

Our Lady of the Desert



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Confesión el Sábado:

Por cita en (Español y Inglés)

Rosario el Sábado: Y Letanías de la Santísima
Virgen Maria—3:20pm

Misa el Sábado: (Vigilia) / Inglés 4:00 p.m.

Rosario el Domingo: Y Letanías de la Santísima
Virgen Maria— 9:40am

Misa el Domingo: Español /10:00 a.m.

Liturgia en los Días de la Semana

Cada Día a las Doce: Angelus/Regina Caeli

Lunes: Adoración 7:30am y Misa a las 8:00am

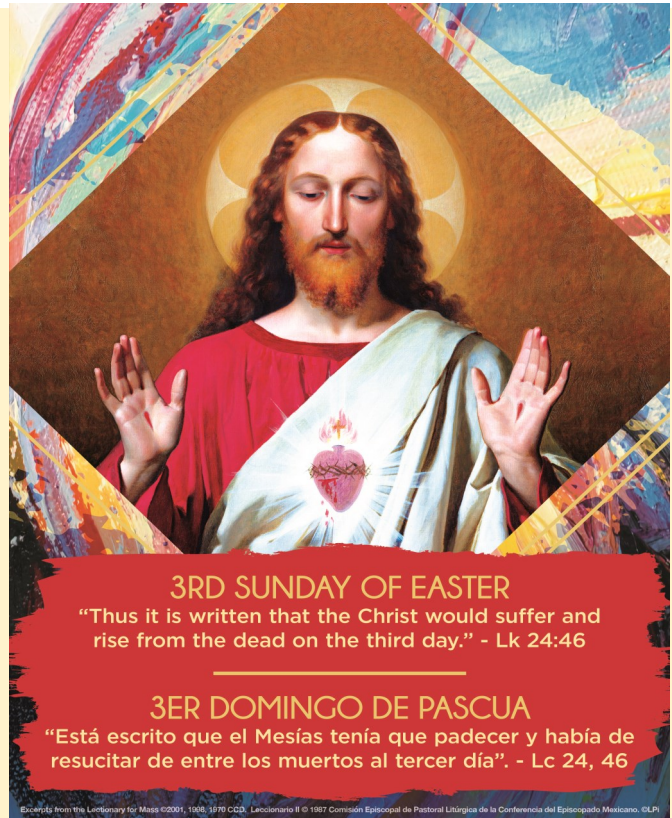
Martes, Miércoles Jueves, Viernes:

Adoración 7:30am y Misa 8:00am

Viernes: a las 6:00pm Rosario Reina de la Paz
con Adoración

Sábado: Adoración: 7:30am y a las 8:00am

Misa en Honor de Virgen María



April 14th, 2024

Rev. Victor C. Yakubu, Parochial Administrator
Rev. Julius Kayiwa, Parochial Vicar

Confession on Saturday:

By appointment English/Spanish

Saturday Rosary: With Litanies of the Blessed Virgin
Mary - 3:20pm

Saturday Mass (Vigil): English -4:00 p.m.

Sunday Rosary: With Litanies of the Blessed Virgin
Mary—9:40am

Sunday Mass: Spanish 10:00am

Liturgy of the Weekdays

Every day at Noon: Angelus/Regina Caeli

Monday: 7:30am Adoration & Mass 8:00am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:

Adoration 7:30am & Mass 8:00am

Friday: At 6:00pm Rosario of Queen of Peace with
Adoration

Saturday: Adoration: 7:30 a.m. & 8:00 a.m. Mass
In Honor of the Virgin Mary

Reflection for Third Sunday of Easter : Year B
Third Sunday of Easter – April 14, 2024
Fr. Matthew Duclos

Readings: Acts 3:13–15, 17–19 • Psalm 4:2, 4, 7–8, 9 • 1 John 2:1–5a • Luke 24:35–48 bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/041424.cfm moment where our encounter with Christ transcends the ordinary and leads us to a deeper understanding of his presence among us.

It's been said that the more you get to know someone, the more you realize that there is so much more to know about that person. If I learn tomorrow that my friend is a rock climber, all of a sudden more questions pop up: When did you start? Where do you go? How do you train? Learning this one fact makes me realize there's a whole lot more I don't know about the person.

What does it mean to actually *know* someone, not just know about them, but to actually know them through and through? Although my parents, married for over 35 years at this point, certainly know each other very well, they are still learning new things about each other.

Today's passage occurs just after Jesus' appearance on the Road to Emmaus. Two of them were walking on the road discussing all of the things that had occurred, namely the death and reports of the resurrection of Jesus, and Jesus himself began to walk with them. But, as Luke recounts, they "were prevented from recognizing him." Only after they invited Jesus to stay with them did they recognize him as he broke bread for them at the table.

We are in this year of Eucharistic Revival, a time for parishes throughout the country to preach and teach about the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Jesus Christ is fully present, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Eucharist, a gift freely given to the Apostles and indeed to each of us. And it is so often through this gift of the Eucharist that we come to encounter Christ, especially at Mass. We share the experience of the early Christians by how we recognize Jesus as the one truly present when we receive Him at the altar.

In the Sacrament of the Eucharist, we are invited into a profound encounter with the living Christ. It's not merely a symbolic gesture or a remembrance of past events; rather, it's a sacramental reality where the divine intersects with the human. This profound mystery of faith enables us to not only remember but to actively participate in the salvific work of Christ. As we partake of the Eucharist, we are united with Christ and with one another in a communion of love and grace, echoing the intimacy experienced by the disciples at Emmaus. The Eucharist becomes a pivotal

Yet, although the disciples know who Jesus is and they have experienced him first-hand, they are still "startled and terrified" in the presence of Christ. He has to reassure them, inviting them to feel his wounds. He has to teach them that he indeed is the fulfillment of the prophets, he is the Christ who suffered and died and rose on the third day for the forgiveness of sins.

How do we get to know Christ? We can know a lot about him and develop a laundry list of facts and figures that describe things about Jesus, but can we claim, like the Apostles did, to *know* him? Not know about him, but *know* him? John's letter speaks about this in our second reading, he says "those who say, 'I know him,' but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them." Meaning that we learn to know Christ through his commandments, through what he teaches us about how to act.

Understanding Christ involves more than intellectual knowledge; it encompasses a personal, lived experience of his teachings. This experiential knowing is rooted in our daily interactions with his commandments, where we align our actions with his teachings. It's in the moments of applying his principles to our lives that we truly grasp the essence of who he is. By embodying his love, compassion, and mercy in our actions, we not only understand Christ intellectually but also connect with him on a deeper, spiritual level. This transformative process allows us to move beyond mere acquaintance to a profound intimacy with the Savior, shaping our relationship with him in profound ways.

Our relationship with the Lord is an ongoing one, and we continue to know Him and know about Him. We pray that the Lord continue to shine his face on us, continue to answer us in prayer, to have pity on us and place gladness into our hearts. We can know Christ in any number of ways, yet the most powerful is just as his early followers recognized him: through the breaking of the bread.

***Fr. Victor is scheduled
To be at “Our Lady of the Desert”
the 4th Sunday of every month. (Dates are subject to change)***



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, “If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!” As a lifelong late-arriver, it’s something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the “it counts” is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

The famous “Road to Emmaus” story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: *Word*, followed by *Eucharist*. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus’ presence in the “breaking of the bread.”

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that’s precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too!

— *Father John Muir*

Readings for the week of April 14, 2024

Sunday:

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/
1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

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:

Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/
Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday:

Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28,
29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The author of life you put to death,
but God raised him from the dead; of this
we are witnesses. (Acts 3:15)

Psalm:

Lord, let your face shine on us. (Ps 4)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

He is expiation for our sins,
and not for our sins only but for those of the
whole world. (1 Jn 2:2)

Gospel:

"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer
and rise from the dead on the third day." (Lk 24:46)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

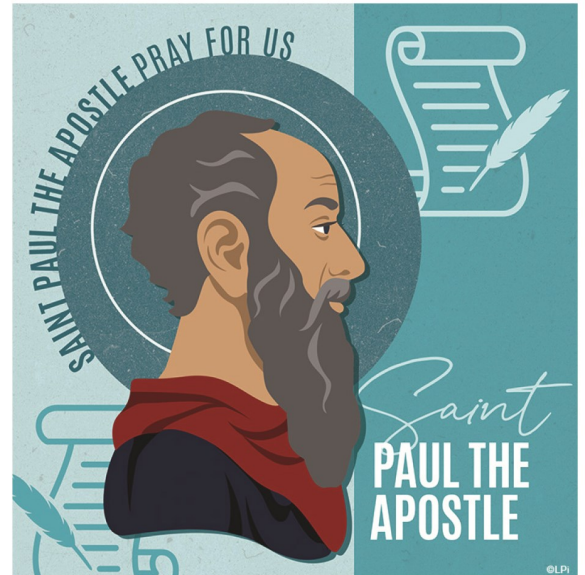
Sometimes when God appears in our path, we do not recognize him. In these moments, Jesus invites us to reach out and touch him. Remember that Christ is real, Christ is alive, and Christ stands before each one of us — so reach out. Touch him.

Observances for the week of April 14, 2024

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter

Monday: Tax Day

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer
for Vocations



Saint of the week

St. Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles, was the most prolific Christian missionary of all time. Due to a miraculous experience that he had on the road to Damascus, he went from persecuting early Christians to traveling all over the region preaching the Gospel of Jesus.

Prayer in Times of Darkness

Dear Jesus,
When I feel troubled, alone,
frightened, be with me. Be a
flicker of flame in this darkness.
Help me to know you in the stark
seasons as I do in times of elation.
You are the light I seek.
Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The Twist Ending

Any reader of psychological thrillers will come across the “dead main character trope” fairly often. This is the famous Sixth Sense twist ending (I would say “spoiler alert,” but the movie is older than most of the people who work in Youth Ministry at your archdiocese, so you’ve probably seen it by now) where the reader finds that the main character has been dead for all or most of the story.

I’m always a little disappointed when this happens. It delivers shock value, sure, but it also undermines everything that happens in the story. You’ve come on a journey with this character, only to find out that nothing you saw transpire was real in the way you thought it was. You feel a little stupid, because the whole time you only had part of the truth.

I suspect Jesus knows this about us. He knows we don’t like to have the rug pulled out. It’s why he is so up-front about his humanity following the resurrection. See how Jesus, resurrected, shows the disciples his feet, his hands. See how he asks them for food and lets them watch him eat it. See how this creates in them an understanding, a belief.

The humanity of Jesus Christ is absolutely crucial. It’s what bridges the divide between the sons of Eve and the God she defied. Our reconciliation with God cannot happen unless human flesh pays the price that will balance the scales. Human flesh: skin that can tear and bleed, bones that can break, a mouth that can thirst, a stomach that can ache with hunger.

The passion and death of Jesus Christ is not a thriller with a twist ending: *he was a ghost the whole time!* The twist, if anything, is this: he was human the whole time.

“Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.” — Luke 24:39

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

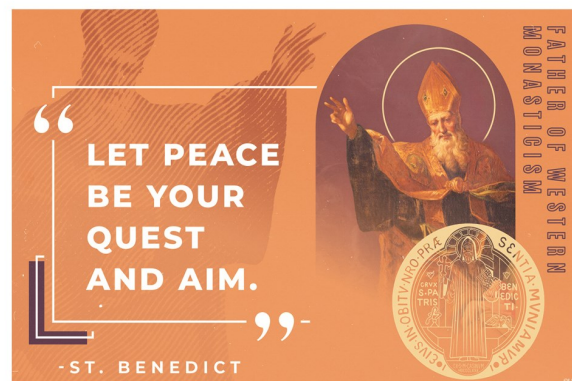
Question:

I’ve heard that we become angels when we die. Is this what the Church teaches?

Answer:

As human beings, we are both spiritual and corporeal. We are body and soul. This makes us unique in all creation. No other physical creature — plant or animal — possesses an immortal soul made in God’s image and likeness. Like the distinction with plants and animals, angels have an entirely different sort of existence. Angels are pure immortal spirit, and they have been so since the moment of their creation. While they may take on an appearance of a body in Biblical history, they are not a body like we are. Angels are neither male nor female, despite the art we often see.

As the result of the Fall, human beings experience death. Our souls are temporarily separated from our bodies. However, we do not become something other than human. Every Sunday in the Creed we profess “I believe in the resurrection of the body.” As Jesus was united with his body on the third day, so too will we be united with our bodies at the end of time.




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