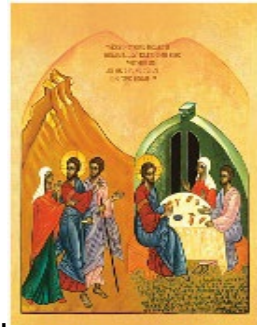


LIVING FAITH

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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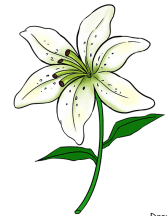


THE GOSPEL FOR TODAY-- Luke 24:35-48

Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you. They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.'

Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.'



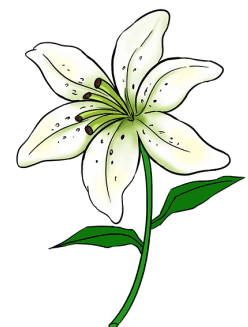
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REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL

"You are witnesses to these things." Look around: there are signs of the presence of the Risen Jesus all around us; we have been witnesses to this. In the midst of despair, there are beautiful moments of hope. We witness the outpouring of kindness in the most unexpected places. . Do we realize that in these simple, yet very profound experiences, the Risen Jesus is present among us?

TALKING WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- What does it mean to be "a witness"?
- Who has been a witness to Jesus in your life?
- How are you a witness to Jesus?
- Where and when have you met the Risen Jesus?



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Open Mind — Open Heart

Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. Luke 24:45 (NIV)



Complete the activity.

The words below have been written in code. Use the hints in the decoder at the top of the page to help break the code (the letters on top are the correct answers, the numbers on bottom are the code). Write the correct word on the line provided beside each code word.

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DOUBTS	GHOST	SUFFER	BONES	NATIONS
FLESH	FEET	RISE	HANDS	DEAD

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THE CHURCH TEACHES

Jesus always fed his followers. Remember the story of the feeding of the 5000, sometimes called “the multiplication of the loaves and fishes”? After His Resurrection, as before, Jesus continued to share meals with his followers, and to feed them.

How does Jesus feed us today?

Jesus feeds us by giving us people who love us, support us, challenge us and call us to be disciples. *How does Jesus feed you through others?*



Jesus feeds us through His Word, which we hear proclaimed every Sunday at Mass. *What Scripture passages give you hope or consolation, or challenge you?*



Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, in His Body and Blood. He is truly present in the Eucharist.



Jesus feeds us by giving us the gifts of nature, to feed our bodies and nourish our souls.



Jesus calls us to feed one another, to be His hands and feet in the world today.

How are you food for others?

How does Jesus feed you?

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY CONTINUING TO EXPLORE THE SYNTHESIS REPORT LOOKING AT CHAPTER 8- PROPOSALS AND ENGAGEMENT

Today we are going through the proposals part of chapter "8-- Church is Mission"

The Church, rather than having a mission, 'is' mission, embodying the mandate of Christ to spread the Gospel. Every disciple, irrespective of role or vocation, shares responsibility for this mission, practicing co-responsibility essential for synodality.

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Each baptized person is called to mission, in the Church and by the mandate of the Church: consequently, mission is carried out together, not individually, in communion with the ecclesial community, and not on one's own initiative [...] The disciples are urged to live their personal lives in a missionary key: they are sent by Jesus to the world not only to carry out, but also and above all to live the mission entrusted to them; not only to bear witness, but also and above all to be witnesses of Christ.

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ENGAGE PERSONALLY

Find creative ways to witness to Jesus wherever you are.



ENGAGE WITH YOUR FAMILY

Ensure that your family is truly a community of life and love.



ENGAGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

Be part of the evangelization mission of your parish or local community.



For a synodal Church
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