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SUNDAY LITURGY

**Cancelled until further
notice**

DAILY MASS

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CONFESSION

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Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures
to us; make our hearts burn
while you speak to us.



Sunday 11:00 Mass Televised Lived from St. John's

All other Masses/Liturgies to be said privately by the Priests

Sunday April 26 3rd Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33 / 1 Peter 1:17-21 / Luke 24: 13-35
Irene Ott (*Janet Swanhart*)
Charles Kuzmiak (*Niece, Nancy*)
People of the Parish

Monday April 27 Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 6:8-15 / John 6:22-29
St Anne Society
Lawrence Shellhammer Family (*Wehner Children*)

Tuesday April 28 St Peter Chanel; St Louis Grignon de Montfort

Readings: Acts 7:51-8:1a / John 6:30-35
Charles "Butch" Huffman (*Janet & Rich Horvath*)
Sophie Roman Anniversary (*Family*)

Wednesday April 29 St Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Readings: Acts 8:1b-8 / John 6:35-40
Elmer "Bud" Miller (*Dave & Teri Ponczek*)
Fran & Sam Constantino (*Nancy*)

Thursday April 30 St Pius V, Pope

Readings: Acts 8:26-40 / John 6:44-51
Mary E. Heptner (*Denny Heptner*)
Deacon John Concannon (*Eugene & Brenda Pentz*)

Friday May 1 St Joseph the Worker

Readings: Acts 9:1-20 / John 6:52-29
Henry U. Murillo Birthday Rmbr (*Cha Cha & John Bair*)
Joseph A. Corona (*Wife, Mary*)

Saturday May 2 St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Readings: Acts 9:31-42 / John 6:60-69
Living & Deceased Mmbrs of 1st Catholic Slovak Ladies
Joseph A. Heinrich, Sr. Anniversary (*Dianne O'Shea*)

Sunday May 3 4th Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 2:14a, 36-41 / 1 Peter 2:20b-25 / John 10:1-10
People of the Parish
Elizabeth Molnar Birthday Rmbr (*Mark Swete & Family*)
Anna Lubera (*Kay Kmetz*)

Reflection for the Third Sunday of Easter

While he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened, and they recognized him.

Luke 24: 13-35

God at the front door

In her book, **God of Love: A Guide to the Heart of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam**, writer Mirabai Starr reflects on the many times she unexpectedly ran into . . . *God*:

"Late at night, you think you hear a knocking at the door of your heart. You peer out the window into the darkness, clutch the folds of your robe. Maybe you imagined it. You begin to head back to bed when the knocking comes again, more urgent now.

"'Excuse me?' a voice calls. 'I am a little lost. And hungry.'

"You hesitate for a moment longer, measuring habitual caution against an irrational surge of fearlessness. The scales tip and you throw open your heart-door to greet the stranger there.

"'Welcome home,' you say.

"Only then do you recognize her face. It is God! Moreover, she looks exactly like you.

"Then there are the nights when you bolt the door of your heart, stuff wads of silicone in your ears, and pop a pill so that nothing can reach you. You would like to be available, but your days are long, and your cupboards are bare. You aspire to make each act an offering to the Divine, yet sometimes it is all you can do to take out the garbage without bursting into tears. You wish you could see the face of God in everyone always, but your eyes are clouded by longing and disappointment.

"Besides, the Holy One tends to hide behind preposterous disguises: he is the homeless man lumbering through the park talking to himself in a loud voice, a pint of Cuervo Gold tucked into the back pocket of his jeans; she is the teenager texting her boyfriend and applying mascara at the stoplight after it has turned green; he is the young father gambling away his children's dinner at the Indian casino on his way home from another day at the sewage treatment plant; she is

the elderly woman slowly counting out change at the convenience store when you are late for a job interview; he is the Very Busy Man who does not give you the job.

"You understand that this is why all the sacred teachings remind us to be vigilant: God could pop up anywhere, anytime, and drop his mask. When he does, we must be sure we have treated him like God, no matter how he was behaving."

On the roads we travel to whatever Emmaus is our destination, God appears to us in so many different guises. In all of them, God guides us, nudges us, challenges us, and confronts us: Where are we going? What are we seeking on this journey? How do we experience meaning and purpose in our lives? God makes himself known in the poor, the stranger, the troubled, and so calls forth from us the compassion and mercy and peace of his Easter promise. This Easter, may we become the living sign of the "bread broken" in our generosity and kindness to those who travel these Emmaus roads with us; may we realize God is walking with us in the peace and forgiveness extended to us by our traveling companions.



Pastoral Care Anointing of the Sick for those in grave danger, contact Fr. Jim 934-9605. Individual confessions, contact the rectory, 536-0117.

Prayer of Pope Francis During the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary,
 you always shine on our path
 as a sign of salvation and of hope.
 We entrust ourselves to you,
 Health of the Sick,
 who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain,
 keeping your faith firm.
 You, Salvation of the Roman People,
 know what we need,
 and we are sure you will provide
 so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
 we may return to joy and to feasting
 after this time of trial.
 Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
 to conform to the will of the Father
 and to do as we are told by Jesus,
 who has taken upon himself our
 sufferings and carried our sorrows
 to lead us, through the cross,
 to the joy of the resurrection. Amen



We seek refuge under your protection,
 O Holy Mother of God.
 Do not despise our pleas – we who are
 put to the test – and deliver us from
 every danger.
 O Glorious and Blessed Virgin

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