

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

# JESUS

HIMSELF DREW  
NEAR AND WALKED  
WITH THEM.

— LUKE 24:15 —



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Saturday, April 18

**4:00** PIEDADE CAMPOS & JOAQUIM DeCAMPOS (deceased) by daughters, son-in-law and grandchildren (8th & 38th Anniversary Rem.)

Sunday, April 19 3rd Sunday of Easter

10:00 MARIA GARDINER (deceased) by son David

**Noon Eucharistic Adoration**

1:00 JO-ANNE RODRIGUES (deceased) by friends

3:00 Multi-Parish Confirmation

6:00 RITA C. SULLIVAN (deceased)

Monday, April 20

12:00 HERBERT MHARAPARA (deceased) by Bob and Elizabeth Cusack

Tuesday, April 21 Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00 PHYLLIS ARGENTIERI (deceased) by daughter Jane (24th Anniversary Rem.)

Wednesday, April 22

12:00 DICK HARDY & SAM CORREA (deceased) by Alan and Diane Costantino

Thursday, April 23 Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

12:00 INTENTIONS OF KEITH AUCLAIR by David and Ann Quinn

Friday, April 24 Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr

12:00 ANN MARIE DiLANNA (deceased) by Lorna Orabona

Saturday, April 25 Saint Mark, Evangelist

5:00 DAVID SISTO, CAROL SISTO & JOSEPH PACITO (deceased) by Robert Sisto

Sunday, April 26 4th Sunday of Easter

10:00 BISHOP LOUIS E. GELINEAU & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE GELINEAU FAMILY

**Noon Eucharistic Adoration**

1:00 BARBARA SISCO (deceased)

6:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CABRAL AND SULLIVAN FAMILIES

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**FROM THE RECTOR** - Monsignor Anthony Mancini

My dear Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to share with you the following meditation:

**“Where not our hearts burning?”**

Observe what was the nature of [Jesus’] presence in the Church after his Resurrection. It was this, that he came and went as he pleased; that material substances, such as the fastened doors, were no impediments to his coming; and that when he was present his disciples did not, as a matter of course, know him. Saint Mark says he appeared to the two disciples who were going into the country, to Emmaus, *in another form*. Saint Luke, who gives the account more at length, says that while he talked with them their heart burned within them. And it is worth remarking that the two disciples do not seem to have been conscious of this at the time, but on looking back, they recollected that as *having* been, which did not strike them while it *was*.

For so it was ordained, that Christ should not be both seen and known at once; first he was seen, then he was known. Only by faith is he known to be present; he is not recognized by sight. When he opened his disciples’ eyes, he at once vanished. He removed his visible presence, and left but a memorial of himself. He vanished from sight that he might be present in a sacrament; and in order to connect his visible presence with his presence invisible, he for one instant manifested himself to their open eyes; manifested himself, if I may so speak, while he passed from his hiding place of sight.

Christ has promised he will be with us to the end. How he effects it we know not; in what precisely it consists we know not. We see him not; but we are to believe that we possess him—that we have been brought under the virtue of his healing hand, of his life-giving breath, of the manna flowing from his lips, and of the blood issuing from his side. And hereafter, on looking back, we shall be conscious that we have been thus favored. Christians, on looking back on years past, will feel, at least in a degree, that Christ has been with them, though they knew it not, only believed it, at the time. They will even recollect then the burning of their hearts. Nay, though they seemed not even to believe anything at the time, yet afterwards, if they have come to him in sincerity, they will experience a sort of heavenly fragrance and savor of immortality, when they least expect it, rising upon their minds, as if in token that God has been with them, and investing all that has taken place, which before seemed to them but earthly, with beams of glory.

SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

*Saint John Henry Newman († 1890), a Doctor of the Church, established the Oratory in Birmingham, England, and was a preacher of great eloquence.*

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**Religious Education & Faith Formation**

Classes for Teen Confirmation:

Monday, April 20 at 6:30pm

Classes for First Holy Communion & for children

Gr. 1-8:

Saturday, April 25 at 10:30am.

Bible Study:

Wednesday, April 22 from 7pm-8:30pm



The **Chorus of Westerly** will hold a Concert at the Cathedral, *The Dream of Gerontius*, on **Saturday, April 18 at 7:30 PM.**

**Please note:**

**Mass will be celebrated at 4PM instead of 5PM - the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be cancelled due to the concert.**

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

"Exalted at the right hand of God,  
he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father  
and poured him forth, as you see and hear." (Acts 2:33)

### Psalm:

Lord, you will show us the path of life. (Ps 16)  
Or Alleluia.

### Second Reading:

He was known before the foundation of the world  
but revealed in the final time for you. (1 Pt 1:20)

### Gospel:

Then they said to each other,  
"Were not our hearts burning within us  
while he spoke to us on the way and opened the  
Scriptures to us?" (Lk 24:32)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Like Cleopas, we make our way  
through this world with weary feet and  
disappointed hearts. Christ falls into step  
beside us. He can open our eyes. Will we  
let him?

## Observances for the week of April 19, 2026

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Easter  
**Tuesday:** St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Wednesday:** *Administrative Professionals' Day; Earth Day*  
**Thursday:** St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr  
**Friday:** St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr;  
*Arbor Day*  
**Saturday:** St. Mark, Evangelist  
**Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Easter;  
World Day of Prayer for Vocations



## Virtues, Explained!

This cardinal virtue of temperance is shown in the person who is master of his passions and his attachment to the world. "It ensures the will's mastery over instincts and keeps desires within the limits of what is honorable," we read in the Catechism.

## Blessing for Spring

Dear Lord,  
As this new season begins,  
bring new life to our hearts as well.  
Prune what has grown  
despondent,  
brush back that which darkens  
and clouds.  
As the flowers bud and bloom,  
bless us with new wonder, new  
hope, new promise, new joy.  
Amen.

# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of April 19, 2026

### Sunday:

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8,  
9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

### Monday:

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

### Tuesday:

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

### Wednesday:

Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/  
Jn 6:35-40

### Thursday:

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

### Friday:

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

### Saturday:

1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/  
Mk 16:15-20

### Next Sunday:

Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/  
1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I first read Homer's *Odyssey* as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination: Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present, yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today's Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but **"their eyes were prevented from recognizing him."** (Luke 24:16) He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread. Suddenly their eyes are opened — and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church.

Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways — in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church.

And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are.

— *Father John Muir*