



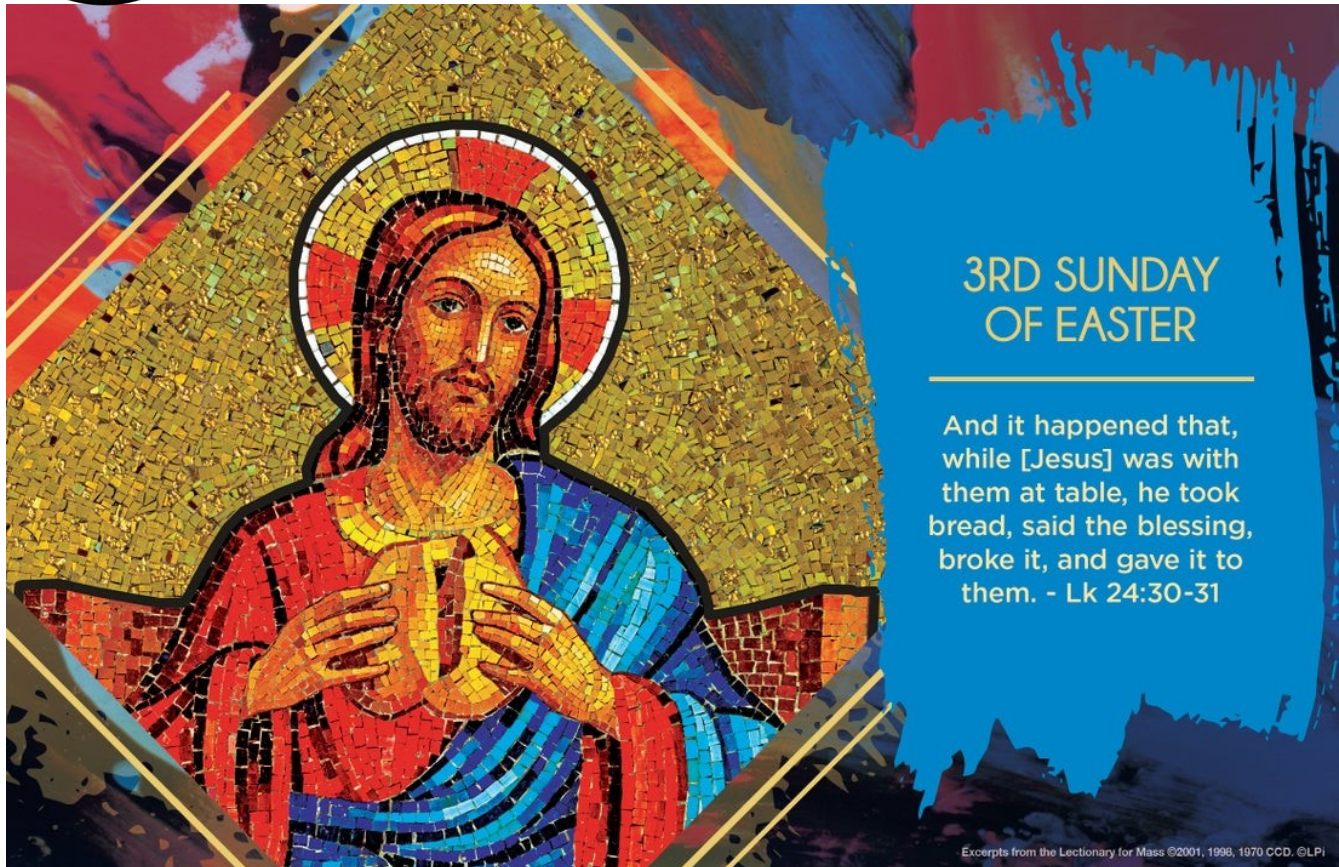
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## GOSPEL MEDITATION – A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Lord Jesus, grant that we may understand the Scriptures and set our hearts ablaze as we listen to them every Sunday at the Eucharist. It is Your living and effective Word that ignites our hearts, just as it did for the disciples on the road to Emmaus. What great joy it is to have Jesus in the Eucharist among us as living food for the journey! Jesus draws near discreetly in our daily lives; He joins us, comforts us, and encourages us to press onward. At first, You did not reveal to them who You were; instead, You explained the Scriptures so that they might recognize You for themselves. Though it was late in the day, they did just that: they invited You into their home, and there, the miracle of recognizing You took place. Where do \*you\* recognize Jesus in your life? At what stage of your personal journey has He joined you? Help us, Jesus, to sense Your presence in our lives; grant that You may not pass us by unnoticed, despite the noise and monotony of our day-to-day existence. “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over. So He went in to stay with them” (Luke 24:29). Such is the significance of the journey to Emmaus—a story we hear every Third Sunday of Easter. Jesus explains the Scriptures along the road, not within a synagogue; He is invited to stay at home because the day is drawing to a close; and—most beautiful of all—He breaks the bread for all of us. There is no finer way to continue celebrating Easter than to invite the Risen Jesus into our homes—to converse with Him, to share with Him all that is happening in our lives—our joys and our sorrows—through the gift of prayer. May He thus renew our hope and our faith. Happy Easter! ©LPI

Sunday Mass- 9:30 AM English

Misa Dominical- 11:30 AM Español

Confessions/Confesiones: 30 min. before Mass

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### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

“For the grace of God has appeared bringing salvation to the entire human race... (teaching) us to reject godless ways and worldly desires,” reads Titus 2:11-12, “and in the present age to lead lives that are temperate, just and godly.”

This cardinal virtue of temperance is shown in the person who is master of his passions and his attachment to the world. “It ensures the will’s mastery over instincts and keeps desires within the limits of what is honorable,” we read in the Catechism (CCC 1809).

Temperance is not repression of feeling; it is an exercise of the will, a careful and calculated choice. In this way, temperance actually safeguards virtuous love, keeping it “whole and uncorrupted,” said St. Augustine. The practice of temperance is intimately linked to the virtue of chastity, which “protects the intimate center of the person...refusing to unveil what should remain hidden” (CCC 2521). ©LPi



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday OF EASTER

With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. —Lk 24:31

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### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Like Cleopas, we make our way through this world with weary feet and disappointed hearts. Christ falls into step beside us. He can open our eyes. Will we let him? ©LPi

### MASS INTENTIONS-INTENCIONES DE MISA

Sunday, April 19th 2026—9:30 AM

† Enrique & Beatrice Aguilar (by Lucy Aguilar)  
Father Bijoy (birthday blessings) (by SFX Community)  
† Ryan Burgoyne (by Dcn. & Mrs. Timoteo Lujan)

Domingo 19 de abril, 2026—11:30 AM

† Lilian Candelaria (de Conci & Julian Chavez)  
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Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026—8:00 AM

† Ricardo Martinez (by family)

Friday, April 24th, 2026—8:00 AM

Father Bijoy (birthday blessings) (by Daniel & Jessica)

### APRIL WEEKLY READINGS

*Sun. 19th: 3rd Sunday of Easter*

Acts 2:14, 22-33, Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11, 1 Pt 1:17-21  
Lk 24:13-35

*Mon. 20th: Easter Weekday*

Acts 6:8-15, Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30  
Jn 6:22-29

*Tues. 21st: St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

Acts 7:51-8:1a, Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab  
Jn 6:30-35

*Wed. 22nd: Easter Weekday*

Acts 8:1b-8, Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a, Jn 6:35-40

*Thur. 23rd: St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr*

Acts 8:26-40, Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20, Jn 6:44-51

*Fri. 24th: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr*

Acts 9:1-20, Ps 117:1bc, 2, Jn 6:52-59

*Sat. 25th: St. Mark, Evangelist*

1 Pt 5:5b-14, Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17, Mk 16:15-20

### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR HEALING

Bobby Chavez, David Sanchez, Alex Casillas, Tina Martinez, Deacon Andy, Mike Lopez, Jose Lopez, & Virginia Rodriguez

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“The Lord has truly  
been raised!”

LUKE 24:34