

April 23, 2023: 3rd Sunday of Easter

"Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus."

Luke 24:13-35

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

Office Administrator: **Chelo Escalona**

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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am

Mass During Week: Wednesdays and Thursdays at 7 pm.

Daily mass is cancelled any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

Bible Study: Bible study will resume on Sundays at 7pm.
Holy Hour of Adoration: Post-poned until further notice.
Reconciliation: By request.
Marriages: Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.
Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.
Family Connections: At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.
St. Vincent de Paul: To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS

April 15th – April 16th, 2023

Regular Sunday	\$2,427.00
Building Fund	170.00
Envelope Cost	5.00
Votive Candles	38.25
Mass Stipends	30.00
Word Among Us	5.00
Catholic Missions in Canada	50.00
Development & Peace	60.00
Good Friday (Holy Lands)	45.00
St. Vincent de Paul	170.00
Roof Donation	250.00
Residential Schools	50.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Wed. 7 pm	Marie C. Byrne
Thu. 7 pm	Brian Griffin & Mary Wheeler
Sat. 4:30 pm	Gus & Irene Romboldt
Sun. 11 am	Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 29	
John Carroll	Marie Pennell
April 30	
Victoria Murphy	Joe Byrne
Communion to the sick – Joan Penney	

PARISH DUES: Received Parish dues from Assumpta Roche.

COFFEE TIME: Our Parish Outreach Committee will continue coffee time after masses on Sunday mornings. Come join us for a cup of tea or coffee and maybe a little snack. This is the time to share with your brothers and sisters and also welcome new members.

THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS AND ITS STANDING COMMITTEE FOR FAMILY AND LIFE:

warmly extends an invitation to families, parishes, dioceses, and faith communities to celebrate together the National Family & Life Week from May 7-14, 2023. A Pastoral Toolkit has been prepared to support dioceses and eparchies to promote National Family and Life Week (NFLW) The theme chosen for this year is Jesus’ words, “Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another” (John 13:34) The Pastoral Toolkit includes the following: Message from the CCCB President Catechesis for Families and Parishes Daily Prayers and Activities for Families and Parishes Social Media Campaign of Daily Saints Pastoral suggestions for Mass Official Logo Promotional Video Communications Toolkit For more information, contact Michelle Dabrowski at m.dabrowski@cccb.ca

PARISH OUTREACH: This committee, consisting of, Marie Pennell (709-388-5090), Gerard Deveaux (709-638-4411), Pat Moore (709-785-2440), and Tony Griffin (709-632-5755) are offering to bring communions and provide a pastoral visit to those who wish to have this ongoing contact. They are also exploring social activities for the parish as a whole. Please support them in their efforts. Please call them if you or a family member wish to avail of this service.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
St. Bonaventure's Military Tribute Dinner
May 9th, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Legion Branch
56 Pleasantville.

Contact Brother Gerry Puddister 709 685 4785
Contact Brother Brian Kennedy 709 727 5288
Contact D E Long SW 709 764 5402

LADIES GROUP MEETING:

The ladies will be meeting on **April 24th at 1:30 p.m.** in the church meeting room. All members are asked to please attend.

ORIENTATION WORKSHOP: Holy Redeemer Parish will be holding a Liturgy of the Word Orientation Workshop on **Wednesday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m.** at the lower level of the Cathedral.

LAY VISITORS’ SEMINAR: **Tuesday, May 2nd. 10am., at Holy Redeemer Cathedral.** We need people to assist with visitation specially to Long Term Care here in Corner Brook. Participation is welcome from All Hallows, Cathedral, Sacred Heart, and Star of the Sea Parishes. If you think you might like to participate in this outreach ministry, kindly come to this gathering; or contact your parish leadership. Remember, "I was sick, and you visited me." Matthew 25:36.

FAMILY CATECHETICS 2022-2023:

The Family Catechetics program for children (Kindergarten to Year Six and Confirmation) is underway. New registrations are welcome! All classes begin at 6:30 unless otherwise noted and will be in the lower level of the Cathedral. Forms can be picked up at the Parish Office or sent via email. They can be returned with the fees via fax, email or in person. Contact Angie Dolomount at angie.dolomount@gmail.com, 631-4543 or the parish office for more Info.

April Schedule:

Year Three: Monday, April 24th
Year Four: Tuesday, April 25th
Year Five: Wednesday, April 26th
Year Six: Tuesday, April 25th - 7:30 pm.

SYMPATHY: Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Sadie Carew who died this week. Let us remember her at prayer.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE: Wednesday, April 26th is the feast of our patron saint, Our Lady of Good Counsel. The morning Mass on **April 26th** will be attended by the CWL members. We invite and encourage any CWL member in the parish to attend as we remember and pray for our deceased members. Please join us as will join in friendship after Mass.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: This preparation will take place on **Monday, April 24th at 7:00 pm** at the Cathedral. This is for parents and Godparents. Call the office at 634-5161 to register.

SPRING CONCERT: **May 7th at 8:00 pm** at the All Saints Anglican Church on Clarence Street - Tickets are \$10.00 and are available from choir members or the door.

UNCOMMON PRAISE: will be having a Prayer and Praise Service at St Michael’s on Park Drive on **Sunday, April 23rd at 7:00 pm.** All are welcome.

SACRED HEART PARISH CONCERT: Thank you to the musicians, the volunteers, and all who attended our concert on April 16th. With your help we made \$2,506.25 for the parish. Great job!!!

HUMOUR: