

MASS INTENTIONS FOR April 14– 22, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday,	April 14	5:00 pm	For + Rhea Sirianni by the CWL
Sunday,	April 15	9:30 am	For + Jacinto Pereira by Mike and Estrela
		11:30 am	For + Edwin Pfleider by Estrella Mendoza
Tuesday,	April 17	9:00 am	For + Helen Gallagher by the CWL
Wednesday,	April 18	9:00 am	For + Arsenio Balanga by Arthur and Helen
Thursday,	April 19	9:00 am	In thanksgiving by Fannie
Friday,	April 20	7:00 pm	Community Mass Intentions

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday,	April 21	5:00 pm	For + Edwin Joseph Pfleider by the Mendoza family
Sunday,	April 22	9:30 am	For + Bernard Rivard by his sister Edna Roy
		11:30 am	For + Joffre & Clara Gervais by Fern and Carmen Morin

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK :

Tuesday, April 17 7:00 pm K.C. 4th Degree
Wednesday, April 18 3:30—7:30 pm BLOOD DONOR CLINIC
@ Kingsway Legion 14339-50 St.
7:00 pm CWL meeting

Thursday, April 12 7:00 pm Legion of Mary

HOLY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS WITH CHILD MEETING
(this meeting is mandatory)



COMMUNION

Thursday, April 19 7:00 pm
OR

Saturday, April 21 12 noon



CONFIRMATION PARENTS MEETING WITH CHILD
(this meeting is mandatory)

Saturday, April 21 1:30 pm
OR

Tuesday, April 25 @ 7:00 pm

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK: Faith upholds a Christian under all trials, by assuring him that every painful dispensation is under the direction of his Lord.

Grace with lines inspired by this weeks readings.



Leader: Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. May we be bearers of peace.

All: Lord, Jesus, May peace find a home in our hearts.

Together: “Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen”

After the meal: “We give you thanks, Almighty God, for all your gifts, who live and reign now and forever. Amen”

HEARING, REFLECTING AND LIVING THE WORD

Luke 24:36-39

Hearing the Word: Jesus stood in the midst of the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you,” But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, “Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.”

Reflecting on the Word: “Peace be with you” is such a powerful phrase, It does not promise that things will never go wrong or that we can completely control our surrounds. No matter what has or will happen, we can be at peace. If peace is simply with

us, we can walk in the midst of the storm untroubled by the lightning strikes close to our feet. When we practice peace in all we do, we allow peace to make a home in our soul.

How do you live peace in your life?

Does anything threaten to steal you peace?

Living the Word: Practice peace today. Have the family choose an activity during which all will peacefully interact with each other in an almost exaggerated way. Everyone should feel free to have fun with this since humor is a close cousin to peace and often brings harmony to an intense situation. Perhaps you might compliment each other while playing a board game. Notice what it is like to live in peace. Was it easy, hard, enjoyable? Would family members like to try this during a dinner table discussion?



CWL PROMOTION WEEKEND AND BAKE SALE

APRIL 27/28 Please come check out our yummy baking in the hall after mass next week-end.

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Women's League or would like some more information, the ladies wearing the blue sashes will be delighted to answer your questions.

WORLD YOUTH DAY: PALM SUNDAY, 2018
MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS
Con't from last week

Discernment is indispensable when searching for one's vocation in life. More often than not our vocation is not obvious or evident at first but rather something we come to understand gradually. Discernment, in this case, should not be seen as an individual effort at introspection, with the aim of better understanding our interior make-up so as to strengthen us and acquire some balance. In such instances the person can become stronger, but is still confined to the limited horizon of his or her possibilities and perspectives. Vocation, however, is a *call from above*, and discernment in this context principally means opening ourselves to the Other who calls. Prayerful silence is therefore required in order to hear the voice of God that resounds within our conscience. God knocks at the door of our hearts, as he did with Mary; he longs to establish friendship with us through prayer, to speak with us through the Sacred Scriptures, to offer us mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and to be one with us in the Eucharist.

It is also important to dialogue with and encounter *others*, our brothers and sisters in the faith who have more experience, for they help us to see better and to choose wisely from the various possibilities. When the young Samuel hears the voice of the Lord, he does not recognize it immediately. Three times he runs to Eli, the older priest, who in the end proposes the right response to give to the Lord's call: "If he calls you, you shall say: 'Speak Lord, for your servant hears.'" (*1 Sam 3:9*). In your doubts know that you can rely on the Church. I know that there are very good priests, consecrated men and woman and lay faithful, many of whom are also young, who can support you like older brothers and sisters in the faith. Enlivened by the Holy Spirit, they will help you to make sense of your doubts and understand the plan of your own vocation. The *other* is not only a spiritual guide, but also the person who helps us open ourselves to the infinite riches of the life that God has given us. It is important to create spaces in our cities and communities to grow, to dream and to look at new horizons! Never lose the enthusiasm of enjoying others' company and friendship, as well as the pleasure of dreaming together, of walking together. Authentic Christians are not afraid to open themselves to others and share with them their own important spaces, making them spaces of fraternity. Dear young people, do not allow the spark of youth to be extinguished in the darkness of a closed room in which the only window to the outside world is a computer and smartphone. Open wide the doors of your life! May your time and space be filled with meaningful relationships, real people, with whom to share your authentic and concrete experiences of daily life.

2. *Mary!*

"I have called you by name" (*Is 43:1*). The first reason not to fear is the fact that God has called us *by name*. The angel, God's messenger, called Mary by name. To God belongs the power to give names. In the work of creation, he calls into existence every creature by name. There is an identity behind a name, that which is unique in every single thing, in every single person; that intimate essence that only God truly knows. This divine prerogative was shared with man when God invited him to name the animals, the birds and also his own offspring (*Gen 2:19-21; 4:1*). Many cultures share this profound biblical vision; they recognize in a name the revelation of the profound mystery of life and the meaning of existence. Cont'd next week.



Third Sunday of Easter

April 14/15, 2018

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REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S READINGS. 3rd Sunday of Easter

When new employees join a company, it's common to have an orientation to bring new people "on board." A new employee needs to understand both the past and the future history of the company. How can they connect with what's gone before? How can they be part of the company's mission for the future?

In today's Gospel, Jesus conducts a kind of "Christian orientation" for his startled and frightened disciples—most of whom are encountering him for the first time as the risen Lord. He first reassures them that he—Jesus—is the one they knew before the crucifixion. But there have been a *few* changes! He's not a ghost, he is truly alive. And he shares a meal with his friends to prove it.

But they have their doubts anyway—perhaps some of the same doubts shared by Luke's communities years later: How could Jesus be the promised Messiah, and have suffered the terrible death by crucifixion? And so Jesus patiently interprets the Hebrew Scriptures to explain his mission as God's "Suffering Servant."

But the past is only preparation for the future! The message of Good News must be preached to the ends of the earth. The disciples are now his witnesses, commissioned to carry his message to the world. And so are we who gather at our Easter Eucharist with the Risen Lord today!