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APRIL 23, 2023 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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April 24 - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen



April 25 - St. Mark



April 28 -  
St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis  
Grignon de Montfort



April 29 -  
St. Catherine of Siena

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Readings for the week of April 23rd

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a); 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10



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## THE POPE TWEETS

APRIL 17, 2023

If you have dreams of true glory,  
not the glory of this passing  
world, but of the glory of God, this  
is the path to follow: the works of  
mercy give glory to God more than  
any other thing.

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### Pathways for Justice



Tip  
#5

### A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home

“How can we genuinely teach the importance of concern for other vulnerable beings, however troublesome or inconvenient they may be, if we fail to protect a human embryo, even when its presence is uncomfortable and creates difficulties?”  
(Laudato Si’, paragraph 120)



### TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE IN PERSON OR LIVESTREAMED

Each Wednesday, at 6:30 pm

In the church, or via YouTube at <https://bit.ly/37XEfK3>.

## Act of Spiritual Communion



My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into  
my soul. Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my  
heart. I embrace You as if You were  
already there and unite myself wholly  
to You. Never permit me to be  
separated from You. Amen.

## PEACE PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS



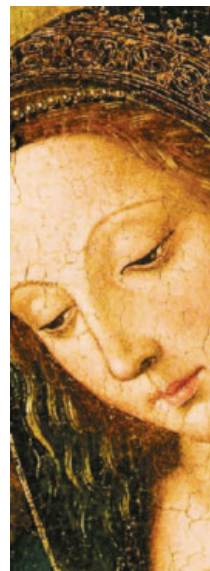
Lord, make me an  
instrument of your **peace**;  
where there is hatred,  
let me sow **love**;  
where there is injury, **pardon**;  
where there is doubt, **faith**;  
where there is despair, **hope**;  
where there is darkness, **light**;  
and where there is sadness, **joy**.

O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not  
so much seek  
to be consoled, as to **console**;  
to be understood, as to **understand**;  
to be loved, as to **love**;  
for it is in giving that we **receive**,  
it is in pardoning that we are **pardoned**,  
and it is in dying that we are  
**born to eternal life**.

*While this prayer has always  
been attributed to St. Francis,  
the author is actually unknown.  
The prayer does wonderfully  
represent the spirit of St. Francis  
and the Franciscan Orders.*

Amen.

## The Memorare Prayer



Remember, O most gracious Virgin  
Mary, that never was it known  
that anyone who fled to your  
protection, implored your help  
or sought your intercession  
was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence,  
I fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins,  
my Mother. To you I come, before  
you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate,  
despise not my petitions,  
but in your mercy  
hear and answer me.  
Amen.

# FRANCISFEST



MAY 21, 2023  
8:00AM-2:00PM

Our springtime Celebration of Community is almost here!

Avoid the line at FrancisFest and get a deal! Buy script in advance at 24 tickets for \$20 or 11 tickets for \$10. Each ticket has a value of \$1 and may be used for purchases from the Treasure Chest, Book Nook, Plant and Bake Sales, as well as the Cook-Out and Ice Cream.

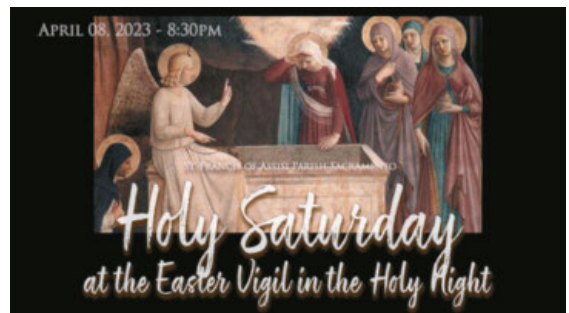
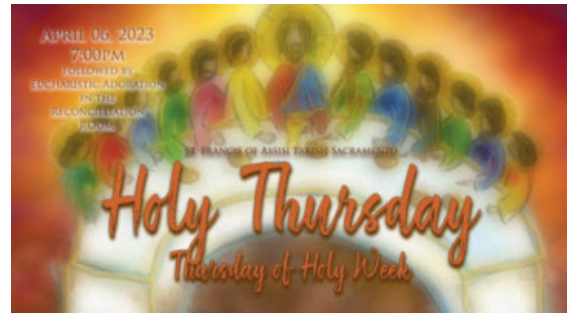
(On May 21 the cost of script will be 1 for \$1.)

Script will be sold in front of the church after all Masses on April 29/30, May 6/7 and May 13/14.

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*Sacred Triduum* ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL AT <https://bit.ly/37XEFK3>



## THIS SUNDAY!

**"The Letter: A Message for Our Earth,"**  
starring Pope Francis

Please join **Pathways for Justice in Brunsmann Hall after the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, April 23rd.** We'll have coffee hour and watch "The Letter," a documentary film telling the story of *Laudato Si'*, the encyclical by Pope Francis. The film stars the Pope himself, along with environmental champions from around the world, each of whom represents an unheard voice in the global conversation on our planetary crisis: the indigenous, the young, the poor, and wildlife advocates. We will follow their journeys from the Amazon, India, Senegal, and Hawaii to the Vatican where they meet Pope Francis.

For a preview, check out:  
<https://www.theletterfilm.org>  
For more information, email us at:  
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# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Francis of Assisi Parish  
April 22-23, 2023

We adore you Most Holy Lord Jesus Christ, here and in all your churches in the world,  
And we bless you, because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world. Amen.

## Gathering:

## *Three Days*

THAXTED/M.D. Ridge

Three days our world was broken; the Lord of life lay dead.  
"Take up your cross," he told us who followed where he led.  
Would we now hang in torment with thieves on ev'ry side, our Passover shattered, our hope crucified?  
Three days we hid in silence, in bitter fear and grief.  
Three days we clung together where he had washed our feet.  
  
Three days— and on the third day, the women came at dawn.  
His tomb, they said, was empty, his broken body gone.  
Who could believe their story? The dead do not arise, yet he walks among us, and with our own eyes  
we've seen him at this table; we've shared his bread and wine.  
Hearts burning bright within us, we've seen his glory shine.

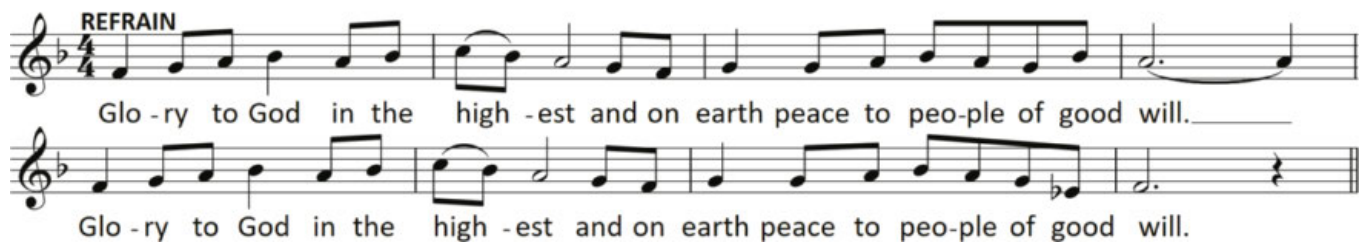
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## Gloria:

## *Mass of Remembrance*

Marty Haugen

**REFRAIN**



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. **(Refrain)**

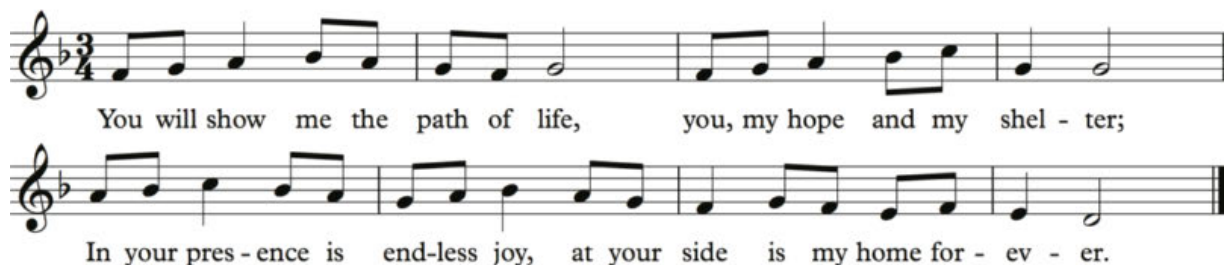
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. **(Refrain)**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. **(Refrain)**

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## Psalm: Psalm 16: "You Will Show Me the Path of Life..."

Marty Haugen



You will show me the path of life, you, my hope and my shel - ter;

In your pres - ence is end - less joy, at your side is my home for - ev - er.

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## Gospel Acclamation:

Owen Alstott



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## **APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. AMEN+

## Preparation of Gifts:

### ***Two Were Bound for Emmaus***

KENMARE/Bob Hurd

1, 5. Two were bound for Emmaus, disheartened and lost; all their hope for the future had been nailed to a cross.

Love unknown then walked beside them,  
come back from the dead, and they knew he was risen in the breaking of bread.

2. On the Sea of Tiberius, when the night was nearly gone  
and their toil seemed so useless, not one fish had they caught,  
from the shore the stranger called to them:

“Cast your net, friends, once more.” And they filled it to bursting, but the net was not torn.

3. Then they knew it was Jesus and they hastened in to shore;  
bread and fish for their breakfast from the hands of their Lord.

“O Peter, if you love me you must care for my sheep; if you follow your Shepherd, then a shepherd you’ll be.”

4. When the road makes us weary, when our labor seems but loss,  
when the fire of faith weakens and too high seems the cost,  
let the Church turn to its risen Lord, who for us bore the cross,  
and we’ll find our hearts burning at the sound of his voice.

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## Liturgy of the Eucharist:

### ***Mass of Remembrance***

Marty Haugen

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!

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, grant us peace.

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## Communion:

### *In the Breaking of the Bread*

Michael Ward

In the walking on the road, we saw him. In the telling of our hopes, we saw him.  
In the burning of our hearts, we saw the Lord.  
At the meal he took the bread and then he blessed it, broke it, offered it.  
In the breaking of the bread, we saw him!  
Suddenly our eyes were opened, and we knew he was alive!

We set out to find his friends to tell them. We went to Jerusalem to tell them;  
And with joy we told them, "We have seen the Lord!"  
And as we were speaking, there he stood among us, blessed us, said to us,  
"Now my peace I leave with you." We saw him!  
Suddenly our eyes were opened, and we knew he was alive!

But then we became afraid without him. In the darkened room we stayed without him,  
waiting for the one he said that he would send.  
Then the Spirit of the Lord came down upon us, filling us, changing us,  
Giving us the strength to say: We saw him!  
Suddenly our eyes were opened, and we knew he was alive!

We ran out into the street to tell them, everyone that we could meet, to tell them,  
"God has raised him up and we have seen the Lord!" We took bread as he had done and then we blessed it, broke it,  
offered it. In the breaking of the bread, we saw him!  
Suddenly our eyes were opened, there within our midst was Jesus, and we knew he was alive!  
In the breaking of the bread, he is here with us again. And we know he is alive!  
Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia!

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## Sending Forth:

### *Join in the Dance*

Dan Schutte

Join in the dance of the earth's ju - bi - la - tion! This is the feast of the  
love of God. Shout from the heights to the ends of cre - a - tion:  
Je - sus the Sav - ior is ris - en from the grave!

Wake, O people sleep no longer: greet the breaking day!  
Christ, Redeemer, Lamb and Lion, turns the night away. **(Refrain)**

Now our shame becomes our glory on this holy tree.  
Now the reign of death is ended; now we are set free! **(Refrain)**

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