

**The Third Sunday of Easter      Year C**

Sunday, April 14, 2013

Readings: 1) Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41    2) Revelation 5:11-14      3) John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

**The focus for today's Mass is: We must not let resistance or opposition from others deter us from being faithful to God.****The first reading recounts how the Apostles rejoiced in being found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of their faith in Jesus. Revelation tells of all creatures in heaven and on earth joining together to praise and bless God. The Gospel recalls how Jesus revealed himself to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias.****GENERAL INTERCESSIONS****PRIEST:****Seeking to lead lives that give glory, honor and praise to God, let us now join in offering prayers for our needs and those of the world to our loving Father in heaven.****For those in the Church entrusted with preaching and teaching the Gospel, that they may grow in holiness and strength needed to continue to do so with fidelity, courage and zeal,**  
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.**For all invested with the responsibility of the common good, that they help to build a world where all people can live in peace and comfort,**  
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.**For all who have died,**  
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.**For all who are ill;**  
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.**For those Baptized this weekend,**  
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.**For our parish community, that we may model Jesus to one another and help build up the Church community,**  
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.**For our own personal intentions..... (very long pause)**  
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.**PRIEST:****Father, source of all that is good, hear our prayers and strengthen us that we may lead lives that are holy and pleasing to you. We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ.**

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