

When the two disciples returned from Emmaus, they recounted what had taken place on the way.

Luke 24:35

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER \sim FULFILLMENT \sim It is interesting that during the Easter season, when we do not hear a reading from the Old Testament, it becomes so important. This is particularly true today. Peter's speech begins with a prayer formula familiar to Jews: "The God of Abraham . . ." (Acts 3:13). It likewise contains the potent phrases "Holy and Righteous One" and "mouth of all the prophets" (3:14, 18). Peter was stating in no uncertain terms that the law, psalms, and prophets had been fulfilled in Christ. This is reinforced by Jesus Himself in the Gospel passage, when he states that everything in the scriptures (to the early Christians "the scriptures" were what we call the Old Testament) had to be fulfilled. Above all, Jesus and Peter both emphasize that we are witnesses to all of this, and are sent forth to bear witness to it in the world. The Latin Missa, from which our word "Mass" comes, means "sent" (as in "mission"). As we leave Mass today, let us remember to be witnesses to all that has been fulfilled in the risen Christ. ~ ~ Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Third Sunday of Easter - Peter saw Jesus after the Resurrection. He listened as Jesus told the disciples all that had been written about him in the scriptures, all that he had said and done when he was ministering among them. Peter heard how Jesus had fulfilled all in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms. Jesus, the Messiah, had come to be among them to bring them peace, to offer forgiveness of their sins. Peter shared this Good News with the crowds who gathered to hear him tell the sacred story, the story of God's love, poured out in Jesus the Christ and offered to the whole world. All who hear and believe are offered new life, life in which God's love is perfected in them. Are you listening? Are you ready to share in this abundant new life?

NOT WHAT WAS EXPECTED - Have you ever waited for something for so long you began to think it might never happen? Your graduation day, or the day of your marriage, or the birth of a child, perhaps. The Israelites had waited for centuries for the coming of the Messiah. Yet when Jesus, the long-awaited Anointed One came, many failed to believe in him. He wasn't what they expected. The Messiah was supposed to be a strong, powerful commander of armies, not humble, compassionate, and suffering. After his resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples and explained all that he had said in his time with them, opening their minds to what had been written in the scriptures so that they could accept his suffering and death and rejoice in his resurrection.

ATTENTION PLEASE: MASS SCHEDULE UPDATE AS OF JANUARY 2021



SUNDAY, 11 AM - OUTDOOR - PASTORS PLAZA AND - 5 PM SUNDAY MASS INDOOR - CHURCH ♥ REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND SATURDAY VIGIL/SUNDAY MASSES ◆ IF RAINING OR BAD WEATHER, ALL SERVICES ARE INDOORS ◆



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PRAYER INTENTIONS

FOR YEARS, WE HAVE TRADITIONALLY LISTED THE PRAYER INTENTIONS IN THE BULLETIN. KEEPING WITH THAT TRADITION, WE NOW LIST THOSE INTENTIONS AND PLACE THEM ON THE ALTAR DURING MASS. (THIS IS A TEMPORARY CHANGE. - THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING)

SUNDAY, APRIL 18TH -

7 AM - VIRGINIA & CHARLES MICHENER **

9 AM - DOROTHY MOORMAN ◆

11 AM - ROSF PIUMFTTI 🕈

5 PM - ST. ANASTASIA PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, APRIL 19TH 8 AM - JESUS' MERCY & MOTHER MARY'S INTERCESSION

TUESDAY, APRIL 20th 8 AM - BETTE JANE FERRA 🕈

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21st 8 AM - MR. & MRS. DAVE PETTIT •

THURSDAY, APRIL 22ND 8 AM - ARMEN, DARA, TYLER, TONY

FRIDAY, APRIL 23RD 8 AM - ADALBERTO GONZALEZ, Sr. ★☆

> SATURDAY, APRIL 24TH 8 AM - MANUEL PEREZ, Sr. 🕈 5 PM - BETTE JANE FERRA 🕈





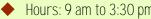


THE CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR SERVICES - PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR UPDATES

The safety of our parishioners continues to be our top priority at all times. THE PARISH OFFICE REMAINS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

We encourage you to contact us ONLY by phone: 310.670.2243, or email: parish@st-anastasia.org. Hours: 9 am to 3:30 pm.

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Parish Ball ... ONLY 5 DAYS AWAY!



Panther S trong Parish Ball at Home 🚅 2021

Save the Date, A pril 24th, 2021

Registration is now open - free for all to attend! http://bidpal.net/parishball2021

> The silent auction will be online only, April 17-23. The virtual event will be on April 24 consisting of:

- Golden Ticket Winner*
 - Donation Appeal
 - Live auction
- A fun "Minute-to-Win-It" Tournament! **
- Pre-order your Party Packs** and make-at-home Pizza Kits to enjoy the event at home! **(Party Packs are necessary to participate in the Minute to Win it Tournament). Local attendees can pick up their silent auction winnings, party packs, and pizza kits at the school on Saturday, April 24.

Check the School and Parish websites!

CFI FBRATING OUR FAITH ~ Next Week ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter Saturday, April 24th, and Sunday, Ápril 25th, 2021

MASSES: **CELEBRANTS:** Sat: 5 pm Fr. Semik Sun: 7 am Fr. Innocent Sun: 9 am Fr. Semik Msgr. Cox Holy Communion @ 12:30 pm Fr. Innocent Fr. Semik



We encourage all to read and reflect on the Biblical passages that will be proclaimed at Masses next week!

First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).



Saint Anastasia was born in 281 A.D. and became a perfect symbol of peace, humanity, and solidarity. Her Feast Day is December 25th. She is a symbol of dialogue and collaboration. In her spirit, and in the spirit of love, we welcome all to the Catholic Community of St. Anastasia Catholic Church.

Did You Know?

The Archdiocese continues helping survivors of sexual abuse and their families

During National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and on behalf of Archbishop José H. Gomez, we affirm our continued commitment to report allegations of sexual misconduct to law enforcement, support victim-survivors in their healing journey, and protect children and the vulnerable. The Archdiocese created a website, https://protect.la-archdiocese.org/ that serves as a comprehensive tool containing resources, programs and services for protecting children, and reporting abuse. If you, or someone you know, is a victim of sexual misconduct by someone affiliated with our Church, please contact law enforcement and the Archdiocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator at (213) 637-7650 or visit https://lacatholics.org/ reporting-child-abuse/ for help and support. In addition, Archbishop Gomez invites you to join him and many across the Archdiocese to the Novena for Protecting and Healing from Abuse, April 22-30. To join please visit https://lacatholics.org/united-together/.

"Gentle Jesus, Shepherd of Peace, join to your

own suffering the pain of all who have been hurt in body, mind, and spirit by those who betrayed the trust placed in them."

THIS YEAR'S NOVENA FOR

HEALING FROM ABUSE WILL TAKE PLACE APRIL 22-APRIL 30.

Information on how to participate in the novena will be available in the coming days. Please check this website: https://lacatholics.org/united-together/.

REMINDERS:

- ◆ Saint Anastasia offers Drive-Through Holy Communion, Sundays at 12:30 pm.
 - CONFESSIONS on Saturday, from 3:30 to 4:45 PM
 DIAMOND COURTYARD

Holy Water is available in the Parish Office.

Those interested, please call before coming, since the office remains CLOSED to the Public, @ 310-670-2243.

A donation is welcomed!

NEWS FROM YOUR DRE (PCL)

Please contact me for any of the following, with questions or concerns.

Sacrament Preparation Class Updates:

- First Holy Communion Year 1 and Year 2,
- Confirmation Year 1 and Year 2.
- ◆ RCIA
- Family " ZOOMING with Jesus Time (Open to all families with or without children),
- Baptism Class Parents/Godparents.

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FACTS OF LIFF

Two brothers from Poplar Grove, Illinois, have launched their own business but there's something that sets them apart. The adopted brothers both have Down Syndrome, and together, they run Two Fresh Brothers, which sells individually created and packaged air fresheners, or "freshies." They're receiving so many orders and so much support that they have at times sold out Within an hour of launch, they sold out of their inventory. Since then, they've continued to see tons of support, and are returning the favor with a special fundraiser for World Down Syndrome Day, with four specially-themed freshies in celebration. "This year we wanted to use this platform and the boys' new business to raise money for an amazing organization, DSDN or the Down Syndrome Diagnosis Network. This organization comes alongside new parents just receiving a Down syndrome diagnosis, they help educate medical professionals on how to deliver a diagnosis to a new family, they grieve with parents who have lost a loved one with Down syndrome, and host retreats for moms and dads allowing them to get away to have some fun with other people who understand the journey. Their work is vital and necessary." Some continue to believe that people with Down syndrome aren't capable of many things, but more and more people, like Elijah and Malachi, are proving them wrong. www.liveaction.org

Courtesy Announcements

◆ Bishop Montgomery High School will host two Virtual Information Nights on Tuesday, April 20 and Wednesday, April 28 at 7:00pm. Prospective junior high and transfer student families are invited to learn why Bishop has been consistently voted the "South Bay's Best Private High School." Hear from BMHS administration, AP and STEM faculty, coaches, and students. Register at www.bmhs-la.org.



MINISTRY EQUIPS US TO DEEPEN OUR LOVE FOR GOD AND SHARE OUR FAITH...



"After Easter... Spring Cleaning"

From the Editor's Pen! Lent and Holy Week prepared us for a mission to clean up our souls, but let's not forget the lessons we've learned, now that the Easter Season is soon coming to an end. We entered a stage of reparation for the routine things we have been doing throughout the years, for the most significant time and day for Christians around the world: The Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! But what happens next? Do we go back to our daily chores, to our routines, or have we truly experienced a metamorphosis? Are we renewed and filled with the conviction and firm purpose of being better and of continuing to be? I hope so! Only with the help of continuous prayer, the reading of the Word of God, the support of our brethren of faith, can we achieve it. I think it's very similar to when we begin a new diet or change our exercise and life routine, we need support from others. It is very hard to do all this alone! The first Christian communities shared everything, so they could face the harsh repercussions and consequences that resulted from becoming followers of Jesus, the Nazarene.

If we think about the sacrifices we have made during Lent, and the way they made us feel, would we value them enough to continue towards further change?

Let's take advantage of this renewed stage, that comes after the Easter Celebration, and continue to work on the lessons we have learned. Letting these lessons expand into our daily habits, the way we eat, how we take care of ourselves, our homes, and workplaces. How do we treat and think of others? How are we ready to extend a hand to someone in need, to be an active listener for those who need to share their struggles? The way we prepare for Lent, really needs to reflect a metamorphosis, beyond those 40 days! This 'change' should be evident both inward and outward, just like the transformation of a caterpillar to a butterfly!

Are we ready to get rid of things we no longer use? Maybe a look around our closets, kitchen cabinets, garage...will also make us aware that it is very important not only to keep our souls, and minds free of burdens, but our surroundings. It also brings a better way of getting rid of those "extras" we have been accumulating — we can donate them, and let others less fortunate, benefit from them — this will really make us feel like we have done a good deed!!! It is a beautiful result of our Easter experience that we can carry with us throughout the year and make others happy at the same time!

The spring air leaves us with a very clear message, that it is time to open our windows to let the sun and fresh air renew our indoor and outdoor environment. That the Spirit of the Resurrection of Jesus, renews our inside and outside selves.

With God everything is possible!

** And looking at them Jesus said to them,

"With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." - Matthew 19:26 Reflection by A.R.

St. Anastasia Home Bible Study

Does the Bible Really Say That?!

Did a reading you heard at Mass ever leave you baffled?

Join Dr. Brant Pitre each week as he explains difficult passages, relates them to Catholic teaching, and gives cultural context for the Sunday Old and New Testament readings



On your own schedule, watch his engaging videos and participate in moderated Q&A and discussion with other members of St. Anastasia Bible Study.

Every Sunday like never before you will experience the richness of Sacred Scripture. Yes, it all makes sense.

There is no charge but registration is needed.

Contact: Carolyn Godlewski at ScriptureStudyGal@gmail.com

"For the one whom God sent speaks the words of God. He does not ration His gifts of the Spirit."



- John 3:34

During the past year, you probably saw some empty shelves at the grocery store. Shortages of things like flour and toilet paper reminded many people of other shortages in history. During World Word II, one solution to shortages was called rationing. Families could buy only a certain amount each week. Rationing meant that no one got a lot while others only got a little. Everyone got enough—sometimes just barely—to get by. When God gives us His Holy spirit, He doesn't give us just

enough to get by. He gives us an overflowing abundance. It

doesn't cost any money, and there is never any shortage of God's gifts. All you need is FAITH. Believe it!

God, thank you for your abundant gifts!



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BAPTISM: Parents and Godparents are required to participate in preparation program. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243.

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