

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 30, 2017

On the Road

One central metaphor employed to describe the Christian life is a journey. In today's second reading, Peter addresses the early Christian community: "Conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning" (1 Peter 1:17). When we think of a journey, we normally think of some kind of movement from point A to point B. The Christian journey, begun in the waters of baptism (point A) has as its ultimate destination eternal life with God in heaven (point B). Unfortunately we find ourselves on all kinds of detours along the way. Because of sin, we make foolish turns and sometimes seem unable to detect the presence of the Lord. Today's story of the two disciples on their way to Emmaus illustrates for us the fact that, even when we are dejected or on one of our many detours, the Lord is there, walking right beside us.



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Saints and Special Observances

- Monday: St. Joseph the Worker
- Tuesday: St. Athanasius
- Wednesday: Ss. Philip and James
- Thursday: National Day of Prayer
- Friday: First Friday; Cinco de Mayo
- Saturday: First Saturday



- Diana Águila*
- Mollie Basile*
- Jose Diego*
- Brooke Ellis*
- Pamela Hernandez*
- Brandon Loredó*
- Cesar Paz*
- Vanessa Ramirez*
- Julian Rivera*

**Bishop Robert Barron's Series-
"The Pivotal Players"**

We had a wonderful turnout for our first saint, St. Francis of Assisi. Bishop Barron not only focuses on the life and virtue of his subject but gives us an exciting visual experience in his filming on the locations pertinent to the story. Please join us again as a guest of the parish and the Santa Rosa Women's Club on Tues., May 9th, 11:30 am in the hall for a potluck lunch. Bring your favorite dish and join your fellow parishioners for an hour-long presentation on St. Thomas Aquinas. The program begins at 12:30 pm. Everyone is invited, and feel free to bring a guest. Any questions, please call Linda McFarland (927-2860) or Dianne Dougherty (927-2434). See you there!

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

(April 29-May 5)

- Sat., 5:00 pm- +Remo Belli
+Diane Beck Richardson
Int. Joyce Williams &
Jerry Reynolds
- Sun., 9:00 am- +Melissa Arbegast
+Ana Maria Andalon
Int. Barbara Fiscalini
- Sun., 6:00 pm- People of the Parish
- Mon., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Tues., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Wed., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Thurs., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Fri., 9:00 am- Sick of the Parish

Clergy Study Days

Fr. Mark and all priests in our Diocese will be attending Study Days this week, Monday-Thursday. On those days we will have Communion Services at 9:00 am. Please keep our priests in your prayers.

**First Holy
Eucharist**

- May 6th- 5:00 pm Mass
- May 7th- 9:00 am Mass
- May 13th- 5:00 pm Mass



Parish Offerings

- Plate Collection (4-22/23): \$3,577.00
- Catholic Home Missions: \$ 957.00

Thank You for Your Generosity!

PLEASE PRAY for...Tommye Brennan, Roy Hammond, Alice Blankenship, Kelly Martinez, Joshua Martinez, John Pollock, Irene Hammond, Althea Soto, Virginia Keller, Cherie Snow, John Chisler, Judi Doctor, Maria Celedon.

**Charitable Giving Collection
This Weekend**

We received \$1,140.00 in our January Charitable Giving collection. One half of this was distributed to our Youth Ministry program. The other half was deposited into our Loaves & Fishes charity account. From this account a donation was made to Coast Union Sober Grad, and to individuals for lodging and personal needs. Thank for your continued generosity.



Parish Council

The Council will meet next Sun., May 7th, at 10:30 am in the hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Ministry Opportunity

We are in need of ushers at the 5:00 pm Saturday Mass and the 9:00 am Sunday Mass. Please call Lee McFarland (927-2860) or the parish office (927-4816) if you would like to be a part of this ministry.

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Rosary and Daily Mass

The Rosary is recited Monday-Friday in our parish at 8:30 am, followed by a Mass or Communion Service at 9:00 am. This is a wonderful way to begin your day. Please try to attend.