



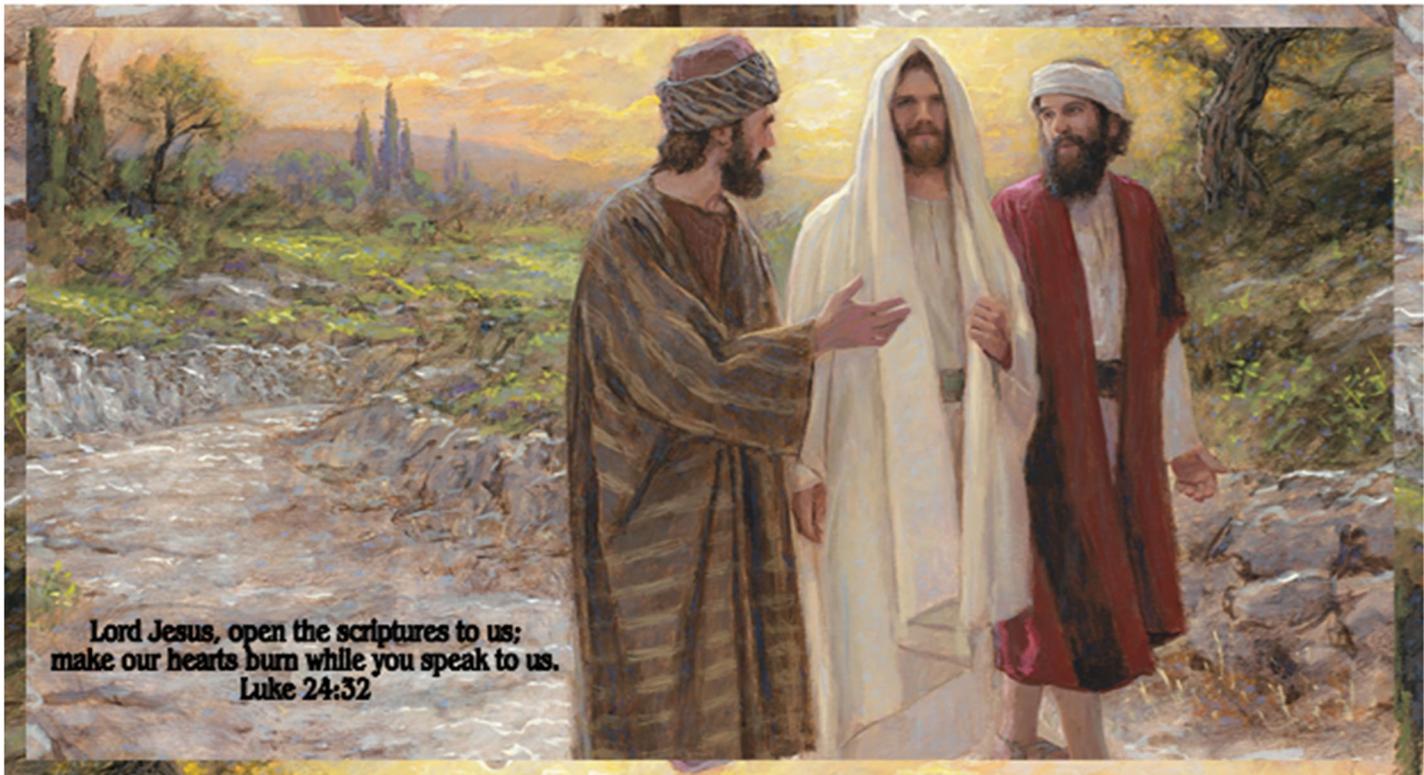
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Third Sunday of Easter ~April 18, 2021



Lord Jesus, open the scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.
Luke 24:32

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Daily Masses: 8:45am Mon.—Sat.

Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil at 4pm
Sundays at 8am, 10am, and Noon (Chinese)

All Masses Livestreamed except Sunday 8am

Confessions: by Appointment or before Sat. Vigil

Office Hours: M-F by Appointment

Baptisms: 2nd Sat. of month, 12:30pm
Baptismal Prep: 3rd Sat. of month, 10:30am

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*Everything written
about me
must be fulfilled*

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Gospel Reflection by Greg Sunter

This week we again see something of the quirky nature of the selection of readings for the Sunday lectionary. This passage from the gospel of Luke immediately follows the magnificent story of the road to Emmaus and the risen Jesus' appearance to two disciples. Rather than hearing that story we have this account that follows; an account that is very similar to the passage of last week in which Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples and dispelled the doubts of Thomas Why select this reading as opposed to the Emmaus story?

. . . . [What] this account gives us that last week's account from the gospel of John did not, is a powerful message about understanding scripture. In the final verses of the passage, Jesus reveals to the disciples that his presence with them is what he'd been talking about when he'd spoken about the fulfillment of the scriptures. And then, "He opened their minds to understand the scriptures." This is an important gospel indication that the scriptures are to be read for understanding and for meaning. It is an imperative that we delve into the scriptures and look for meaning rather than a surface, literal interpretation that is prominent in much of society today.

When Jesus appears in the midst of the disciples, his first words to them are, "Peace be with you!" His appearance among them obviously agitated the disciples who were already hiding, in fear of their lives and devastated by the loss of their leader days earlier. Jesus' calming and reassuring words, "Peace be with you!" recognize the reality of what state the disciples are in. The words demonstrate that Jesus is meeting the disciples "where they are"—he recognizes their distress and fear and responds with words that accept what they're feeling but reassure them of his love and care. They are words that Jesus speaks to us too! © Greg Sunter

FEAST OF FAITH —The Second Reading

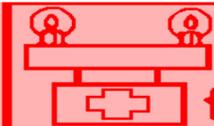
The Liturgy of the Word generally follows a consistent pattern of three readings and a psalm. The second reading is always taken from one of the New Testament epistles or the book of Revelation, and generally is not intentionally aligned with either the Gospel or the first reading. Where would we be without these letters in which great saints and apostles like Paul, Peter, James, and John share their wisdom and pastoral good sense with the early Christian communities? It is in these letters, even more than in the Gospel narratives, that we learn what it means to be church: to live with each other, in the world yet not of the world, in these days after the Lord's resurrection. Each New Testament letter was written by a particular leader for a particular community at a particular time. We are reminded of this at the beginning of the proclamation—"A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians," or the Corinthians, or the Thessalonians. These texts were shaped by their particular historical and cultural context, but at the same time, through the liturgy, these letters are written to us, here, today. They speak to the realities of Christian living no matter where—or when—we live. They are truly "the word of the Lord" for us. —Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Pastor's Column

Beginning Another Chapter – I have some sad news to share with you. Our beloved **Bishop Walsh** has decided to move to St. Anne Home, here in San Francisco, on Wednesday, April 14, 2021. As his mom lived there in her later years and he would often go to visit her there, he developed a wonderful rapport with the Little Sisters of the Poor and it was always his plan to move there when the time came. Well, he feels the time has come. As some of you may have noticed, he hasn't been preaching and hasn't been the main celebrant at mass for the past year. With last month's car accident, the impact has left him feeling a little more delicate. And so the Bishop feels that now is the right time to move to assisted living with the Little Sisters of the Poor.

Fr. Peter and I both feel a great loss because with his presence, we have a great community. He himself finds it hard to leave us as he has many fond memories celebrating mass with you and greeting the kids every morning when they would come to school. But just as the good Lord has been with him throughout his life and ministry, he has no doubts that the good Lord will also be with him in his journey to the next chapter of life. He wishes to express his gratitude to all of you for your kindness and he thoroughly enjoyed being part of this community, a community that he grew up in and was able to return to when he retired from active ministry. He said, "I will miss you all." And so as we are saddened by his departure from us, we entrust him into the care of Jesus' grandmother. Good St. Anne, pray for Bishop Walsh! And pray for us!

—Fr. Dan



Masses for the week

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April 18 to April 24, 2021

Sunday, April 18

8:00 am Helen McQuiller (D) **Presider** Fr. Celestine

10:00 am Parishioners of Saint Anne Fr. Celestine

Noon thanksgiving, Valerie G. Eng Fr. Zhai, SVD

Monday, April 19

8:45 am Jaime Vaquilar (D) Fr. Zhai, SVD

Wassil Rolovich (D)

Richard Salmon (D)

Tuesday, April 20

8:45 am Antonia Salvador (D) Fr. Nascimento

Milagros Rodrigues (D)

Carmen Salbolboro (D)

Wednesday, April 21

8:45 am Rev. Carl Schipper (D) Fr. Zhai, SVD

Anthony Lachinebre (D)

Thursday, April 22

8:45 am Lisa Perry & Elsie Grey (D) Fr. Zhai, SVD

Friday, April 23

8:45 am "B" & "M" O'Connor (D) Fr. Zhai, SVD

Teresa Meneses (D)

Saturday, April 24

8:45 am Confraternity of Saint Anne Fr. Zhai, SVD

5:00 pm thanksgiving, Fedila M. Mison Fr. Celestine

Virginia Del Rosario (D)



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Holy Hour on World Day of Prayer for Vocations Sunday, April 25 @ 3:30 pm

On the World Day of Prayer Vocations, **Sunday, April 25**, please consider offering a special Holy Hour at 3:30 pm to intentionally pray for an increase and strengthening of vocations to the holy orders and consecrated life. All are welcome to join at one of these locations or at home.

- St. Pius, 1100 Woodside Rd., Redwood City
- Church of the Epiphany, 827 Vienna St., San Francisco
- St. Peter, 1200 Florida St., San Francisco
- Mission San Rafael, 1104 Fifth Ave., San Rafael

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FULFILLMENT

It is interesting that during the Easter season, when we do not hear a reading from the Old Testament, it becomes so important. This is particularly true today. Peter's speech begins with a prayer formula familiar to Jews: "The God of Abraham . . ." (*Acts 3:13*). It likewise contains the potent phrases "Holy and Righteous One" and "mouth of all the prophets" (*3:14, 18*). Peter was stating in no uncertain terms that the law, psalms, and prophets had been fulfilled in Christ. This is reinforced by Jesus himself in the Gospel passage, when he states that everything in the scriptures (to the early Christians "the scriptures" were what we call the Old Testament) had to be fulfilled. Above all, Jesus and Peter both emphasize that we are witnesses to all of this, and are sent forth to bear witness to it in the world. The Latin *Missa*, from which our word "Mass" comes, means "sent" (as in "mission"). As we leave Mass today, let us remember to be witnesses to all that has been fulfilled in the risen Christ.

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