGING DEEPER: Liturgy of the Word

The Liturgy of the Word consists of eight parts:

1. The First Reading from either the Old Testament or the Book of Acts
2. The Responsorial Psalm
3. The Second Reading from the New Testament (excluding the Gospels)
4. The Gospel Alleluia
5. The Gospel Reading
6. The Homily
7. The Profession of Faith in the Creed
8. The Prayers of the Faithful

Watch the short Opening the Word video that accompanies this reflection at FORMED.org
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Mass Intentions

Saturday 4/29

- 8:30am Jesus Llacer, Sr. †
5:00pm Gregorio, Felisciana, Raul, Isaac Chavez †
7:00pm Shun Suk Bang †
Silva †

Sunday 4/30

- 6:45am Melanie Maher †
8:00am Mark Ramos
9:30am Antero & Roseto Barna †
11:00am John Bany †
12:30pm Uriel Sanchez †
6:00pm Melvin Medeiros †
Mass for Our Parish

Monday 5/1

- 7:00am John Gelch †
Stone Family
8:30am Pat Werner †
Jim & Betty Kane

Tuesday 5/2

- 7:00am William Lawrence †
Stone Family
8:30am Steve & Jill Lamb
Walter Day & Gena Santos †

Wednesday 5/3

- 7:00am Rodolpho Lamb †
8:30am Rae Winslow †
7:00pm Asunta, Geman & Gustalino
Gonzalez †

Thursday 5/4

- 7:00am Gusty Hohn
Liberty Restaino †
8:30am Holly Lamb
Anthony Restaino †

Friday 5/5

- 7:00am Gregorio, Felisciana, Raul, Isaac Chavez †
8:30am Michael Lamb
Thomas Coyne †

To request a Mass intention, please visit the church office.

Prayers & Devotion

Rejoicing!

For the 6,000 people who celebrated Easter at St Michael's last weekend.

For Mike Surritte, who no longer has any detectable cancer in his body!

For the new Inquirers who are meeting weekly, expressing their interest in becoming Catholic.

For the Sick and Injured

Lac Dinh, Mike Miskell and Eric Hom's dad who are all recovering from heart surgery.

Fernando G. Castro who has lymphoma.

For Heather and Rob who are battling cancer.

Sacraments

For our First Communion and Confirmation candidates.

For Deacon John who will be ordained a priest on May 20 at the Cathedral of the Annunciation in Stockton.

Join the Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin, Ireland on Sept 7, 1921. It is a lay catholic organization whose members are giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country. The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of each individual. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in their homes and in hospitals and through collaboration in every apostolic and missionary undertaking sponsored by the parish. Every legionary is required to carry out a weekly apostolic work in the spirit of faith and in union with Mary.

For more information, please contact Ricardo Echon at rickyechon@sbcglobal.net or visit with a member after Mass.

News & Announcements



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Thank You for a Wonderful Holy Week and Easter Sunday!

St Michael family, I extend my heartfelt thanks for making Holy Week and Easter Sunday such a success for the glory of God. We celebrated the sacraments with over 6,000 people, allowing Christ to show through your joy. Thank you to the liturgy team, the ushers and welcoming ministries, the music ministry, the RCIA team and the smiling faces of all parishioners who welcomed our returning neighbors.

A special thanks also goes out to our Livermore Knights of Columbus who managed the overflow parking, kept us all safe crossing the streets and set up and took down the wildly successful outdoor Mass in the courtyard.

Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit continues to bless our parish, convert hearts and guide us all to the Mercy of God.

He is Risen! Alleluia!

Fr Van

Be Part of the Centennial Parish Directory!

We need YOU to make our Centennial Parish Directory complete! To celebrate the 100th anniversary of our church family and to strengthen the bond within our congregation, we welcome you to be a part of our upcoming new photo directory. The directory will preserve this special time in the life our church, will be a lasting record of our current membership and will help us connect faces with names.

View frequently asked questions and book your free portrait sitting for June or July today at StMichaelLivermore.com/Directory or call Corry Painter at 925-577-9939

Collection Report

4-23-17 Collection	\$19,179.44
Month-to-Date	\$74,896.84
Month Goal	\$86,274.51
Percentage Reached	87%
Faith Direct for April	\$12,309.00
2nd Collection	\$12,380.24

**St Vincent de Paul "5th Sunday"
collection is today!**

Happening This Week

MONDAY, MAY 1

Monday of the Third Week of Easter

Readings: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Suggestion:

Easter Adoration is available 24/7 in the chapel. If you need the after hours access code, call 775-772-6369

TUESDAY, MAY 2

Memorial of Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: Acts 7:51 -- 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Suggestion:

If you're pregnant, call the office to start the baptism prep! 925-447-1585

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

Readings: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Events:

Afternoon Confession at 2:30 pm in the Convent Chapel.

THURSDAY, MAY 4

Thursday of the Third Week of Easter

Readings: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Events:

WINGS guest speaker Monica Boegel, will talk on "Surviving Cancer with Faith, Family and Friends." at 9:30 am at St Charles.

FRIDAY, MAY 5

Friday of the Third Week of Easter

Readings: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Events:

First Friday: Receive holy Communion on nine consecutive first Fridays as an act of atonement for offenses against the Blessed Sacrament and receive special graces of Jesus' unfathomable mercy.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

Saturday of the Third Week of Easter

Readings: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Events:

Anointing of the Sick after the 8:30 am Mass. Benediction and Confession to follow.

Hike for Hope at Del Valle. See TheHikeForHope.com or call 925-829-8770.

SUNDAY, MAY 7

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

Events:

Special Blessing for those celebrating a birthday in May.

Good Shepherd Sunday

We like the idea of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, but we seldom like the idea of being sheep—people who blindly follow anyone or anything. However, that's not what sheep and shepherds are like in real life. Watch for the Friday Flocknote each week for reflections on the Mass readings.

Mass of Remembrance Wed, May 10th at 7 pm

We gather to remember departed loved ones by celebrating Mass in their honor. You are encouraged to bring a small framed photo of your loved ones to place before the altar during Mass. A Ritual of Remembrance gives us the chance to come forward with a rose, light a candle, and speak about the people we are remembering, if we wish. Roses and candles are provided. This quarterly Mass is offered by the Grief Support Ministry of St. Michael and St. Charles. All are welcome.

Join Cub Scouts!

Cub Scout Registration Wed, May 10 at 7 pm

All boys currently in grades pre-K/TK through 4th and their families are invited to an ice cream social and open house with St Michael Parish's Cub Scout Pack 903 at Jackson Ave School. Pack 903 is open to all boys who are interested in scouting with a Christian orientation.

Come and join the fun! Contact Vivian Hackett 716-573-3907

Coming Soon...



Date Night is Back! Sat, May 13 at 6:30 pm

All married and engaged couples are invited to an evening of marriage enrichment at St Charles. The evening's program will feature "Beloved-Conflict and Communication". It's an evening to enjoy adult fellowship and nurture your marriage relationship. This session is a joint effort between St Charles' and St Michael's parishioners. Contact stmichaeldatenight@gmail.com

KofC "Ribs, Chili, Cars, Blues & Blues" Sat, May 13, 10am-5pm at Msgnr Adams Field

- Rib & Chili Cook Offs
- Classic Car Competitions
- Craft Beer
- Evan Thomas Blues Band
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- Excellent BBQ
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To compete in the rib and/or chili cook off or classic car show, contact Barry Buckett at 510-334-7093 or Dan Corral at 925-525-8833.

Bible Study Group Accepting New Members for the Book of James Starting May 18

James: Pearls for Wise Living: James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like the book of Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. This eleven-session study will begin on May 18 at 6:30 pm in the Convent. Contact Ken at steamboatwillie1928@comcast.net

Birthright Baby Bottle Campaign May 14-June 18

Birthright of Livermore is pleased to announce our annual Baby Bottle Campaign from May 14 to June 18, Mother's Day to Father's Day, at St. Michael Parish. Pick up your bottle on Mother's Day and throughout the month add cash, checks and change.

Please return all baby bottles to St. Michael Church on Father's Day at Mass or return to the parish office. For more information call 925-449-5887.

Golden Friends Treasure Island Trip Register by May 26

Trip includes a fine dining experience at the Culinary Academy, a tour of City College in San Francisco to view the Diego Rivera Mural. Bus departs from St Michael's at 9 am, returning around 4:30 pm. Total price of \$65 includes round trip bus fare, lunch and tour guide. To register, contact Wilma at 925-447-8198 or wilma.matuska@gmail.com



FORMED is coming to St Michael's this September. FORMED is a revolutionary online platform featuring the best Catholic educational videos, audio talks, radio theater, eBooks all on demand for parishioners from any browser. Think Catholic Netflix... but so much more!

But Ministry Leaders can have a sneak peek and early access this June. Come see how you can use FORMED.org in your ministry:

Wednesday, June 7 from 7:00 pm—9:00 pm in the Convent OR Saturday, June 17 from 9:00 am—11:00 am in the Convent.

RSVP to 925-667-4051 or Grow@StMichaelLivermore.com

Summer Seminar Series with Deacon Steve Greco Mon, June 5 & Tue, June 6

Deacon Steve Greco returns to St Michael's for two nights of praise and worship, inspiring talks and healing services. Join us for one night or both in the church. 6:30 pm Praise & Worship 7:00 pm Talks followed by healing service.

Monday topics include:
"Surrendering to the Father's Love"
and "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit"

Tuesday topics include:
"Winning the Battlefield of the Mind" and "Baptism of the Holy Spirit"

Noticias Parroquiales

Misa del Recuerdo en St Michael's Miercoles 10 MAYO - 7:00 pm

Nos juntamos para recordar a nuestros seres queridos difuntos a las 7:00 p.m. Nuestra Misa Bilingüe nos da la oportunidad de hacer honor a nuestros amados difuntos al celebrar una misa en su nombre. Los motivamos a que traigan una foto de su ser querido en marco y puesto ante el altar durante la misa. El Ritual del recuerdo nos da una oportunidad de venir hacia adelante con una rosa, encender una vela, y hablar sobre las personas que estamos recordando, si así lo desea. Rosas y velas serán dadas. Esta Misa trimestral es patrocinada por el Ministerio de Apoyo de Dolor de St. Michael y St. Charles. Todos están bienvenidos.

Primeras Comuniones de Espanol Sábado 6 y 13 de Mayo a la 1:oopm.

Ven y acompáñemos a estos niños a recibir a Jesus Sacramentado por primera vez y a entrar en Comunión con todos nosotros la Iglesia, pueblo De Dios.



Todos los niños deben ser Bautizados!

Clases para Bautismo: Primer o tercer Sabado del mes en el Convento. Llame a la oficina 925-447-1585 para más información.

EDGE Grupo de Adolescentes Jueves 6:30pm-8:oopm

Todos los adolescentes entre las edades de 11-15 años están invitados a participar en nuestro grupo lleno de divertidas dinámicas y charlas. Para mas informacion:

Lupita Murillo: 925-784-5519

Altavoces viejos se han quitado!

Los altavoces grandes, que no han estado en uso regular durante muchos años, han sido finalmente eliminado. Esto es parte del proyecto de remodelación del Centenario. Usted se dará cuenta de cuánto mayor sea el espacio aparece ahora!

San Miguel escuela de puertas abiertas

Ven hacer un recorrido por la escuela de San Miguel el viernes, 19 de mayo a las 8:00 am, o llame a organizar una visita en una fecha diferente. Ven a ver la diferencia que hace que una educación católica!

Visita smsliv.org o llame 925-447-1888



Reflexiones de Domingo

DUROS DE CORAZÓN

Después de la crucifixión y resurrección, dos de los discípulos iban andando por un camino intentando escapar de la incertidumbre, miedo, remordimiento y culpa que abrigaban. Ellos sentían el mismo lamento de los discípulos que se mencionan en los Hechos y en la primera carta de Pedro. Ellos encontraron a un hombre viajando por el mismo camino y quedaron sorprendidos cuando se dieron cuenta que él no parecía conocer acerca de los acontecimientos de los que venían hablando entre ellos. Estos eventos los estaban consumiendo, les había roto sus corazones, dejado cabizbajos y cegado a la misma persona que se les unía en su camino. Su compañero, Jesús, los lleva hacia un recuento de su tradición, a través de la promesa del Antiguo Testamento que alguien como él vendría, sería asesinado y resucitaría de la muerte. Sin embargo, ellos no lo reconocen solo por sus palabras, no quieren que se vaya. Afortunadamente para ellos, él se queda.

AL PARTIR EL PAN

Pese a todos esos pequeños detalles, los discípulos no reconocieron a Jesús. Permanecieron confundidos con sus propios miedos y no pudieron ver quien estaba justo frente a ellos. Es solo con la bendición, el partir y compartir el pan que ellos de pronto reconocen a Jesús. Sin palabras, un entendimiento que puede penetrar la confusión y el miedo que los discípulos tienen. Por la acción sencilla de partir el pan ellos reconocieron a Jesús. Aun cuando sus "corazones ardían", sus mentes no sabían. ¿Qué tan frecuente no vemos lo que es correcto delante de nosotros porque estamos tan enfocados con nuestras propias preocupaciones, lamentos y miedos? Así como los discípulos, requiere una acción como el partir el pan, un recordatorio de la muerte de Jesús, su sacrificio, para que entendamos que nuestro corazón ya lo sabe.



LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura -- No era posible que Jesús quedara bajo el dominio de la muerte (Hechos 2:14, 22- 33).

Salmo -- Señor, nos mostrarás el sendero de vida (Salmo 16 [15]).

Segunda lectura -- Han sido salvados por la Sangre preciosa de Cristo, como un cordero sin mancha ni defecto. (1 Pedro 1:17-21).

Evangelio -- Reconocieron a Jesús en la fracción del pan (Lucas 24:13-35).



Informe de recaudación

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Boletín en Español

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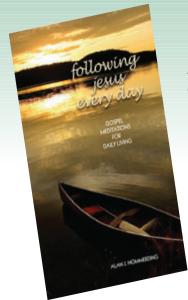
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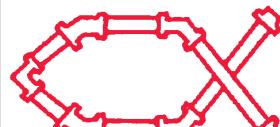
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Mon-Fri | Lu-Vi 7:00 am & 8:30 am
Wed | Mi 7:00 pm (español)
Sat | Sa 8:30 am

Sat Vigil | Vigilia del Sábado
5:00 pm (English), 7:00 pm (español)

Sunday | Domingo
6:45 am, 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am,
12:30 pm (español), 6:00 pm

Sign Language | Lenguaje por Señas
1st Sun, 11:00 am
Primer domingo a las 11:00 am

Vietnamese | Vietnamita
4th Sun, 3:30 pm
Cuarto domingo a las 3:30 pm

Confession | Confesión

Saturday, in the church |
Sábado en la iglesia
9:00 am & 3:45 pm in English
6:15 pm en español

1st & 3rd Wed in the Convent Chapel,
at 2:30 pm in English

Anointing of the Sick |

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1st Saturday after 8:30 am Mass or by
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Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the divine power of God, cast into hell satan, and all the evil spirits, who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



Oracion a San Miguel

Arcangel

O San Miguel, Arcangel
defiendenos en la batalla. Se nuestra
protección contra el mal y las
trampas del Diablo; humildemente
te rogamos que Dios los reprenda.
O Príncipe Celestial de la Santa
Hostia, que con la ayuda de Dios
eches a Satanás al infierno y a los
espíritus que vagan por el mundo
para arruinar las almas. Amén.

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