



April 26, 2020

## THOUGHTS FROM FR. G

We were supposed to be celebrating with our children as they received their First Holy communion during these Sundays of Easter, but unfortunately the COVID-19 has forced us to postpone these important moments in their lives. We still are not sure when we will be able to gather physically once again to worship, but once that becomes clear we will plan to celebrate with these youngsters and their families. In the meantime, I ask you to please pray for them, so that their excitement will not diminish, and they will be open to the Lord's presence in their lives.

So many "life events" have changed due to the restrictions necessary to contain the spread of the virus, and we find ourselves in the unbelievable reality of having loved ones die alone and not even being able to celebrate a Funeral Mass and experience the various rituals that normally help us cope with loss. Couples who planned to marry are forced to postpone their wedding, since they cannot even obtain a Marriage License in these days. Children are born and grandparents cannot even visit and hold them in the hospital. Students without internet or computers are out of luck as their peers try to keep up with remote learning. So much has changed in our lives! And yet... there is no ban on loving one another, on kindness, on generosity, on hope. I see the comments of parishioners online that encourage one another and try to spread "good news". We can never give in to negativity, even though it sometimes seems as though everything is dark. Our God is mighty and loving and desires to fill us with His Spirit! We must hold on to that and find the positive effects of our new reality. For example, I have found myself reaching out more to friends from my past, reconnecting after losing touch. Find your own positive outcomes and share them with others so that the world can begin to understand that the connection between the cross and resurrection is not just something that was real 2,000 years ago, but is part of our lives as well.

Continued thanks to those who are donating automatically through our E-giving program or their own online banking, as well as the many who are mailing their contributions to the office. We are receiving approximately 50% of the normal offerings, and I am grateful for your generous concern for the needs of our parish.

Please do not forget to check out my daily message on our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/OLLSeafordDE](http://www.facebook.com/OLLSeafordDE)) and also our webpage ([www.OLLSeaford.org](http://www.OLLSeaford.org)). Follow us, like us and share us so that others can participate as well.

Have a safe week, everyone, and Happy Easter! May God bless you and your loved ones.  
Fr. Giuliano

### A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS **HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

**"With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to one another 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?' So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying 'The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon.'"**

A beautiful book entitled 'Walking with Jesus' consists of the teachings of Pope Francis. It covers a wide variety of topics, enabling the reader to listen, learn and find Jesus present in so many ways today.

The walk of the two disciples to Emmaus was so special. Cleopas, was named by Luke, and perhaps I am the second person, now joined by Jesus. He continues to accompany us, but sometimes our eyes are closed or we are unable to recognize Him. He walks with us as we meet the poor. He talks with us, as we listen to the hurts of victims of injustice. He calls us to remedy unjust conditions as racism, xenophobia or discrimination.

My task today is to open my eyes to the reality of my world. Where can I find the Lord and how do I treat Him? The bottom line for those who were walking is that He revealed Himself in the breaking of the bread. He reveals Himself to us today in the same action of the Eucharist. 'Lord I want to see.'



26 de Abril de 2020

## **PENSAMIENTOS DE PADRE GIULIANO**

Se suponía que íbamos a celebrar con nuestros hijos cuando recibieron su Primera comunión durante estos domingos de Pascua, pero desafortunadamente el COVID-19 nos ha obligado a posponer estos momentos importantes en sus vidas. Todavía no estamos seguros de cuándo podremos reunirnos físicamente una vez más para adorar, pero una vez que quede claro, planearemos celebrar con estos jóvenes y sus familias. Mientras tanto, le pido que ore por ellos, para que su entusiasmo no disminuya y estén abiertos a la presencia del Señor en sus vidas.

Muchos "eventos de la vida" han cambiado debido a las restricciones necesarias para contener la propagación del virus, y nos encontramos en la increíble realidad de tener seres queridos que mueren solos y ni siquiera poder celebrar una misa fúnebre y experimentar los diversos rituales que normalmente nos ayudan a lidiar con la pérdida. Las parejas que planearon casarse se ven obligadas a posponer su boda, ya que ni siquiera pueden obtener una Licencia de matrimonio en estos días. Los niños nacen y los abuelos ni siquiera pueden visitarlos y retenerlos en el hospital. Los estudiantes sin Internet o computadoras no tienen suerte ya que sus compañeros intentan mantenerse al día con el aprendizaje remoto. ¡Tanto ha cambiado en nuestras vidas! Y sin embargo... no está prohibido de amarse unos a otros, de la amabilidad, la generosidad, la esperanza. Veo los comentarios de los feligreses en línea que se animan mutuamente y tratan de difundir "buenas noticias". Nunca podemos ceder ante la negatividad, aunque a veces parezca que todo está oscuro. ¡Nuestro Dios es poderoso y amoroso y desea llenarnos con Su Espíritu! Debemos aferrarnos a eso y encontrar los efectos positivos de nuestra nueva realidad. Por ejemplo, me he encontrado llegando más a amigos de mi pasado, volviendo a conectar después de perder el contacto. Encuentre sus propios resultados positivos y compártalos con otros para que el mundo pueda comenzar a comprender que la conexión entre la cruz y la resurrección no es solo algo que era real hace 2.000 años, sino que también es parte de nuestras vidas.

Continuación gracias a aquellos que están donando automáticamente a través de nuestro programa de donación electrónica o su propia banca en línea, así como a los muchos que envían sus contribuciones a la oficina. Estamos recibiendo aproximadamente el 50% de las ofertas normales, y estoy agradecido por su generosa preocupación por las necesidades de nuestra parroquia. No olvide consultar mi mensaje diario en nuestra página de Facebook ([www.facebook.com/OLLSeafordDE](http://www.facebook.com/OLLSeafordDE)) y también en nuestra página web ([www.OLLSeaford.org](http://www.OLLSeaford.org)). Síguenos, dale me gusta y comparte para que otros también puedan participar.

¡Que tengan una semana segura para todos y feliz Pascua! Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus seres queridos.

P. Giuliano

## **UNA FRESCA PERSPECTIVA DE LAS LECTURAS DOMINICALES SU PALABRA HOY *por el Reverendo William J. Reilly***

**“Entonces los ojos de los discípulos se abrieron y lo reconocieron, pero él había desaparecido de su vista. Y se decían: ‘¿No ardía acaso nuestro corazón, mientras nos hablaba en el camino y nos explicaba las Escrituras?’ En ese mismo momento, se pusieron en camino y regresaron a Jerusalén. Allí encontraron reunidos a los Once y a los demás que estaban con ellos, y estos les dijeron: ‘Es verdad, ¡el Señor ha resucitado y se apareció a Simón!’”**

Un bello libro titulado ‘Caminando con Jesús’ consiste en las enseñanzas del Papa Francisco. Cubre una amplia variedad de temas, permitiendo al lector escuchar, aprender y encontrar a Jesús presente de muchas formas hoy.

El camino de los dos discípulos a Emaús fue muy especial. Cleofás, nombrado por San Lucas, y quizás yo sea la segunda persona, ahora unidos por Jesús. Él continúa acompañándonos, aunque a veces nuestros ojos están cerrados o no somos capaces de reconocerlo. Él camina con nosotros al encontrarnos con los pobres. Él camina con nosotros cuando escuchamos el dolor de las víctimas de injusticia. Nos llama a que remedemos condiciones injustas como racismo, xenofobia o discriminación.

Mi tarea hoy es abrir mis ojos a la realidad de mi mundo. ¿En dónde puedo encontrar al Señor y cómo lo trato? La conclusión para aquellos que caminaban es que Él se reveló a sí mismo al partir el pan. Él se nos revela hoy con la misma acción de la Eucaristía. ‘Señor, quiero ver.’



# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

# APRIL 26, 2020

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	♥ Angela Smedley	Mary & Jim Delclos
Sunday	<b>April 26, 2020</b> † Margaret Wagner † Robert Heyssel Jr. † William J. Gralka †♥ People of the Parish	Jan Lennon Maria Heyssel Gerry Mitchell
Monday	† Lourdes Alfafara	George & Roseanne Nicoletos
Tuesday	† Peter Juknelis	Anonymous
Wednesday	† Roland Delozier	Jean Edwards
Thursday	† Nelson Torres	Maria Perez
Saturday	† Alfred Uebele	Joanne Uebele
Sunday	<b>May 3, 2020</b> † Gerald D. Palmer † Pete Juknelis † Wanda Novak †♥ People of the Parish	John & Sandy Martin Louise & Bob Gay Carla & Al Todd
	† Person is deceased	♥ Person is Living

Offertory Donations		Apr. 19, 2020
Weekly Offering		\$3730

**Thank you to all who continue to make contributions to the Church, whether through the mail or using E-Giving. God bless!**

### POSITION AVAILABLE

We are currently accepting letters of interest for the position of Director of Liturgical Music. A candidate for this part-time position should be a musician who is able to accompany the singing at our weekend Masses, coordinate all other musicians and singers, and help form a working Liturgy Committee to assist in the planning of our liturgical celebrations. Please send a letter of interest with a resume to Fr. Giuliano ([giuliano@ollseaford.org](mailto:giuliano@ollseaford.org), or 528 E. Stein Hwy, Seaford, DE 19973) if you would like to be considered.

### ONLINE GIVING

With the suspension of Masses, we also are not receiving the weekly offertory from a majority of our parishioners. The exception is for those who are enrolled in our Online Giving Program. I urge you to consider going to our website ([www.OLLSeaford.org](http://www.OLLSeaford.org)) and clicking on the "E-giving" link to participate in this easy and safe way to make your contributions to our parish. Naturally, our bills do not stop just because we do not have a weekly collection. Utilities, salaries, etc. all need to be paid, and we rely on your generosity to keep our parish from falling behind in any of these bills. Thank you for your consideration!

### DANDO EN LÍNEA

Con la suspensión de misas, tampoco estamos recibiendo la oferta semanal de la mayoría de nuestros feligreses. La excepción es para aquellos que están inscritos en nuestro Programa de Donación en Línea. Le insisto a que considere ir a nuestro sitio web ([www.OLLSeaford.org](http://www.OLLSeaford.org)) y vayan en el enlace "E-giving" para participar de esta manera fácil y segura de hacer sus contribuciones a nuestra parroquia. Naturalmente, nuestras cuentas no se paran solo porque no tenemos una colección semanal. Las utilidades, los salarios, etc. necesitan ser pagados, y confiamos en su generosidad para evitar que nuestra parroquia se quede atrás en cualquiera de estas facturas. ¡Gracias por su consideración!

### PREP INFORMATION

Because of the ongoing crisis, and the impossibility to gather catechists and organize registration, we will not be able to offer a Summer Session this year. We will be getting out information regarding next year's PREP and are grateful for your patience and understanding.

### INFORMACIÓN DE PREP

Debido a la crisis en curso, y la imposibilidad de reunir a los catequistas y organizar el registro, no podremos ofrecer una Sesión de Verano este año. Vamos a obtener información sobre el PREP del próximo año, y estamos agradecidos por su paciencia y comprensión.

## **BUILDING FUND LOANS**

After consulting with a number of people and receiving feedback from parishioners, we are going to proceed with the loan program for our Building Fund. Because many of the pledges will not be paid off by the completion of the building and we need to pay the entire cost this spring, we need help to make up that difference. Additionally, the parish has to pay separately for some of the finishes, such as flooring, phones, IT and cabinetry. By means of \$1,000 interest-free loan, you can help us pay for the construction and finishing of our new Parish Office Building. We will begin repaying these loans at a minimum of one per month in July 2021. If you are interested in extending a \$1,000 interest-free loan to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, please fill out the form below and return it to us as soon as possible and we will mail you the required paperwork to return with your check. You can drop this form off at the office, mail it or drop it in the collection basket next week.

Thank you for your consideration and faithful stewardship to our parish!

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I am interested in making a \$1,000 interest-free loan to my parish. Please send me the required form.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

If you receive a message asking you to buy gift cards for someone in need, **DO NOT RESPOND!** This is a scam where bad people pretend to be me, another priest or even the bishop and try to get unsuspecting targets to buy gift cards and give them the information to redeem them. **I WILL NEVER CONTACT ANYONE AND ASK THEM TO DO THIS!!!** Be careful and protect yourself. The only safe way to help those in need here at the parish is to contribute to the St. Vincent DePaul Society.



### **NOTICIA IMPORTANTE**

Si recibe un mensaje pidiéndole que comprare tarjetas de regalo para alguien que lo necesite, ¡**NO RESPONDA!** Esta es una estafa donde la gente mala pretende ser yo, otro sacerdote o incluso el obispo y tratar de conseguir objetivos desprevenidos para comprar tarjetas de regalo y darles la información para redimirlos. ¡¡**NUNCA ME PONDRÉ EN CONTACTO CON NADIE Y PEDIRÉ QUE ELLOS HAGAN ESTO!!!** Ten cuidado y protéjense. La única manera seguro de ayudar a los necesitados aquí en la parroquia es contribuir a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul.



**First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33**

After the Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles, Peter preaches with great enthusiasm to both Jews and Christians. He recalls for them in vivid terms the miracles and wonders that Jesus performed.

**Primera Lectura: Hechos 2:14, 22-33**

Luego de que el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre los apóstoles, Pedro predicó con gran entusiasmo tanto a los judíos como a los cristianos. Les recuerdo con gran detalle los milagros y maravillas que Jesús ha hecho.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21**

Peter makes reference to the Passover, when the Jews escaped from Egypt because the blood of the paschal lamb was shed. Now they are being saved from sin by the blood of Christ, the Lamb of the New Testament.

**Segunda Lectura: 1 Pedro 1:17-21**

San Pedro hace referencia a las festividades de pascua, cuando los judíos escaparon de Egipto pues la sangre del cordero pascual había sido derramada. Ahora se salvarían del pecado por medio de la sangre de Cristo, el Cordero del Nuevo Testamento.

**Gospel: Luke 24:13-35**

Jesus reveals Himself to two disciples on the way to Emmaus. After explaining to them the passages in Scripture which referred to Him, Christ "took bread, broke it, and distributed it to them." Then they recognized Christ and their "hearts burned within them."

**Evangelio: San Lucas 24:13-35**

Jesús se muestra a dos discípulos en camino a Emaús. Luego de explicarles los pasajes de las Escritura que se refieren a El, Cristo "tomó el pan, lo partió, y se los dio." Entonces ellos reconocieron a Cristo y "el corazón les ardía en el pecho".



**Sunday/ Domingo**

Acts/ Hech 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pt/Pe 1:17-21; Lk/Lc 24:13-35

**Monday/ Lunes**

Acts/ Hech 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday/ Martes**

Acts/ Hech 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday/ Miércoles**

Acts/ Hech 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday/ Jueves**

Acts/ Hech 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

**Friday/ Viernes**

Acts/Hech 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 or/o Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday/ Sábado**

Acts/Hech 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Dear Friends:

Our SVdP conference at Our Lady of Lourdes (in western Sussex Co, DE) has been tremendously impacted by the inability of parishioners to attend Mass. Our on-the-ground, Poor Box warriors can't get to the Poor Boxes to donate. At this time, we need to reach out to the greater community so that we can continue to help those who are truly in need. Your generous support will enable us to continue to put your treasure to work where it is most needed. Checks can be made out to "Society of St. Vincent de Paul, OLL" and can be mailed to SVdP, c/o 28 N. Pine Street, Ext. Seaford, DE 19973.

Please know that your charitable donations are tax deductible under our IRS 501 (c) (3) status. May our healing God bless you and keep you,

Miss Lynne, member SVdP,

