

# St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 26, 2020.

## Reflections on Sundays' Readings

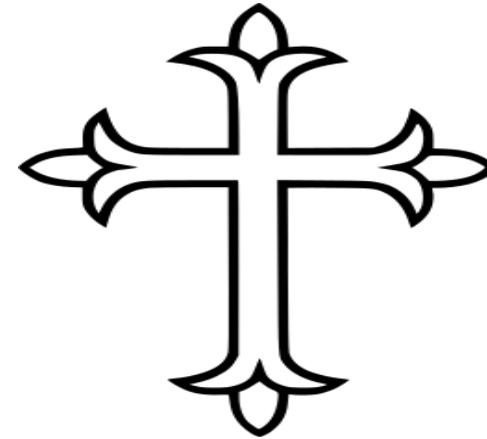
**Scripture lessons summarized:** The first reading, from Acts, is taken from the beginning of Peter's first public proclamation about Jesus and tells us how God raised Jesus from death, thus fulfilling the Messianic prophecies about the promised descendant of David. The Refrain for today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 16), has us singing, "**Lord, you will show us the path of Life.**" In the second reading, Peter exhorts the early Christians to place their Faith and Hope in God Who has saved them through the precious Blood of His Son and Who has raised Jesus from the dead. The Emmaus incident described in today's Gospel shows us a God who will not abandon us when we are hurt and disappointed. The message of today's Scripture readings is that the followers of Jesus are to maintain contact with their Risen Lord through prayer, the Eucharist, and the Bible. The readings also remind us that our belief in Jesus' presence in the consecrated Bread and Wine should help us to understand better his presence in the Bible and in the believing and worshipping community. Putting the two appearances (to the Emmaus disciples and to Peter), together, it is clear that the risen Jesus wanted Peter to act as spokesman for him, and that the faithful who seek to follow Jesus should seek his company in prayer, the Eucharist, and the Bible under the direction of Peter and his successors.

### Life messages:

**1) Jesus meets us on our Emmaus Road.** The risen Lord meets us on the road to our Emmaus, both in the ordinary experiences of our lives, and in the places to which we retreat when life is too much for us. We, too, have hopes and dreams about better health, healing, financial security and better family relationships. These often shatter. The story promises us, however, that Jesus will come to us in unfamiliar guises to support and strengthen us when we least expect the risen Lord. Emmaus moments come to us when we meet the risen Christ on our life's journey through rough times.

**2) We meet Jesus on a daily basis in our life's journey.** The Church instructs us to hear Jesus on a daily basis through prayer, through the faithful reading of, and meditation on, the Bible, through our experience Jesus as we participate in the Eucharistic celebration, where the risen Lord gives us Himself as our spiritual Food and Drink, through our personal and family prayers, and through our family meals. When we meet Jesus in the Eucharist and through the Word of God, we commune with him in prayer, and thus renew our relationship of mutual loving service. These meetings, then, enable us to encounter the risen Jesus living in all the people we meet and, in them, to offer our Lord humble, loving, selfless service.

**3) Do our hearts burn when we listen to the risen Lord in the Bible?** Christ comes to us most clearly in the Word. Vatican II (*Dei Verbum* 21) tells us that Jesus is to be equally venerated in the Eucharist and in the Bible. Therefore, we need to study the Bible, learn the Bible, pray with the Bible, memorize the Bible, meditate on the word of God with burning zeal, and practice what the Bible teaches.



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### Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30 PM	Sacred Heart Church ( <b>July 4th to Labor day</b> )
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11:00 AM	Gate of Heaven

### Weekday

<b>M/T/F/S</b>	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
<b>Thursday</b>	12:00 PM	St. Aloysius

### Adoration

<b>M/T/F</b>	7:30 to 8:15 AM
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

### Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Eve:	5:30 PM	Gate of Heaven
Holy Day:	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	7:00 PM	St. Aloysius

### Sacraments

**Confession:** Before all masses.

**Baptism:** Call the rectory to make arrangements.

**Marriage:** Call the rectory to schedule your Wedding and pre-Cana classes

### Pastoral Visitation

When confined at home, please call the rectory to arrange for a visit and Holy Communion. Please call the rectory if you are facing surgery or hospitalization and would like the Sacrament of the Sick.

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

As a parish, we strive to bring our communities of Catholic Christians together, as we have for over 100 years, by loving and serving God and Each other through Worship, education and service.

**MASS INTENTIONS: April 25 - May 3, 2020**

**NOTE: All masses are celebrtd privately at the time mentioned**

**Saturday, April 25**

8.15 AM-Local Business People  
4.PM- **Hentry+Helen Mrowka**

**Mon, April 27**

8.15. AM - Special Intention

**Wed 29**

**8.15 AM-**

**Thurs, April 30**

12. P.M- Hedwig & Anton Hartmann

**Saturday, May 2**

8.15 AM- Unborn

4.PM- Lee and Yonker Families

**Sunday, April 26**

9:00 AM - Farmers  
11.00 AM - Dolores Mealie Quick

**Tues. April 28**

8:15 AM - Matthew Kocher

**Fri. May 1**

8.15 AM- Byrne and Colligan Families

**Sunday, May 3**

9:00 AM- Alice Rooney& Pig Piggot

11:00.AM- unborn

**NOTE: No Gift can replace offering a mass for departed soul or welfare of living. We have openings for weekdays and weekend masses.**

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED**

**For the Sick:** Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Colleen & Jerrilynn O’Neil; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn, Christopher Merklin, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Erma Carlson , Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Carrie Neer-Molinari, Easton Gorr. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh, Deniese Harting, Maureen Molloy, Frank Kinsley, Mary Jones, Carl Diane Rafi, Walter Hanewich, David Porter and David & Gina Teipelke.

**For the Deceased:** Nickolaus Bermel Jr, Bill Guinan, Sr. Kenneth Reddington, Jim Englehardt, Ellen Krajcovic, John Augusta, Max Evans, Mildred Irace, PaulaJordan,Bernard Greenthal, Vivian Kocher, Raimondo Aiello and Maria Sander.

**COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY**

Is in need of spaghetti sauce, soup, tuna fish, jelly and cereal.

<p><b>Collection and donation Last Week.</b> <b>Thank you \$ 1865</b></p>	<p><b>Readings for Next Sunday</b> <b>Acts 2:14, 22-23</b> <b>I Peter 1:17-21</b> <b>Luke 24:13-35</b></p>	<p><b>BIBLE STUDY</b> Good Soil Bible Study Group will not meet until further notice. Tuesday 4.00 PM at Rectory.</p>
<p><b>Parish council Meeting</b> Parish council Meeting is cancelled until further notice. If you have something to discuss urgently, please notify us through mail. We can discuss it over email. Thank you.</p>	<p><b>MOTHERS’ DAY</b> We are celebrating Mothers’ day weekend of May 9 &amp; 10. We have a duty to pray for our mothers living and dead Masses are being offered for mothers living and dead. Mothers’ day envelop was sent to you through mail. Please fill it and send it through mail or send your mother’s name through email. We wish all mothers happy mother’s day. Thank you.</p>	
<p><b>WATCHING THE MASS ON FACEBOOK</b> You can watch the mass on our Church Facebook at 11. AM every Sunday. You are not obliged to watch that. Feel free to watch the mass on TV, any other Facebook or any medium available.</p>		<p><b>Gift through online-Giving</b> For <b>April</b> \$ 565 Donors= 10 Average gift = \$50.6</p>
<p><b>Finding our inner peace</b> There will always be false prophets and deceivers, “wolves in sheep’s clothing,” Jesus called them. But this does not mean that we are to go about criticizing and correcting; that only separates further. It is only necessary to be true to oneself; and if it is called for, to speak our own understanding of what the truth is without denigrating others. Peace is achieved more effectively by trying to bring out the best, not pointing out the worst, in others. And we bring out the best in others by being ourselves peaceful. Our own peaceful presence will do more than trying to persuade others that we are right and they are wrong. Peacefulness is its own persuasion. That is the best option, it seems to me, for those committed to living the Gospel. The Franciscan response to sin and division is to forgive myself and my neighbor, thereby becoming peaceful in my own center, and then to reach out to others and “work mercy” with them, even with those whom I find it difficult to love, who repel me in any way. We work together toward the good, or we perish as individuals, as societies and as civilizations</p>		

