

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER < A

April 18 - 19, 2026

The Memorial Prayer

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Intercessions: For the Church

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop and all the clergy

For the Departed Souls

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

In Communion with the Saints

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with the Blessed Joseph, her spouse, with the Blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Concluding Doxology

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever, and ever. **Amen**

Communion Rite

STAND

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Priest:

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant us peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ

People:

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Sign of Peace

Priest : Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

People : **Amen**

Priest : The peace of the Lord be with you always

People : **And with your Spirit.**

Priest : Let us offer each other the sign of peace

Breaking of the Bread

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Grant us peace.

Reception of Communion

KNEEL

Priest : Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People : **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Priest : The body of Christ.

Answer : **Amen**

Priest : The blood of Christ.

Answer : **Amen**

Communion

Prayer after Communion

[The Lord's Kindness]

STAND

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord, and grant, we pray, that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries may attain in their flesh the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. **R/ Amen.**

General Announcements

SIT

Blessing

STAND

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing

Lord, bless us with your heavenly gifts, and in your mercy make us your obedient servants.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **R/ Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/ Amen.

The mass is ended, Go and share the joy of Jesus' resurrection with all. **R/ Thanks be to God.**

MC: Greeting

Entrance song

STAND

Introduction by the Celebrant

ENTRANCE ANT. [Praise the Lord]

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; *They strike their breast:* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; *Then they continue:* therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Absolution:

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

People: **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Chris, have mercy.

Chris, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Glory to God in the highest

C: Collect [Hope of Resurrection]

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R/ Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

SIT

First Reading Acts 2:14, 22-33 **[Reform Your Lives]** *Peter proposes in short summary the name, work, death, and resurrection of our Lord. The Church teaches that although some of the authorities of Christ's time bear responsibility for carrying out his execution, this charge must not be laid against all the Jewish people of Jesus' day or of our own. We are all responsible for sin and for our Lord's suffering.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my words. You who are Israelites, hear these words. Jesus the Nazorean was a man commended to you by God with mighty deeds, wonders, and signs, which God worked through him in your midst, as you yourselves know. This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it. For David says of him:

I saw the Lord ever before me, with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. Therefore my heart has been glad and my tongue has exulted; my flesh, too, will dwell in hope, because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.

"My brothers, one can confidently say to you about the patriarch David that he died and was buried, and his tomb is in our midst to this day. But since he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he abandoned to the netherworld nor did his flesh see corruption. God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses. Exalted at the right hand of God, he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him forth, as you see and hear."

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 16 [Divine Security]

R./ Lord, you will show us the path of life. Or. Alleluia.

Keep me, O God, for in you I take refuge; I say to the LORD, "My Lord are you." O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup, you it is who hold fast my lot. **(R.)**

I bless the LORD who counsels me; even in the night my heart exhorts me. I set the LORD ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. **(R.)**

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices, my body, too, abides in confidence; because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption. **(R.)**

You will show me the path to life,
abounding joy in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Pt 1:17-21 [Conduct Yourselves Reverently]
As followers of Jesus we have been ransomed by his blood. Through him we are believers in God who raised Jesus from the dead. Our faith and hope is in him.

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Peter

Beloved: If you invoke as Father him who judges impartially according to each one's works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb.

He was known before the foundation of the world but revealed in the final time for you, who through him believe in God who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

The word of the Lord
R/ Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Cf. Lk 24:32 [Ardent Word] **STAND**

R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel Lk 24:13-35 [Christ Is Lord]

Two disciples who do not recognize Jesus walk with him. Cleopas tells about Jesus-his miracles, passion, death and resurrection, and the hope Israel had in him. Finally, in the breaking of bread they see that Jesus is with them, truly risen.

R/ The Lord be with you.

R/ And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R/ Glory to you, O Lord

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he

replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

SIT

I believe in God

STAND

General Intercessions

God the Father, you sent your only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him, and experience the fullness of life in Your love. We pray to You:

(Pause)

For the Church: that our Risen Lord may fill us with powerful contagion of hope and courage, renew our faith and inspire the faithful to return to the Church to honor and receive the Holy Eucharist, loving Him as Lord in our hearts, in our homes and in our daily lives. Let us pray:

Loving Father, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of all nations: that God may grant them wisdom, perseverance and courage to enacting just policies that resolve conflicts and overcome global financial and economic challenges. Let us pray: **Loving Father, hear our prayer.**

For the repose of the souls of our loved ones and all the faithful departed: that God in His mercy may grant them eternal rest and let perpetual light shine upon them. Let us pray:

Loving Father, hear our prayer.

Risen Lord, You are the head of the Church, we humbly seek Your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish, and the grace to be living witnesses of Your Resurrection in our community and to be Your Light to the nations. Let us pray: **Loving Father, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those intentions offered for the Mass and for our personal intentions ...

(Pause)

Let us pray: **Loving Father, hear our prayer.**

Most merciful Father, reveal to us your saving grace and preserve us always in Your love, for we place our trust in You. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SL: Offertory hymn

SIT

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Bread

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.

All : Blessed be God for ever.

Preparation of the Wine

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:

fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.

All : Blessed be God for ever.

Invitation To Prayer

STAND

Priest : Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People : **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church**

Prayer over the Offerings [Exultant Church] **STAND**

Receive, O Lord, we pray, these offerings of your exultant Church, and, as you have given her cause for such great gladness, grant also that the gifts we bring may bear fruit in perpetual happiness. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

STAND

Introductory Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just

Preface III of Easter

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

He never ceases to offer himself for us but defends us and ever pleads our cause before you: he is the sacrificial Victim who dies no more, the Lamb, once slain, who lives for ever.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts....

Eucharistic Prayer No.2

KNEEL

Praise to the Father

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Supper

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my Body, which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in memory of me.

Memorial Acclamation

Priest : The mystery of faith.

All : **When we eat this Bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**