St. Peter Claver Catholic Community





Are We Willing to Be Chosen to Tell The Story Of The Path of Life? 3rd Sunday of Easter – Ac.2:14-33 & Lk.24:13-35 with 1 Pt.1:17-21 – April 23, 2023 By Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R. – Priest in Solidum

We have two narratives of conversations that give us an insight into how the people who experienced the Resurrection came to understand what happened and why it happened. Let us learn from them what could help us and through us help others.

The second reading points to the result of the resurrection in us. "Our faith and hope are in God." We are all on a journey, a sojourn as Peter puts it. We are moving from a wasted life to a life full of meaning discovered by reflecting on what happened.

The Eleven were in the Upper Room. The Holy Spirit had come down on them with Mary in their midst. Peter explained how everything that had happened was part of a set plan and foreknowledge of God. The purpose found by those receiving grace.

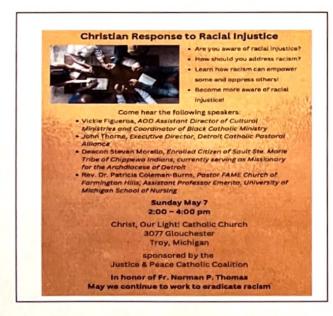
On the road to Emmaus the two were discussing "the things that happened." It did not make sense. It didn't seem to have a set plan or purpose. No different than the way people talk about tragedies like 911 or mass killings.

The only difference for the people who know each other is that a stranger, someone they do not recognize, hears their conversation, and shares a way of seeing and hearing that differs from what they saw.

"Was it not necessary that Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?" The stranger continued to explain what the events meant, and he interpreted to them... At first the two listening could easily have been confused by good out of evil.

Where are we chosen to be placed on the road to Emmaus? Are we represented by the two who are drawing negative results from the death of Jesus? Do we still have the approach to the events of dead to walk away being depressed?

In another place in the letter of Peter, he calls the chosen race to be strangers in a strange land. We are chosen to take the place of the stranger. When is the stranger recognized? When the two welcome the stranger to eat with them... Are we willing to be recognized in the Breaking of the Bread seeing life coming out of death?





Our Mission Statement

Having reflected on the "four faces of our parish," St. Peter Claver Catholic Community, chosen by the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, and under the guidance of Mary, resolves that: 1) we will provide more opportunities for deepening prayer life and faith life for youth, young adults, and adults; 2) we will initiate efforts to reach out and re-connect with those individuals and families who have disconnected from the Church; 3) we will collaborate with other faith communities and organizations within our parish to offer ecumenical events/activities (e.g., neighborhood clean-ups, prayer meetings, health fairs); and, 4) we will utilize resources within our parish community to advocate for education and to promote social justice issues.



Sunday April 23rd 10:00 am Mass at MC and via Zoom Celebrant: Fr. John Phelps Priest in Solidum

Minister of Service: Mary Caroline Jonah

Lector: Jay Jones

Tuesday

Sunday

2:00 pm Knights of Peter Claver (TBD)

10:00 am St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon

14400 Puritan St. Detroit 48227

7:00 pm Formation Team Meeting

PH and via Zoom

Wednesday 11:00 am Lectio Divina via Zoom Saturday 11:00 am KPC Council 299 Meeting

April 30th 10:00 am Mass at MC and via Zoom

Celebrant: Fr. John Phelps Priest in Solidum Minister of Service: Bill Tidwell Lector: Arianna Caderao

Legend: PH=Parish House; MC=Marygrove College Church refers to the Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove



Pope calls for end to culture of waste, indifference. Bishop John Arnold of Salford, England, reads his greetings to Pope Francis during an audience at the Vatican April 20, 2023. The bishop was part of an interfaith delegation from Manchester that included Anglican, Jewish, Sikh and Hindu representatives, pledging their commitment to tackling climate change. (CNS

Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Intercessory Prayer Team

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Also, Please Remember in Prayer:

Wayne Bradley, Olivia Boulden, Christopher Durant, Rochelle Evans, Andre Fox, Kiara Harris, Marley Jonah, Mary Caroline Jonah, Johnetta Mutes, Elke Rittenhouse, Elaine Ryles, Terrence Tidwell, Charles Tilghman, Jon Viado,

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Mass: Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Church (check the bulletin for holy days and special services)

Reconciliation: Before Mass by Appointment Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 10 am-2 pm After hours please contact the Administrative Coordinator Patricia Woods at (313) 342-5292

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