

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

JESUS

HIMSELF DREW
NEAR AND WALKED
WITH THEM.

— LUKE 24:15 —

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday 9:00 am (*Livestream on Facebook*)

Saturday 5:00 pm (*Livestream on Facebook*)

Sunday 7:00 am, 8:30 am (*Spanish - Livestream on Facebook*),
10:30 am (*Livestream on Facebook*) & 12:30 pm

Confessions (*Parlor*) – Thursdays 9:35 am & Saturdays 3:30pm

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Monday – Sunday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

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SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026

Fr. Kevin's Korner

OUR STORY TOO



The account of the disciples on the road to Emmaus is among the most beautiful and moving stories in the Gospel. Yet it is more than a story from long ago, it is also our story.

The Dutch artist Rembrandt once painted a scene of Jesus seated at table with the two disciples at Emmaus. The painting captures the moment of recognition, when their eyes are opened and their hearts are filled with awe and wonder.

For many years, a museum guide shared this story with visitors, recounting both the Gospel passage and the meaning behind the painting. At first, he spoke of it routinely, without much reflection. But his life changed dramatically when his beloved wife became ill and passed away. In his grief, he struggled to understand her suffering and found himself overwhelmed by sorrow.

Though he eventually returned to his work, he spoke the story with even less conviction than before—until one day, something within him changed. He came to realize that the Emmaus story was not only about the disciples; it was about him as well.

Like them, he was walking a road marked by sadness, confusion, and loss. And like them, he began to recognize that the risen Christ was walking beside him. What had once seemed distant and confined to the pages of Scripture now became a living presence. In that moment, his "eyes were opened," and his heart began to burn with renewed faith.

He came to believe deeply in the truth of the Resurrection—that Jesus is alive, and that those who die in Him share in that life. With this new understanding, hope began to replace despair. When he told the story again, it was no longer mechanical; it was filled with faith, conviction, and quiet joy.

This is where the story touches our own lives. Each of us, at some point, walks the road to Emmaus—the road of disappointment, grief, uncertainty, and broken dreams. Yet the Good News of Easter is that we do not walk it alone.

The risen Lord is with us, even when we fail to recognize Him. He walks beside us in our struggles, reveals Himself in unexpected ways, and reminds us that God can bring life out of death, hope out of despair, and joy out of sorrow.

The Resurrection of Jesus assures us that our story, too, is not without meaning or purpose. It is a story that leads, ultimately, not just to an ending, but to a glorious fulfillment.

May this truth set our hearts on fire with faith, hope, and love.

NUESTRA HISTORIA TAMBIÉN

El relato de los discípulos en el camino a Emaús es una de las historias más bellas y conmovedoras del Evangelio. Sin embargo, es más que una historia de hace mucho tiempo, también es nuestra historia.

El artista neerlandés Rembrandt pintó una vez una escena de Jesús sentado en la mesa con los dos discípulos en Emmaús. La pintura captura el momento de reconocimiento, cuando sus ojos se abren y sus corazones se llenan de asombro y asombro.



Durante muchos años, un guía del museo compartió esta historia con los visitantes, relatando tanto el pasaje del Evangelio como el significado detrás de la pintura. Al principio, hablaba de ello rutinariamente, sin mucha reflexión. Pero su vida cambió drásticamente cuando su querida esposa enfermó y falleció. En su dolor, luchaba por comprender su sufrimiento y se encontraba abrumado por la tristeza.

Aunque finalmente volvió a su trabajo, contó la historia con aún menos convicción que antes, hasta que un día, algo en su interior cambió. Se dio cuenta de que la historia de Emaús no trataba solo sobre los discípulos; también era sobre él.

Como ellos, caminaba por un camino marcado por la tristeza, la confusión y la pérdida. Y, como ellos, empezó a reconocer que Cristo resucitado caminaba a su lado. Lo que antes parecía lejano y confinado a las páginas de las Escrituras ahora se convertía en una presencia viva. En ese momento, sus "ojos se abrieron" y su corazón comenzó a arder con una fe renovada.

Llegó a creer profundamente en la verdad de la Resurrección: que Jesús está vivo y que quienes mueren en Él comparten esa vida. Con esta nueva comprensión, la esperanza empezó a reemplazar a la desesperación. Cuando contó la historia de nuevo, ya no era mecánica; Estaba lleno de fe, convicción y alegría silenciosa.

Aquí es donde la historia toca nuestras propias vidas. Cada uno de nosotros, en algún momento, camina por el camino hacia Emaús—el camino de la decepción, el duelo, la incertidumbre y los sueños rotos. Sin embargo, la Buena Nueva de la Pascua es que no la caminamos solos.

El Señor resucitado está con nosotros, incluso cuando no le reconocemos. Camina a nuestro lado en nuestras luchas, se revela de formas inesperadas y nos recuerda que Dios puede sacar la vida de la muerte, la esperanza de la desesperación y la alegría de la tristeza.

La Resurrección de Jesús nos asegura que nuestra historia también no carece de significado ni propósito. Es una historia que, en última instancia, conduce no solo a un final, sino a una gloriosa realización.

Que esta verdad encienda nuestros corazones con fe, esperanza y amor.

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 19th

7:00 AM

- †Jacob Periera by Mackson Carvalho
- †Mrs. Marilyn Wueste by Mike Wueste
- †Gus Wueste by Mike Wueste

8:30 AM

- †Por el eterno descanso del Señor Carlos Sánchez Moreno y †Carmen Buendía de parte de su familia
- †Para todas las almas olvidadas de parte de Oliva Cisneros
- Intención Especial para Cerafin Cisneros en su cumpleaños y por todos los enfermos de parte de Oliva Cisneros

10:30 AM

For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners

12:30 PM

- †Erin Popovich by Betsy & Jay Gwin

Monday, April 20th 9:00 AM

- Special Intention for Chloe Crawford on her birthday by Judy Crawford
- Special Intention for Marta Azuara
- Special Intention for Joao Manuel Menezes, & Antonio & Maria Menezes by Jerry Menezes

Tuesday, April 21st, 9:00 AM

- †Diniz Dmelo by Peter Dias
- Special Intention for Remedios, Desterina & Manuel Menezes by Jerry Menezes
- Special Intention for Reena Gomes & Henssum Rebello by Jerry Menezes

Wednesday, April 22nd, 9:00 AM

- In Thanksgiving for Judas, Fatima & Savio by Jerry Menezes
- In thanksgiving for Jeffery & Sarah by Jerry Menezes
- In thanksgiving for Savio & Jeffery by Jerry Menezes

Thursday, April 23rd, 9:00 AM

- Special Intention for Lourdes McManus on her birthday by Carmen Hindman
- †Jeaneth Humes by Carmen Hindman
- In thanksgiving for Jerry & Sarah by Jerry Menezes

Friday, April 24th, 9:00 AM

- †Fideligna Rodriguez
- †Randolph & †Betty Coleman by Sharon Linnartz & family
- Special Intention for Alberto Olivarez by his loving family

Saturday, April 25th, 5:00 PM

- †Antonia Fernandez on her heavenly birthday by Barrera & Castro family
- †Kathy Bowers by Mary Bowers & family
- †Domingo N. Soriano by Alice & Nestor Moreno

Sunday, April 26th

7:00 AM

Special Intention for the healing of Richard Bennett by Judy Crawford

8:30 AM

- Intención especial para Ramiro, Guillermo y Rosaura Cisneros y familia de parte de Oliva Cisneros
- Intención especial para Gabriela Arzabala y Maria Lenor Soria de parte de Oliva Cisneros
- Intención especial para Ana Soria y Lupe y Sergio Villegas de parte de Oliva Cisneros

10:30 AM

- †Eileen Emley by Herbert Bludeau & family
- †Douglas C. Wilmer by Wilmer family
- †Patrick Pape by his loving family

12:30 PM

For all St. Anthony de Padua Parishioners

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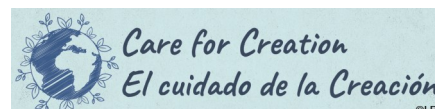
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April 13, 2025

TOTAL: \$21,061.99



Earth Day
EVERY DAY



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, April 19th

7:00 AM Mass—Church
7:30 AM R.E. Pancake Breakfast—Parish Hall
8:30 AM Mass (Spanish) —Church & Livestream on Facebook
9:00 AM R.E. Elementary Classes—FFC
10:30 AM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook
10:30 AM R.E. Pre-K & Kindergarten Classes—FFC
11:00 AM R.E. Middle School & Conf. I Classes—FFC
12:30 PM Mass—Church

Monday, April 20th

9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook
6:00 PM Young Adult Bible Study— FFC

Tuesday, April 21st

9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook

Wednesday, April 22nd

9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook

Thursday, April 23rd

9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook
9:30 AM Confessions—Parlor

Friday, April 24th **OFFICE CLOSED**

9:00 AM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook

Saturday, April 25th

3:30 PM Confessions—Parlor
5:00 PM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook

Sunday, April 26th

7:00 AM Mass—Church
7:30 AM KOC Breakfast Tacos —Parish Hall
8:30 AM Mass (Spanish) —Church & Livestream on Facebook
9:00 AM R.E. Elementary Classes—FFC
10:30 AM Mass—Church & Livestream on Facebook
10:30 AM R.E. Pre-K & Kindergarten Classes—FFC
11:00 AM R.E. Middle School & Conf. I Classes—FFC
12:30 PM Mass—Church
5:00 PM RE Impact—Parish Hall

ESTA SEMANA EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA

Domingo, 19 de abril

7:00 AM Misa—Iglesia
7:30 AM R.E. Pancake Breakfast—Parish Hall
8:30 AM Misa—Iglesia y en vivo en Facebook
10:30 AM Misa—Iglesia y en vivo en Facebook
12:30 PM Misa—Iglesia

Lunes, 20 de abril

9:00 AM Misa—Iglesia y transmisión en vivo en Facebook
6:00 PM Biblia para jóvenes adultos—FFC

Martes, 21 de abril

9:00 AM Misa—Iglesia y transmisión en vivo en Facebook

Miércoles, 22 de abril

9:00 AM Misa—Iglesia y transmisión en vivo en Facebook

Jueves, 23 de abril

9:00 AM Misa—Iglesia y transmisión en vivo en Facebook
9:30 AM Confesiones—Parlor (en ingles)

Viernes, 24 de abril **OFICINA CERRADO**

9:00 AM Misa—Iglesia y transmisión en vivo en Facebook

Sábado, 25 de abril

3:30 PM Confesiones—Parlor
5:00 PM Misa—Iglesia y vivo en Facebook

Domingo, 26 de abril

7:00 AM Misa—Iglesia
7:30 AM KOC Tacos de desayuno—salon de banquetes
8:30 AM Misa—Iglesia y en vivo en Facebook
10:30 AM Misa—Iglesia y en vivo en Facebook
12:30 PM Misa—Iglesia

Blessing for the Way

Dear Lord,
As we journey through life, journey with us. As we wrestle with uncertainty, comfort us with your presence. Through distances, walk alongside us. Bless us with your companionship, your prayer, your sacred presence in the Eucharist. *Amen.*

Bendición Para el Camino

Querido Señor,
Mientras recorremos la vida, viaja con nosotros. Mientras luchamos con la incertidumbre, consuélanos con tu presencia. A través de las distancias, camina a nuestro lado. Bendícenos con tu compañía, tu oración, tu presencia sagrada en la Eucaristía. *Amen.*

Weekly Readings

4/19 Sun: Luke 24:13-35
4/20 Mon: John 6:22-29
4/21 Tue: John 6:30-35
4/22 Wed: John 6:35-40
4/23 Thu: John 6:44-51
4/24 Fri: John 6:52-59
4/25 Sat: Mark 16:15-20



Lecturas de los días laborables

19 de abril, Domingo: Lucas 24:13-35
20 de abril, Lunes: Juan 6:22-29
21 de abril, Martes: Juan 6:30-35
22 de abril Miércoles: Juan 6:35-40
23 de abril Jueves: Juan 6:44-51
24 de abril Viernes: Juan 6:52-59
25 de abril Sábado: Marcos 16:15-20

IN THE PARISH

GOSPEL MEDITATION

April 19, 2026—3rd Sunday of Easter

Luke 24:13-35



When I first read Homer’s *Odyssey* as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination: Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today’s Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but **“their eyes were prevented from recognizing him.”** (Luke 24:16) He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread. Suddenly their eyes are opened — and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church.

Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways — in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church.

And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are. —Father John Muir

Mini reflection: Christ gave us everything. He gave us “happily ever after.” But what do you do with everything? What do you do with “happily ever after?” What do you do with the Resurrection? What do you do with salvation?

The Story That Never Ends

The biggest mistake we can make as Christians is to think that the Resurrection is the end of the story.

(PRACTICING)
CATHOLIC

Of course we *know*, logically, that it isn’t — there are whole books of the Bible that come after it, detailing not just the activities and teachings of the Risen Christ, but the development of the early Church and the Gospel’s first baby steps into the wider world. We know this.

But sometimes we don’t act like it.

The thing is, we like stories that can be tied up neatly in a bow. It’s why “happily ever after” is a thing. These tidy endings are especially satisfying following an emotional gut punch and a twist — for instance, let’s say the crucifixion of the story’s hero and a *gotcha!* moment where it turns out he’s not dead after all. Drinks all around! And...scene. The curtain falls.

But the curtain didn’t fall. It still hasn’t.

Look at Cleopas. He has heard the testimony of people he knew, people he trusted — and yet, he’s in a world of confusion. He’s stumbling along the road, wondering what to believe.

Christ gave us “happily ever after.” But what do you do with “happily ever after?” What do you do with the Resurrection? What do you do with salvation?

The Resurrection left loose ends — not because it was insufficient, but because it was not a final chapter. So being a Christian means embracing the life of a loose end. It means figuring out what to do with the Resurrection, with salvation, with forgiveness — with this hard-won “happily ever after” that is a gift but also a commission.

Because the curtain is still up, and we are all characters in the Greatest Story Ever Told.

So, what’s the next scene?

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPi

EN LA PARROQUIA

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

19 de abril de 2026: III Domingo de Pascua

Lucas 24:13-35

Señor Jesús, haz que comprendamos las Escrituras y enciende nuestro corazón mientras las escuchamos cada domingo en la Eucaristía. Es tu Palabra viva y eficaz la que enciende nuestro corazón, como a los discípulos de Emaús. ¡Qué alegría tan grande tener a Jesús Eucaristía entre nosotros como alimento vivo para el camino! Jesús se acerca discretamente en nuestra vida de cada día; se une a nosotros, nos consuela y nos anima a seguir adelante. No les dijiste al principio quién eras, sino que les explicaste las Escrituras para que ellos mismos te reconocieran. Aunque fue tarde, lo hicieron: te invitaron a su casa, y allí surgió el milagro de reconocerte.



¿Dónde reconoces tú a Jesús en tu vida? ¿En qué etapa de tu historia se ha unido a ti? Ayúdanos, Jesús, a sentir tu presencia en nuestra vida; que no pases desapercibido, a pesar del ruido y la monotonía del día a día. *“Quédate con nosotros, ya está cayendo la tarde y se termina el día. Entró, pues, para quedarse con ellos”* (Lucas 24:29). Así de importante es el camino de Emaús, que escuchamos cada tercer Domingo de Pascua. Jesús explica las Escrituras por el camino, no en una sinagoga; se le invita a quedarse en casa porque el día se acaba, y lo más hermoso: parte el pan para todos nosotros. No hay mejor manera de continuar celebrando la Pascua que invitar a Jesús Resucitado a casa, para platicar con Él, contarle lo que nos pasa, las alegrías y las tristezas, por medio de la oración. Para que Él renueve nuestra esperanza y nuestra fe. ¡Feliz Pascua!

Mini-reflexión: Cristo nos lo dio todo. Nos dio un "felices para siempre". ¿Pero qué haces con todo? ¿Qué haces con el "felices para siempre"? ¿Qué haces con la Resurrección? ¿Qué haces con la salvación?

La Historia que Nunca Termina

El mayor error que podemos cometer como cristianos es pensar que la Resurrección es el final de la historia.



Por supuesto, *sabemos*, lógicamente, que no es así — hay libros enteros de la Biblia que vienen después, detallando no solo las actividades y enseñanzas de Cristo Resucitado, sino el desarrollo de la Iglesia primitiva y los primeros pasos del Evangelio hacia el mundo más amplio. Lo sabemos.

Pero a veces no actuamos como tal.

La cuestión es que nos gustan las historias que se puedan arreglar perfectamente en un moño. Por eso existe el "felices para siempre". Estos finales pulcros son especialmente satisfactorios tras un golpe emocional y un giro — por ejemplo, digamos la crucifixión del héroe de la historia y un momento de "te atrape" en el que resulta que no está muerto después de todo. ¡Copas por todas partes! Y... escena. Cae el telón.

Pero el telón no cayó. Todavía no lo ha hecho.

Mira a Cleofás. Ha escuchado el testimonio de personas que conocía, personas en las que confiaba — y, sin embargo, está en un mundo de confusión. Está tambaleándose por el camino, preguntándose qué creer.

Cristo nos dio un "felices para siempre". Pero ¿qué haces con el "felices para siempre"? ¿Qué haces con la Resurrección? ¿Qué haces con la salvación?

La Resurrección dejó cabos sueltos — no porque fuera insuficiente, sino porque no era un capítulo final. Así que ser cristiano significa abrazar la vida de un cabo suelto. Significa averiguar qué hacer con la Resurrección, con la salvación, con el perdón — con este "felices para siempre" ganado con esfuerzo que es un regalo, pero también una comisión.

Porque el telón sigue levantado, y todos somos personajes de la Mejor Historia Jamás Contada.

Entonces, ¿cuál es la siguiente escena?

Por Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

IN THE PARISH

St. Anthony de Padua 2026 Guadalupeana Society Mother's Day Luncheon!
"El Amor de Una Madre"
 Saturday, May 2nd, 2026

Banquet Hall
 Doors Open: 10:30am
 Lunch: 11:30am
 Fashion Show after lunch!

• Door Prizes
 • Raffle Prizes
 • 50/50 Drawing

\$35 Entry
 Must present ticket at entry

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 FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH



TEEN ACTS RETREAT

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 TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026**

HELPED: 34 FAMILIES (26 TOTAL PEOPLE)

GAVE: \$1,700.00 HEB GIFT CARDS FOR PERISHABLE FOOD

**FOOD WE CAN USE: CANNED PASTA • 4oz CANNED TOMATO SAUCE • MAC & CHEESE
 PEANUT BUTTER • CEREAL • TUNA**

Thank you for your continued support!

PRAY FOR OUR SICK!

Remember in your prayers the members of our parish who are seriously ill. If you know a parishioner who is sick, in need of prayer, or bedridden and needs Eucharist, contact the parish office. *After 4 weeks, names will be removed.*

**DEACON JOE BORREGO,
 MARGARET COLLAZO,
 LANNY MCIVER, SANDY MCIVER,
 PABLO MUÑOZ,
 GRISELDA ULLOA**

PRAY FOR OUR DEPLOYED!

Please remember those who are deployed in your daily prayers. Call the parish office if you would like someone added to this list or if you have a loved one who has returned home. *After 9 months, names will be removed.*

**ADAM SIFUENTES, ALLEN ESCOBEDO, CHRISTIAN CHÁVEZ,
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IN THE PARISH

ST ANTHONY DE PADUA

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INFLUENCING MY PEERS AS A CATHOLIC TEEN
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Sunday – April 26, 2026
5:00 pm – Parish Hall

Event: *Parish Zoom Scriptural Rosary*

Sponsored by: *Knights of Columbus*

When: *7pm (every Wednesday)*

Meeting ID: *819 2362 3053*

Passcode: *10927*



Meeting normally opens about 5 minutes before for reflection and sharing and the rosary begins at 7pm with special intentions and dedications. First Wednesday of each month is reserved for Healing Rosary.

Please text to 210-865-3179 (Nilan Ratnayeke) if you have any questions or trouble connecting.

Due to the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday on April 12th, **THERE WILL NOT BE A DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR ON SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH.**

Divine Mercy Holy Hour will resume on May 31st, at 2:45pm, in the Church.

ST. ANTHONY Fiesta Medal!

2026

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MOVIE NIGHT

ADULT FAITH Formation

Roman Officer Experiences the Crucifixion and Resurrection — RISEN

Good for older teens and adults (PG-13: Biblical violence & some disturbing images) (107 minutes)

Date: *Wednesday April 29–6:30 p.m.*
Location: *Parlor (English)*
Library Conference Room (Spanish) Free Snacks

Would you like to memorialize a loved one with a plaque in the area surrounding the St. Francis of Assisi statue?

There is limited availability for the parish community to purchase a memorial plaque. The inscribed plaque, bearing the name of a loved one, is a wonderful way to remember and honor the person, living or deceased.

This cast aluminum plaque has a raised double border in silver and a recessed area for your personalization plate. It is a perfect way to honor those you love and respect. This plaque is outdoor durable, creating a permanent tribute. *Space is limited, get yours today!* Memorial Plaque applications are available in the back of the church, parish office or st.anthonypadua.org !

Mean What You Say

Missouri is known as the "Show Me" state. There seem to be differing points of view as to how this motto came into existence, but today it is said to speak of a people who operate with common sense and are not easily fooled by slick-talking or show. We would be prudent to adopt such a disposition ourselves. To be this way is not really like St. Thomas in the Gospel when he doubts what he clearly sees right in front of him. It is more about holding ourselves to a standard explained in another motto: "Say what you mean and mean what you say."

If we claim to be Christians, disciples of the risen Jesus, then those around us should be able to tell by our actions. Can someone truly be a disciple of Jesus and not be a good steward of all he has given? Jesus makes himself known to us continually in the Holy Eucharist. When we come together to break bread at Mass, Jesus shows us his love by becoming truly present to us. He is willing to show us. What are we in turn willing to show him?

Every day, Jesus calls us to respond in some way. Our response shows whether we are who we claim: his disciples. I am pretty sure Jesus is not from Missouri, but I know he is not fooled by our half-truths and misguided intentions. He also means what he says and says what he means. Shouldn't his disciples do the same?

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Practica lo que Predicas

Missouri es conocido como el estado "Muéstrame." Parece haber diferentes puntos de vista en cuanto a cómo surgió este lema, pero hoy en día se dice que habla de personas que operan con sentido común y que no se dejan engañar fácilmente por la palabrería o la charlatanería. Seríamos prudentes al adoptar tal disposición nosotros mismos. Ser así no es realmente como Santo Tomás en el Evangelio cuando duda de lo que ve claramente frente a él. Se trata más de mantenernos a un estándar explicado en otro lema: "Di lo que quieres decir y practica lo que predicas."

Si afirmamos ser cristianos, discípulos de Jesús resucitado, entonces quienes nos rodean deberían poder notarlo por nuestras acciones. ¿Puede alguien ser verdaderamente un discípulo de Jesús y no ser un buen corresponsable de todo lo que nos ha dado? Jesús se da a conocer continuamente en la Sagrada Eucaristía. Cuando nos unimos para partir el pan en la misa, Jesús nos muestra su amor al estar realmente presente para nosotros. Él está dispuesto a mostrarnos. ¿Qué estamos dispuestos a mostrarle nosotros a cambio?

Todos los días, Jesús nos llama a responder de alguna manera. Nuestra respuesta muestra si somos quienes decimos ser: sus discípulos. Estoy bastante seguro de que Jesús no es de Missouri, pero sé que no se deja engañar por nuestras medias verdades e intenciones equivocadas. También dice lo que quiere decir y practica lo que predica. ¿No deberían sus discípulos hacer lo mismo?

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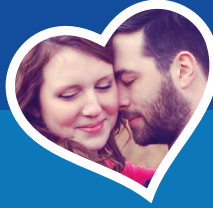


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