

FAMILY MASS REFLECTION – GIFT MASS WEEKEND

APRIL 18/19

FAMILY NAME: _____ MASS ATTENDED: _____

CELEBRANT'S NAME: _____

3rd Sunday of Easter

Luke 24:13-35

Have you ever wanted to talk with Jesus? Have you thought of questions you would ask Him? Why does the Bible say this thing or the Church say that thing?

Today's Gospel tells us the story of two men who were walking on a road to Emmaus. Suddenly, without them realizing that it was Him, Jesus appeared to these two men. He explained many important passages of the Bible to them. Once they reached Emmaus, they asked Him to stay with them, so He "took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them." That's the Mass! Then they recognized that it was Jesus.

At every Mass, we have a similar opportunity to these disciples. We listen to the Word of God in the Bible and the priest (who is *in persona Christi*, which is a different language for saying that the priest is 'in the person of Christ') explains it to us in the homily. Then the priest takes bread and says the words of consecration and then gives us Jesus in the Eucharist! What an incredible blessing!

ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE GOSPEL:

1. **Where were the disciples going?**

2. **When did they finally understand they were with Jesus?**

Jesus may not appear in a bodily form to you like He did to the disciples on the road to Emmaus, but you can still talk with Him!

Talk to Him in prayer, ask Him your questions, tell him you love him!