

Parish Bulletin for  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
And St Jude's

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**ROAD TO  
EMMAUS**



**acts 2:14, 22-28; psalms 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11;  
first peter 1:17-21; lake 24:13-35**

**LIFE ON EARTH IS A JOURNEY**

Frustration is a function of expectations. We become frustrated, or discouraged, because the reality of what happens doesn't measure up to what we were expecting. This is true for small things - as when an unforeseen event threatens to make us late for an important appointment. But it is also true for big things.

Desperate actions, like suicide, adultery, or apostasy, often follow in the wake of a deep disappointment, a fundamental clash between the reality of life and our expectations for life. Today Jesus wants to adjust our expectations. If we let him do that, it will be a major milestone in our spiritual lives.

In three different ways, today's Readings present us with a biblical metaphor for what human life in this fallen world really is. The Psalm explains that God is faithful, that if we stay close to him, he will safely "show us the path to life, abounding joy in God's presence, the delights at his right hand forever." The path to eternal life - that's the metaphor for what this earthly adventure really is. And in the Second Reading, St Peter tells us to "conduct ourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning." A time of sojourning, of journeying. We are on our way home; we are pilgrims heading towards heaven, towards our Father's house. The Gospel passage is a living parable for the same truth - Jesus walking with his disci-



ples along the road to Emmaus. That's what this life is—a pilgrimage, a journey, a path.

If we truly see life this way, as it truly is, we will expect what pilgrims expect: joys and adventures, yes, but also hardship, danger, and suffering. But if we expect somehow to achieve perfect happiness with no hardships here and now - then we open the door to constant disappointment, frustration, and deep sadness.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Easter Flower Donations and Memorials

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The word "laugh" appears for the first time in the Bible in Gen 17:17 when God informs the 100-year-old Abraham that his 90-year-wife Sarah will give birth to a son. Both Abraham and Sarah laughed heartily. God commanded Abraham to name his son "Isaac," which in Hebrew means "God's laugh." After she gave birth to Isaac, Sarah exclaimed: "God has given me cause to laugh; all those who hear of it will laugh with me. (Gen 21:6)

**Third Sunday of Easter**

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### **future events**

May 5—SJ Parish Council  
May 7—OLPH Parish Council  
May 17—SJ Senior Mass at 1030a  
May 29—Weber/Carpenter Wedding SJ  
July 7—SJ Parish Council  
July 9—OLPH Parish Council  
Oct 6—SJ Parish Council  
Oct 8—OLPH Parish Council  
Aug 1—Hysten-Morgan Wedding SJ  
Jan 12 2021—SJ Parish Council  
Jan 14 2021—OLPH Parish Council

### **PRAY FOR THE DEAD**

+Avis Majkrzak—2019-05-13  
+Irene Huard—2019-05-23  
+Emily Michael—2019-06-21  
+Catherine Adam—2019-07-04  
+Arlene Storbakken—2019-07-05  
+Mildred Leddige—2019-09-04  
+Dorothy Cavanaugh Amaro  
+Diane Majkrzak—2019-11-12  
+Fr Leo Kinney—2019-11-11  
+Fr Gerald McCarthy—2019-11-25  
+Carla Sletten—2019-12-04  
+Fr Larry Haas—2019-12-08  
+Frances Fetter—2019-12-17  
+Dorothy Rakoczy—2020-01-28  
+Gladys Trytten—2020-03-14  
+Bernard West—2020-04-13

A priest and a layman were watching a prize fight. When one of the fighters made the sign of the cross before the bell, the priest's companion said, "See that! He made the sign of the cross. Will that help him, father?"

"It will—if he knows how to box." the priest said.

Adoration will be held from 5p to 9p at OLPH this Tuesday.

There is a true story of an Englishman who came to the States in the 1800s during the California Gold Rush to seek his fortune.

After two years in the gold mines, he struck it rich. On his way back to England he stopped in New Orleans. One day he ran across a slave auction there. He watched as two men bid for a beautiful young woman who was being sold. The crowd was jeering and yelling crude jokes about why the men were bidding so high for the girl.

Slavery had already been outlawed in England, and the Englishmen's blood was beginning to boil at the injustice. Just as the bidding was about to end, he shouted out a bid twice as high as the previous one. The auctioneer asked to see his money. The man showed him his satchel of gold. As he went to take possession of the slave girl, she spat in his face and said, "I hate you." The crowd laughed.

The Englishman then took her to an office down town. He went in while she remained outside. He was inside arguing for a long time, and finally she saw him pour out the rest of his gold in exchange for some papers. He came back out to her and gave her the papers. He said, "These are your manumission papers. Now you are a free woman." She spat at him again and said, "I hate you. Now you're making fun of me. You just bought me, how could you want to set me free?" The man wiped his face with his handkerchief and said, "But that's why I bought you—to set you free!"

Christ paid a higher price to free us from sin and hopelessness - as St Peter reminds us in the Second Reading. And yet, he paid it just as willingly, because he wasn't thinking of himself - he was thinking of us.

That's why he died on the cross. And that's why he stays with us in the silence of the Eucharist, even if it means exposing himself to abuses and sacrilege. And that's why he is life's most faithful companion, whom we can count on. He buys us just to set us free.

### **mass intentions**

#### **april 2020**

25 +Kate Adam by Diane Bohlman  
26 Mass for the people  
+Kate Adam by K/M Knutson  
28 +Kate Adam by T/K Wigestrund  
29 +Vernon Adams by his family  
30 Michaela Moch by D/V Moch

#### **may 2020**

01 +Henrietta West by Jim Weber  
02 +Kate Adam by G/M Anderson  
03 Mass for the people  
+Tom & Margaret Meagher by R/C Thompson  
05 +Doug Adams by B/M Adams  
06 +Donna Weber by her family  
07 +Kasper Moch by D/V Moch  
08 +Decreased parents of Doug & Bea Berg  
09 +Clarence & Isabella Sten by L/P Kuster  
10 Mass for the people  
+Arlene Storbakken - Memorial Mass  
12 +Steve Austreng by B/M Adams  
13 +Kate Adam by Jim Weber  
14 +Carla Sletten by F/S Argeniano  
15 +Diane Majkrzak by M/B McGurran  
16 +Larry Holien  
17 Mass for the people  
+Donna Weber by her family

*mass intentions will be honored in a daily private mass offered by the pastor until such time as when they can be scheduled in individual parishes and attendance allowed.*

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