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Office Hours: M-F 8:00 am-12:00 noon

Weekend Liturgies: Saturday, 4:00 pm; Sunday, 10:00 am; Weekday Liturgies: T-F, 9:00 am

Holy Day, 6:30 pm on the day of the feast, unless specified differently in the Bulletin.

Mystery of Penance (Confessions): Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45 pm or by request

Baptism / Chrismation (Confirmation): Please notify the priest a month ahead for preparations

Crownings (Weddings): Please contact the Office six months in advance for preparation and necessary paperwork.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ITEMS: THURSDAY AT 12:00 NOON

THIRD WEEK OF THE RESURRECTION

The Appearance on the Road to Emmaus

Apr. 17 & 18 , 2021

Epistle: 2 Tim 2:8-13

From the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, who proclaimed life to the world. Let us listen to the proclamation of life and salvation for our souls.

Lk 24:13-35



The Evangelist Luke writes: Now that very day two of them were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. 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?" 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!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread. This is the truth. Peace be with you.

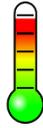


Pray for those who are sick, in the hospital, homebound, or quarantined, especially Roberta Mahar (Eden Heights), Nickie Baire (at home), and Laurie Bonafiglio (sister-in-law of Jerry Ash).



The Sanctuary Lamp for the weeks of April 18 & 25, 2021 burns in memory of Albert & Victoria Hamed by the Ron Hamed family. In the same way, let your light shine before others that they may see your charitable deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

FINANCIALS: For last week's collection (04/11/21): Candles: \$18; Good Friday/Holy Land: \$5; Weekly Offerings: \$640; Total: \$663



BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL:

GOAL: \$5500
COLLECTED TO DATE: \$4980 (91%)
NEEDED: \$ 520

This is past due; still need your help to reach our goal!

CADILLAC EVENT: Our Cadillac Event is scheduled for 6/6/21. This year is again a virtual event with monetary and donated prizes. Our top winner is \$10,000 cash! If you are interested in a \$300 ticket (only 100 sold!) please call Ann Marie Wright @ 716-560-5421. There is also an additional 50/50 raffle with chances at \$25 each. The event will be live streamed on Facebook.

- Sat., 04/17/21 Pope St. Agaptius, Confessor
Reading: 1 Pet 2:11-17; Mt 22:41-46
4:00 pm Vigil: 2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 24:13-35
 Liturgy: Repose of Stephanie Ash by John & John, Jr. Ash

- Sun., 04/18/21: St. Thais the Penitent, Confessor
Reading: 2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 24:13-35
 Liturgy: Repose of Salwa Farah Sayegh by Wendell & Nellie Wallace

- Mon., 04/19/21: St. Timon the Deacon, Martyr
Reading: 1 Pet 2:18-25; Lk 24:44-49
 No Liturgy

- Tue., 04/20/21: St. Nathanael the Hermit, Confessor
Reading: 1 Pet 3:1-12; Jn 6:28-33
 Liturgy: Repose of John Sawaya by his children and grandchildren

- Wed., 04/21/21: St. Anselm, Doctor of the Church, Confessor
Reading: 1 Pet 3:13-22; Jn 6:34-40
 Liturgy: Special Intentions of Diane Cuscino

- Thu., 04/22/21: St. Theodore of Sykeon, Confessor
Reading: 1 Pet 4:1-11; Jn 6:41-47
 Liturgy: Special Intentions of Diane Cuscino

- Fri., 04/23/21: St. George, Martyr
Reading: 1 Pet 4:12-19; Jn 6:48-59
 Liturgy: Repose of Poor Souls in Purgatory by the Peter & Norma Sawaya family

- Sat., 04/24/21: St. Saba the Commander, Martyr
Reading: 1 Pet 5:1-14; Jn 6:60-71
4:00 pm Vigil: Heb 13:18-25; Jn 21:1-14
 Liturgy: Repose of Elias Eade by Mary Ellen Ash

- Sun., 04/25/21: St. Mark the Evangelist, Apostle
Reading: Heb 13:18-25; Jn 21:1-14
 Liturgy: Repose of Jordan Allan Ash by John & John, Jr. Ash