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Sunday, April 23, 2023 - Third Sunday of Easter



## Mass Schedule @ Main Church

Saturday Evening, 5:30 pm

Sunday Morning, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

*Confessions, Saturday 4:15 - 5:00 pm or  
anytime by appointment*

## Weekday Morning Mass

Monday - Friday

8:30 am @ MAIN CHURCH

*Monday 8:30 am Mass  
with Miraculous Medal Novena*

### **Served By:**

Rev. James Ferry, Pastor

Rev. James N. Chern, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Robert K. Suszko, Weekend Assistant

Mrs. Linda Chapman, Director of Music

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RECTORY/Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

### Religious Education

#### **Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)**

Mrs. Barbara Camp 973.325.0110

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#### **Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)**

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

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#### **Administrative Assistant**

Maggie Macias 973.325.0110 ext. 102

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### Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrated *usually* the first Saturday of the month. Parents are required to meet with Father Jim Ferry. Please call RECTORY.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Administered in an emergency at any time. Please call RECTORY when someone is ill or admitted to the hospital.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples are asked to make their arrangements one year in advance of their wedding. Please call RECTORY for an appointment with a priest.

### First Friday

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. There is 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration during the "Fall" months of September, October, November and December and the "Spring" months of March, April, May and June.

### Peace and Good Corner Gift Shop

Religious articles, books and cards are available for purchase inside the church before and after all Masses or by appointment. Contact RECTORY.

### New Parishioners

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes. Please register at RECTORY or call for registration forms.

**MISSION STATEMENT** *The people of God in West Orange were called by the Holy Spirit in 1914 to form Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, a community centered on Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit remains with us today as we continue our journey to God. We are inspired by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, called to respect life and proclaim our Catholic faith. We serve God by providing spiritual, educational, and social activities for our parish family as well as extending God's love and compassion to serve the greater community.*



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,  
I hope the Easter Season to follow will be a time of peace and tranquility for you.

I share with you an article about the Road to Emmaus Gospel which we read this Sunday.

(Source: <https://www.catholicworldreport.com/2020/04/24/the-road-to-emmaus-and-the-reality-of-the-eucharist/>)

**Title: The road to Emmaus and the reality of the Eucharist (3rd Sunday of Easter)**

**Author: Carl E. Olson**

I grew up attending a small Fundamentalist Bible chapel that believed the Lord's Supper should be commemorated each week. Nearly every Sunday we took time to contemplate the death of Jesus Christ by quietly reflecting on the Cross and partaking of bread and grape juice.

It was not, of course, the Eucharist. But it was, in hindsight, an action that pointed me, however imperfectly, to the Eucharist and the Catholic Church. Today's Gospel reading, one of my favorite passages from the Gospel of Luke, beautifully shows the relationship between the supernatural gift of faith and Holy Communion.

Luke, a masterful storyteller, incisively describes how the disciples had completely lost their bearings and sense of spiritual direction in the overwhelming aftermath of Jesus' death: "They stopped, looking downcast" (Lk. 24:17). Approached by Jesus, they failed to recognize their Lord. Responding to His question about their conversation, the men explained their confusion: Jesus was "a prophet mighty in deed and word" and yet

he had not fulfilled their hope for redemption (v. 21). In addition to this disappointment there was the added mystery of the empty tomb, although they apparently hadn't reached a conclusion about what it might actually mean.


Jesus chided them and took them to the Scriptures, "beginning with Moses and with all the prophets" (v. 27), to show them the true nature of "the Christ." There are several passages that Jesus likely showed them, including Deuteronomy 18:15, which promised "a prophet" like Moses, Psalm 2:7, a Messianic psalm, and Isaiah 53, which describes the Suffering Servant, as well as others. The disciples had to be shown that salvation and glory wouldn't come through political might or social upheaval, but through humiliation, suffering, and apparent defeat.

Thus, on the road to Emmaus, there was a re-learning on the part of the disciples, who heard a deeper explanation of the Scriptures than they had heard many times before. This was necessary in order for them to really grasp the significance of the Cross and its life-giving, soul-transforming meaning. This education came from the very One who sent the prophets and gave them words; who better than the Word Incarnate to illuminate the meaning of the sacred text? The narrative follows a distinct pattern of questioning, dialogue, and exposition of Scripture, leading to a sacrament, which is a pattern Luke uses again in the story of the Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8).

Some commentators have suggested that the disciples finally recognized Jesus simply because of a familiar gesture on his part. But this understates how Luke purposefully uses



<b>SATURDAY 22 APRIL</b> 7:30 pm James Watkins
<b>SUNDAY 23 APRIL</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Deceased Members of the Pflug & Napolitano Families 11:30 am Mary Ellen Bruno
<b>MONDAY 24 APRIL</b> 8:30 am John Sharkey
<b>TUESDAY 25 APRIL</b> 8:30 am James & Eleanor English
<b>WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL</b> 8:30 am Anthony Strollo
<b>THURSDAY 27 APRIL</b> 8:30 pm Deacon Ernest Abad (9th Ann.)
<b>FRIDAY 28 APRIL</b> 8:#0 pm Matilda O'Boyle
<b>SATURDAY 29 APRIL</b> 5:30 pm Jeffrey Ench
<b>SUNDAY 30 APRIL</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Ann Balzano 11:30 am Al Catalina

<b>SUNDAY 23 APRIL</b> 7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 - 11:30 am 1st Communion Class (Chapel) 9:30 am Mass in Church 11:30 am Mass in Church  8:00—11:30 am Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast (Hall)
<b>MONDAY 24 APRIL</b> 6:45—8 pm Confirmation Class (Hall)
<b>THURSDAY 27 APRIL</b> 10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the May 7th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.
<b>FRIDAY 28 APRIL</b> 11 am –1:00 pm Soup Kitchen Set-up @ (Hall)
<b>SATURDAY 29 APRIL</b> 11 am—1:30 pm Soup Kitchen—St. Vincent DePaul @ Holy Trinity 4—5:15 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church
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This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from Nancy Lanfrank is in memory of **ARTHUR KELLER**.



This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Kathy & Joseph Petrillo is in memory of **JOAN C. PAPALE**.



 <b>APRIL 29 - 30, 2023</b>			
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm Choir	Andrew Novoa	Eileen Reilly (Choir)	
7:30 am	Bless Bernardo	Bless Bernardo	
9:30 am	Bill Talbot	Annette Chiamonte	
11:30 am	Carmelita Dizon	Wendy Sheyka	



Michael Ang	Amy Lejano
Msgr. Edward Bradley	Mikaela Moncupa
Marti Carlos	Allison Sardinha
Lorelei Gotinga	Pat Schoeler
Fiona Graham	Sgt. Michael Williams
Cecile Leelin	

If you wish to have a friend or loved one prayed for, please call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.



the same description of Jesus' actions—"he took bread, said a blessing, broke it, and gave it to them"—as he does in his account of the Last Supper (Lk 22:19-20). Yes, the disciples certainly recognized that gesture, but the recognition was a gift of grace, and it was intimately linked with the reality of the Eucharist. Which is why they later told the others how Christ "was made known to them in the breaking of bread."

The story of the encounter on the road to Emmaus includes all of the essential elements of the Liturgy: Scripture, prayer, blessing, and the breaking of bread. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that the "Eucharistic celebration always includes: the proclamation of the Word of God; thanksgiving to God the Father for all his benefits, above all the gift of his Son; the consecration of bread and wine; and participation in the liturgical banquet by receiving the Lord's body and blood." These elements, it emphasizes, "constitute one single act of worship" (CCC 1408).

Every person hungers for this act of worship, for we were made to worship God in that way. God, in his goodness, responds to that hunger. In the midst of the disciples' confusion and blindness, Jesus sought them out, offered himself to them, and opened their eyes. He did it for me, many years ago. He wishes to meet all of us on our road to Emmaus.

*(This "Opening the Word" column originally appeared in the April 6, 2008, edition of Our Sunday Visitor newspaper.)*

(Source: <https://www.catholicworldreport.com/2020/04/24/the-road-to-emmaus-and-the-reality-of-the-eucharist/>)

In Christ's Peace,  
Father Jim Ferry



## Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, 23rd of  
APRIL 2023

8:30 am - 11:30 am  
CONNOR HALL

### St. Vincent DePaul Society



St. Vincent DePaul Society is hosting **Christine's Soup Kitchen** on **Saturday, 4/29/2023** for Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. As of now the soup kitchen is operating on a to-go-lunch basis. Lunches are prepared ahead of time and will be dropped off at Holy Trinity on the morning of **4/29/2023** so you will not have to serve at the soup kitchen itself. If anyone is interested in preparing or purchasing needed items please call Rosanne Bruno at 973-243-0679, or e-mail at [travisb23@juno.com](mailto:travisb23@juno.com).



### SPRING OPEN HOUSE

SAINT PETER'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL

SUNDAY, APRIL 30 from 1:00—3:00 pm

Saint Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Spring Open House on Sunday, April 30 from 1:00—3:00 pm at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided. Saint Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boys and it remains New Jersey's only Jesuit high school. For more information on the Spring Open House, please call 201-547-6389



## THE EASTER OFFERING

As of April 17, 2023(\*)

Easter:	\$13,726.26
Easter Flowers	\$ 2,586.82
Holy Land	\$ 991.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	\$ 818.52

(\*) Includes Online Giving Donations

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**Saturday  
May 13th  
11:30 am**



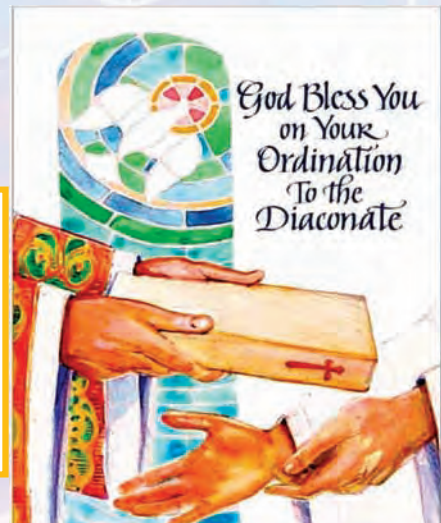
**Sunday  
May 14th**

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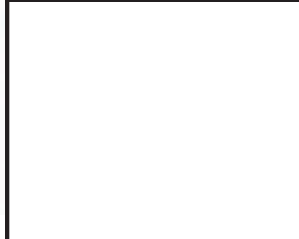
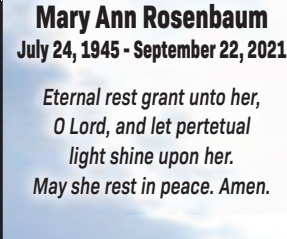
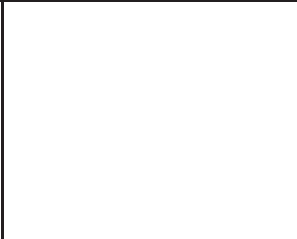
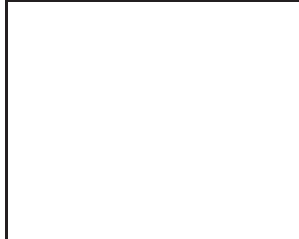
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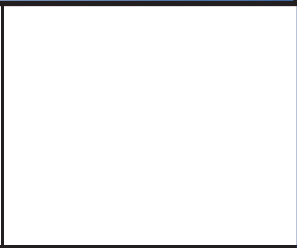
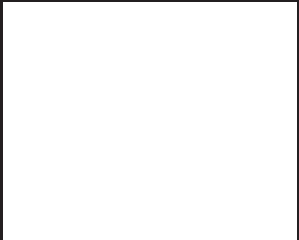
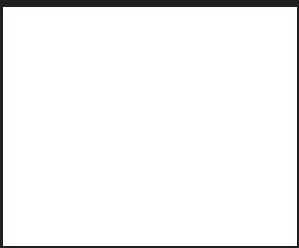
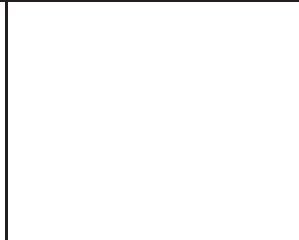
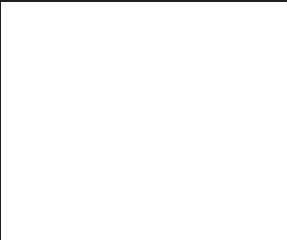
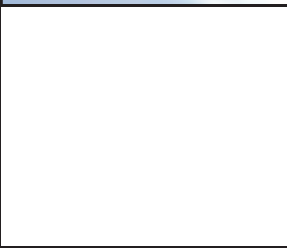
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