



Third Sunday of Easter
May 8, 2011.

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus. When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and

converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

As your family eats, talk together about how the disciples discussed their experiences in Jerusalem and how they came to understand them differently when Jesus interpreted those events in the light of Scripture. Consider what Jesus might say to each person if he were sitting at your dinner table. Conclude with a special prayer after your dinner. Pray a prayer of blessing for each family member, asking that Jesus continue to be present in each person's life, helping each one to be a better follower of Jesus.



...is coming JULY 19th! Watch for the NEW format!

Registration forms available SOON!



Help the Mt. Top Crisis Pregnancy Center...

Although abortion is still legal, our Church strives to promote the culture of life by honoring and supporting all mothers who choose life for their babies, sometimes under very difficult circumstances. In our region,

the **Mountain Top Crisis Pregnancy Center** offers practical help to mothers, ensuring that there is no such thing as an unwanted child in Garrett County. For nearly twenty years, the Center has been a valuable asset of our community, supported by many churches, including St. Peter the Apostle Parish.

To help raise funds to support Mountain Top CPC, we offer an opportunity for you to contribute very painlessly, in a way you'll hardly notice. We invite you to place a baby bottle on your dinner table from Mothers' Day until Fathers' Day and put your loose change into it. The whole family, adults as well as children, can participate in this gentle sacrifice.

This weekend at all the Masses, as you leave church you will be able to obtain a baby bottle from the Knights of Columbus. Bottles should be returned on Father's Day.

We hope your family will find that this way of making a small sacrifice will enrich your appreciation of the gift of life.



Recharge Your Faith!

Is your battery running low?

Come get recharged! All sessions are held on Mondays in the Parish Center/lower level from 6 to 8pm.

***Participants are invited to the Community Supper at 4:30pm in the upstairs parish hall.

OUR NEXT SESSIONS ARE:

*****May 9, 2011**

Betty Eaton---Sacraments

May 16, 2011

Linda Goodrich and Frances Callis---Prayer



*****Community Supper is this Monday,**

May 9th, in the parish hall from 4:30 to

6:30pm. Join us for some delicious pasta! This is a free meal, but a good will offering is accepted.

Come and bring your friends and family!

CALCULATORS' SCHEDULE:

05/08/11-Church: Team #3—Nutter, Rickman

Center: Team#8—Schriders, Shaw

05/15/11-Church: Team#4—Thorne, Stem, Gregory,

Matthews

-Center: Team #6---Gloeckl, Boehms

COMMUNION CLOTH MINISTRY:

05/08/11...Linda Goodman 05/15/11...Nancy Boehm

This week in our parish...May 8-May 15



(Mass Intentions)

Sat.	Rose & Donald McKenzie (✚)	4:00pm
.	Our Parish Family	5:45pm
Sun.	Stewart & Mary Bennett (✚)	9:00am

Last Day of Sunday School—Have a nice summer!

Mon.	Mary Kenney (✚)	8:15pm
Tues.	Joan Murray (✚)	6:30pm
Wed.	Oak. Nurs. & Rehab	10:00am

Parish Family	
Denn. Manor	10:30am

Special Intention	
Chapel	12:00pm

Cindy Delisi (✚)

Stations of LIGHT after the noon Mass

We pray from the Resurrection until Pentecost celebrating our Savior.

Thurs.	Stuart McEntee (✚)	8:15am
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Fri.	Frank Silvestro (✚)	8:15am
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Sat.	Charles Gloeckl (✚)	4:00pm
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Rose Carlino (✚)	5:45pm
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Sun.	Parish Family	9:00am
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Mass intentions are subject to change due to emergencies, weather or the availability of a priest.

PRAYER LIST FOR MAY...we pray for: those



suffering due to the recent storms and flooding, Lorraine Wengert, Pat Walklo, Bill Heise, Wayne Eaton, Linda Goodman, Andrea Sereno,

Philomena Zapf, Tom Stuckey, Alcuin & Mary Jo Krebs, Anne Marie Poyer, Kathy Hemmer, Bill Mott, Jeanne Perrone, John Devlin, Jeff Hallock, Jack Poyer, Bill Harrington, George Miller, Kadan Sharpless, Consi White, Lothar Bothe, The Bowling Family, Ken West, and James Arnone. God bless them.

Parish Gift Shop - OPEN after the Masses at the

Church and the Center. Rosaries, statues, ornaments, pet medals, baptism crosses---Great Gift Ideas!

MINISTERS of the MASS 5/14-15/11

4:00pm-Saturday, May 14

Reader: Mortimer

Euch. Ministers: Lander, Rodeheaver, Gillespie

5:45pm-Saturday, May 14

Reader: Carlino

Euch. Ministers: Rathgebbs, Kealy

9:00am-Sunday, May 15

Reader: Helbig

Euch. Ministers: Donahue, Sunny, Sipes, *Kelly



The new EM and Reader Schedule will be mailed next Tuesday, May 10th. If any of our lay ministers have a special request,

please call Donna on Monday, 5/9 by 12 noon.

✚The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for May:

That those who work in media may always respect truth, solidarity and the dignity of each person.

✚Homebound prayer intention for May:

For all mothers, who have given us life and love that we may show them reverence and respect.

✚Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate of

Mr. Donald Battista

At the cathedral of Mary, Our Queen on Saturday, May 14, 2011. **On Sunday, May 15, 2011, Don will serve as the Deacon on the Mass** for the first time at the 9:00am Mass at the Church. After this Mass, our parish family will come together to celebrate and offer our congratulations at a reception in the Parish Hall.

EVERYONS IS INVITED!

We have chartered a bus to attend Don's Ordination in Baltimore. Call the Church Office TODAY at 301-334-2202. Seats are still available. **The bus will leave Oakland by 5am in order to attend the Ordination Mass scheduled for 10am.**

✚On Sunday May 22, 2011, our parish will come together to say...THANK YOU to FATHER DAN!

We will have a reception in the Parish Hall following the 9am Mass that morning to give Father Dan Goulet our best wishes as he heads to his new assignment at Fort Lewis in the State of Washington.

May God bless and guide you as you journey forth!

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"As believers, how can we fail to see that abortion, euthanasia and assisted suicide are a terrible rejection of



God's gift of life and love? And as believers, how can we fail to feel the duty to surround the sick and those in distress with the warmth of our affection and the support that will help them always to embrace life?"

Blessed John Paul II

Are you interested in joining our a Right to Life Committee? Please call the church office at 301-334-2202.

VATICAN CITY, 2 MAY 2011 (VIS) - This morning the Director of the Holy See Press Office, Fr.

Federico Lombardi, S.J., released the following declaration on the news regarding the death of Osama Bin Laden: "Osama Bin Laden, as is known, claimed responsibility for grave acts that spread division and hate among the peoples, manipulating religion to that end. A Christian never takes pleasure from the fact of a man's death, but sees it as an opportunity to reflect on each person's responsibility, before God and humanity, and to hope and commit oneself to seeing that no event become another occasion to disseminate hate but rather to foster peace."