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9:00 a.m. – 12 noon
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Finance Council: Isidro Castanon, Chairman
Building Committee: Joe Kana, Scott Tran, Chairman

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	April	27	6:30 p.m.	+Annie Dolezal by Debbie Barnett.
Tuesday	April	28	8:00 a.m.	+Paul & Dorothy Kocurek by Debbie Barnett. +Ignac Shimek by James & Patsy Gibson.
Wednesday	April	29	8:00 a.m.	+David & Richard Kocurek by Debbie Barnett.
Thursday	April	30	8:00 p.m.	+Pete & Edith Kocurek by Debbie Barnett.
Friday	May	1	8:00 a.m.	+Roberto Gonzalez by Ruben & Julia Gonzalez.
Saturday	May	2	8:00 p.m.	+Thomas Navarro by Raul & Carolyn Villarreal.
Sunday	May	3	9:30 a.m.	Brooklyn Hafernack in thanksgiving for her Birthday by Gary & Peggy Hafernack.
Domingo	Mayo	3	11:00 a.m.	+Manuel y Maria Uribe by Fam. Para toda la gente de la parroquia.

NOTICE:

While public masses are not being offered at this time, Fr. Dominic and Fr. Francis will celebrate private Masses covering the Mass intentions requested. Please pray in solidarity and make a Spiritual Communion for God's grace.

During this health crisis our Church will remain open for private devotion and prayer, as long this does not pose a risk to the public. Protocols for social distancing are to be practiced. **Also, the church office is open Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, our main telephone line is not working but you can contact us at 361-972-2606.**

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Hellon Holder, Amanda Hasselo, Dominga Gonzalez, Douglas Hlavaty, Kathie White, Viola Duran, Robert Swire Jr, Charles Johnston, Stacy Watkins, Herbert Ressler, Clint Kochn, Elyra Contreras, Bobbie Garcia Sr., Beba Estrello, Brandon Janak, Cathy Mccay, Connie Alamia, Ramon Guerrero Jr, Dian Strogram, Jack Harris, Greg Comer, Elyssa Garcia, Juan Contreras, Vickie Peña, Debbie Reyna, Sandra Digiovanni, George Junek, Nick Garcia, Esthela Lucio, Russell Harper, Librado Segovia, Carolyn Kubecka, Anthony Constancio, Alex Garcia Sr., Baby Robert Aparicio, John Connor, Pauline Buckley, Clara Cruz, John Herlin, Caleb Harvey, Carolyn McDonald, Clifton Bram, Michael Novak, Christopher Duke, Sebastian Hurtado, Mary Alice Garza, Frankie Alderete, Josh Buckley, Skeeter Wollam, Cindy Janak Junek, Blair Casey, Mary Duran, Marty Richard, Thelma Halloway, Maria Isabel Rangel, Rachel Maldonado, Mai Hong Thuy, Liz Guerra, Sam Cerny, Susie Orsak, Tommy Beard, Janice Leck, Jennie Stuhrenberg, Tereza Shimek.

Pray for those in the Military: Sharon Lamorie Jones, Steven Page, Daron May, Vincent Garcia Jr., Ryan Malek, Angel Zamora, Bianca Pifa, Jason Nguyen, Henry Molina, Gilberto Hernandez, Adrian Ortiz, Emilio Garcia, Harleigh Gibson, Alexandra Vieira, Alysha Jasek, Bubba Cerda, Maria del Carmen Serrato, Luis Baez Jr, David Cruz Jr, Iram Saldierna, Alexis Cano, Bryce Hackfield.

Pray for the Seminarians of the Diocese of Victoria: Deacon James Dvorak, Deacon Dalton Ervin, Deacon Chase Goodman, Tran Dinh, Ryan Kapavik, Aaron Padilla, Luke Prihoda, Adam Shimek Philippe Dubourdieu, Caleb Krischke, Shane Goetz, Richard Barefield.

Pray for vocations everyday:

Say one Hail Mary every day for new priestly and religious vocations from our parish.

Knights of Columbus meets the third Thursday each month at 7 pm in the Family Center.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas meets the First Monday each month at 7 pm in the Family Center.

Junior Catholic Daughters meets the Third Sunday each month at 3 pm at the Family Center.

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of each month we have th Eucharistic Adoration from 7:00 pm – 7:00 am and every Thursday from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Adoración al Santísimo

Cada primer viernes del mes tenemos Adoración Eucarística de 7:00 pm- 7:00 am y todos los Jueves de las 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Weekly Contributions

The Bishop asks the faithful to continue to support their parish by mail, or drop it by the office. This will ensure our parish is able to meet payrolls and pay monthly bills.

Thank you!

Thank you to all of our supportive and generous community, especially during this current pandemic. We are truly grateful for the love and the support! You can send your contributions by traditional mail to the parish, or you can drop off your donations to the office



Prayer

Our Lady of Guadalupe, in these times of tribulation we turn to you O Mother.

See with compassion the suffering of your beloved daughters and sons affected by the Coronavirus Pandemic throughout the entire world. Ask your Son to have mercy on us bringing healing to those infected and protection to all your children.

Jesus Christ, savior of all people, grant us courage to accompany and pray for the entire world in the wake of sorrow and uncertainty. We seek refuge in you and according to your promise, deliver us from this danger. Amen.

PRAY for the virus to be contained & to begin to decline.

PRAY for those infected to be healed.

PRAY for fear in people to be replaced by the peace of Jesus.

PRAY for wisdom for our government & health officials as they lead our communities and nations.

PRAY for the protection of all healthcare workers.

PRAY for the gospel to spread and for people to turn to Jesus.

Let's keep each other in prayer



Sunday: John 20:19-31

Monday: John 3:1-8

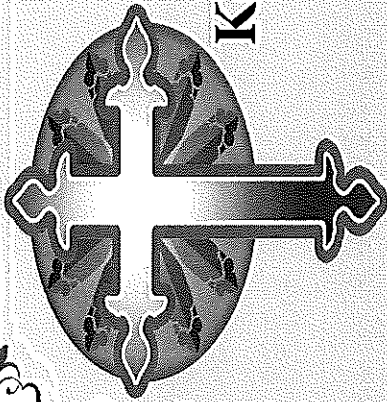
Tuesday: John 3:7b-15

Wednesday: John 3:16-21

Thursday: John 3:31-36

Friday: John 6:1-15

Saturday: Mark 16:15-20



HE IS RISEN

Keep the Sabbath Holy by watching Mass

www.victoriadiocese.org

Bible Memory Verses

I keep the LORD always before me; with him at my right hand, I shall never be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad, my soul rejoices; my body also dwells secure, For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, nor let your devout one see the pit. You will show me the path to life.

Psalms 16 :8-11

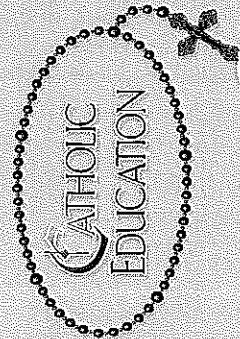
God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses. Exalted at the right hand of God, he received the promise of the holy Spirit from the Father and poured it forth, as you see and hear.

Acts Ch. 2: 32-33

Weekly Challenge

- Pray the Holy Rosary
- Read Psalm 91
- Continue Reading the Book of Matthew

Remember: GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME







Saint Anthony of Padua
Catholic Church

Week 5:
Home Study

IN THE PARISH

What letter **begins** each picture name? Circle the beginning letter. Then color the pictures.

 Read the Gospel and Color

	F	F	E	T
	S	C	R	S
	C	R	O	C



GOSPEL MEDITATION | APRIL 26TH, 2020 | THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

What does it take for our eyes to be opened? Every day, a man laboriously walks down Main Street of town. With great difficulty but graceful determination, he places one foot in front of the other, uses a crudely made staff for support, and walks. His pace is slow, but he walks. What does he hope to see? Where does he want to go? What does he find? We all walk through life. The type of "walking" life requires is not always physical but is most assuredly emotional and spiritual. We walk, we look, we encounter, and we seek. How we do these things and what we actually find is determined by what we carry and what we allow ourselves to discover along the way.

If walking is too challenging for us, we may choose to isolate and stay alone. If we are afraid to walk, we may become overly dependent on others providing for us and abandon the journey. We can walk and pay attention only to what is in front of our feet and never notice the immensity of what is happening around us. The road is never the same twice. The journey is always different. What kinds of things do you notice as you walk through life? It seems that the disciples of the Road to Emmaus missed a lot at first. We do as well.

We are called to walk with purpose, to listen, and to notice things that may not at first be apparent. We have to allow the One who has a special claim on our soul to enlighten, instruct, and inspire us. The incarnate mystery of God is pulsating in and through all of creation, where the presence of the Word who became flesh can be discovered. He has been with us all along. How could we have missed Him? Our journey brings us back to the breaking of the bread, and something begins to stir within us. We begin to understand, and things look differently. Bread, body, wine, and blood bring us to see that everyone and everything is a "Eucharistic" encounter. We become what we eat and we see what we eat. We continue to walk. Our eyes are now opened, and we recognize Him. Our hearts burn. Stay with us. Please stay with us.

OUR STORY TOO

The story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus is one of the loveliest stories in the Gospel. But how does it connect with us?

There is a painting, by the Dutch painter, Rembrandt, of Jesus sitting at table between the two disciples. The painting tries to capture the rapture on the faces of the disciples at the moment they recognized Jesus.

There was a guide whose job it was to show Rembrandt's painting to visitors to the museum where it hung. He always began by telling them the story behind the picture, the story we just read in the Gospel. Sadly, for many years he told the story mechanically and without conviction.

Then his wife, whom he loved dearly, got very sick, and died a short while later. He could see absolutely no meaning in her suffering and untimely death. She was a good person. She did not deserve to die like that.

He was heartbroken. For him, it was as if the world had come to an end. Nevertheless, sometime after the funeral, he was persuaded to go back to work at the museum. So, once again, he found himself telling the story, only more mechanically than before.

Then, one day, something clicked inside him and suddenly, he realized that the story was not just about those two disciples. It was about him, too.

Like those two disciples, he was going down a sad and lonely road. Even though he was a believer, up to this point, Jesus had been little more than a figure who lived only in the musty pages of the Gospels. But now Jesus came alive for him. He felt his presence at his side, the presence of a friend who knew all about human suffering.

At that moment, his eyes were opened and he saw things differently. It was as if he was hearing the Easter message for the first time. His heart began to burn within him. Jesus was alive! Therefore, his beloved wife, who believed in Jesus, was alive too, because Jesus overcame death not just for himself but for us too.

He went on telling the story at the museum, only now he told it differently. He told it with feeling and conviction. As he did so, a healing process was at work inside him. And he began to hope and live again.

So, what is the connection with us? The connection is that all of us have some experience of the road to Emmaus. The road to Emmaus represents the road of disappointment, failure, sorrow, grief, and broken dreams.

The risen Lord is with us on this road, even though we may not recognize him. He shows that God brings good out of evil, life out of death, and glory out of pain and suffering.

The resurrection of Jesus opens all our stories to the prospect, not just of a good ending, but of a glorious ending. Surely, that should set our hearts on fire.

