

## GOSPEL

Lk 24: 35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

*It is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.*

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them: 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER / B

18 APRIL 2021

## THE CALL TO BE WITNESSES

Justice is often understood as fairness or even-handedness. The biblical tradition would not deny this but would tend to see justice as primarily about being in right relationship with God, oneself and others. Someone who is able to live in such a way would be seen to live in *shalom* (peace). On this Third Sunday of Easter these two dimensions are stressed. The first and second reading deal with Jesus as the just one who invites us to find and maintain balance in our relationships with God, ourselves and others. In the Gospel it is in relationship with the risen Jesus that we find true peace, as he leads us out of our fears and gives each one of us a new task – to be faithful and courageous witnesses.

Peter reaches out to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and re-opens the case for Jesus. He does not deny their mistake but states that since they acted in ignorance in killing Jesus the opportunity is still there for them to review their previous judgement and now accept Jesus as their saviour and come into right relationship with him. It is the Risen Lord who appears to the disciples and helps them to understand that even his brutal death was part of God's saving plan. Furthermore, his presence among them will lead them to overcome their fearful relationship to the world. A new relationship is called for since now they are given a new task, to be witnesses to the whole world.

Christopher Monaghan CP

## FIRST READING

Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**

*You killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.*

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

### ■ The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 4: 2, 4, 7, 9. R. v. 7

**R.** Lord, let your face shine on us.  
(or Alleluia!)

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice; / from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! **R.**
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; / the Lord hears me whenever I call him. **R.**
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. / Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. **R.**
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, / for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **R.**



## SECOND READING

1 Jn 2: 1-5

**A reading from the first letter of St John.**

*Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.*

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

### ■ The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Lk 24: 32

**Alleluia, alleluia! / Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: / make our hearts burn with love when you speak. / Alleluia!**

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## Third Sunday of Easter

**From Father Jess:**

### RISEN BUT WOUNDED

Our faith in the Risen Lord is a concrete faith, a faith in someone who is risen, yes, but not a "ghost", not a figment of the imagination, but real and so much like us, in everything except sin, including wounds and scars and struggles. Is this Jesus whom we believe, who walks by our side on the road of life, who sustains us with his love and strength when we struggle and are wounded? For he is really risen, and he goes with us start rising already now in this life above our troubles and fears and cowardice, until we are taken up in his unending joy and happiness. Let it be this Jesus with us with whom we can identify and to whom we bear witness in everyday life.

**From Pope Francis: (CHOOSING THE WAY OF GOD)**

Two different paths show us that in life, we have two opposite directions in front of us. One is the path of those who let themselves be paralysed by life's disappointments, and the other is that of those who put Jesus and their brothers and sisters in first place. Here is the turning point: to stop orbiting around oneself, the disappointments of the past, the unrealized ideals and to go on looking at the greatest and truest reality of life: Jesus is alive and loves me. In life, we are always journeying and we become what we go towards. Let us choose the way of God, not of self. We will discover that there are no unexpected events, no uphill path, no night that can not be faced with Jesus.

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### MASS THIS WEEK:

**Harvey**

Sat 17th Apr: 6:00pm

Jessie Italiano  
Bruno Italiano  
Palma Italiano  
Arthur Italiano

Sun 18th Apr: 8:30am

John Kinsella

**Brunswick:**

Sun 18th Apr: 10:30am

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

**Harvey:**

Tues 13th Apr: 9am

Wed 14th Apr: 9:30am

Hocart Lodge Mass

**Brunswick:**

Wed 14th Apr: 9am

Fri 16th Apr: 9am

### MASS NEXT WEEK:

**Harvey**

Sat 24th Apr: 6:00pm

Margaret Kinsella

Sun 25th Apr: 10:30am

**Brunswick:**

Sun 25th Apr: 8:30am

*\*Sacrament of Reconciliation and Praying of the Holy Rosary, every Saturday at 5:30pm.*

**The Beauty Index  
Dance by ordinary men  
doing extraordinary  
things.**



**When:** 5th May 2021, 7:30pm

**Where:** Harvey Rec Centre

**Tickets:** harveyrec.com or 9729 3311

*\*One of the beneficiaries will be our Monday Community Dinners.*



**SALVATORE "SAM" MARZANO,  
REST IN PEACE:** A funeral Mass was celebrated for Sam last Friday, the 16th of April, 10:30am in our Parish Church. Surrounded with his wife Maxine, the children and grandchildren, we prayed for his Eternal Peace and Joy.

**Please keep the following people in your prayers:**

Tina Minnella, Lena Italiano, Cosi Ventrice,  
Domenic Fimmano, Frank Fimmano, Margaret Price,  
Lui Sgambelluri, Tony Epiro, Peter Serefino,  
Judy Purnell and David Best.

*Please ring the parish office to arrange for Fr Jess for a visit.  
A minister of Holy Communion can also visit to take the Holy Eucharist for the sick and homebound.*

### Sacramental Programme 2021

**Sacramental Meeting:** 30th Apr (Fri), 3:15pm,  
Kinsella Hall

### Enrolment Ceremony Masses:

First Holy Communion: 5th, 12th June (Sat) - 6pm  
6th, June (Sun) - 8:30am  
13th June (Sun) - 10:30am

Confirmation: 24th, 31st July (Sat) - 6pm  
25th July (Sun) - 10:30am

1st Aug (Sun) - 8:30am  
Reconciliation: 28th, 4th Sept. (Sat) - 6pm  
29th Aug (Sun) - 8:30am  
5th Sept (Sun) - 8:30am

### Ceremonies:

First Holy Communion: 27th June (Sun) - 10:30am  
Confirmation: 14th Aug (Sat), 6pm  
Reconciliation: 8th Sept (Wed), TBA

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ROSTERS	17th Apr	18th Apr	24th Apr	25th Apr
Acolyte	L. Dimasi	J. Marino	D. Beech	T. Tupou
Eucharistic Minister	H. Moataane	A. Vitalone	A. Fiore	M. Tupou
Lector/Reader	P. Holland	M. Tupou	R. Morrissey	T. Pinuela
Greeter/ Welcoming	Co. Italiano	J. Rose	J. Adornetto	D. Gervasi
Commentator	A. Ritikis	T. Pinuela	L. Sgambelluri	Co. Italiano
Collectors	B. Kealley M. Rodas	T. Pergoliti M. Zappia	J. Foss J. Italiano	A. Vitalone T. Vitalone
Altar-servers	A. Rodas	B. Matugas C. Balasta	C. Balasta C. Maniego R. Nova	B. Matugas Dea Redoble Den Redoble
Cleaning	R & G Bonsico		P&T Tupou	