

## **The Third Sunday of Easter**

**Year B**

**Sunday, April 15, 2018**

**Readings: 1) Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 2) 1 John 2:1-5a 3) Luke 24:35-48**

### **Sunday Liturgy**

The focus for today's Mass is: Jesus is the fulfillment of Scripture.

The risen Christ made himself known to his disciples. After having revealed himself in Emmaus in the breaking of the bread, he encouraged the disciples in Jerusalem to look at and to touch his wounds.

He reminded them of what Scripture had foretold, just as Peter reminded the community in the first reading.

In the first reading, Peter proclaims the Good News of Jesus' resurrection, calling his listeners to repentance and salvation. In today's Epistle, John encourages believers to trust Jesus, their Advocate, and show their love for God by keeping his commandments.

Our Gospel reading presents the risen Christ making himself known to his disciples.

### **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

#### **PRIEST:**

**In the joy of the Resurrection,  
we bring our prayers to our merciful Father,  
who knows our every need.**

For bishops, priests and deacons,  
may they be led by the Holy Spirit, proclaiming the risen Christ,  
to draw souls to God's kingdom.

We Pray to the Lord.

For the salvation of the world, that all people,  
from the ends of the earth to our own city,  
may hear the Gospel and believe.

We Pray to the Lord.

For all those sick in body, mind or spirit,  
may they be restored to health.

We Pray to the Lord.

For those who have died;  
may they come to share in the fullness of eternal life in Christ.

We Pray to the Lord.

For the people of this parish, may we live as an Easter people,  
advocating for the protection of all life, from conception to natural death.

We Pray to the Lord.

For our own personal intentions, ..... (long pause).

We Pray to the Lord.

#### **PRIEST:**

**God our Father, you raised Jesus from the dead to restore us to life.  
Please hear our prayers this day,  
we ask in the name of your son, Christ our Lord.**