



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The two disciples who were walking toward the village of Emmaus after hearing of their master's death, the facial expression reflected a deep sadness and disappointment over the tragic end of Jesus.

There are three things for us to reflect on today's gospel.

First is, the two disciples did not recognize Jesus. The two disciples did not recognize Jesus when Jesus joined them in their journey. Who is Jesus? Even our four evangelists, Saints Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, gave us different portraits of who Jesus is. For St. Mark, Jesus is a living human being; for St. Matthew, Jesus is the Second Moses and the Messiah; for St. Luke, Jesus is the savior of all nations and for St. John, Jesus is the universal Christ of faith and experience. Even our theologians, have their own way of presenting Jesus to the people. They proclaim Jesus differently because of their own different personal experience about Him. Who is Jesus to you personally?

Second, the two disciples did not know their scriptures. That is why Jesus explained the Scriptures to them. Christ interpreted the biblical texts about his suffering before He could enter His glory. The crucifixion led to the glory of His resurrection.

Do you have a Bible in your home? If you have, congratulations! And if you don't have, how will you know Christ? And so, look for a copy. The Bible teaches us many things: about God, Jesus Christ, salvation, life and many more. So, grab the opportunity of relating to Jesus through His words in the Bible. St. Jerome had wittingly said: "Ignorance of the Scripture is of ignorance of Christ."

Third, the two disciples recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Their eyes were opened that it was Jesus who accompanied them on the road to Emmaus. Jesus took the bread, said the blessings to God, broke it and gave it to them. Most think that his meal at Emmaus was not a Eucharistic meal. Yet, there is no doubt that the words: "He took bread, pronounced the blessing, then broke the bread and began to distribute it to them," (v. 30) has Eucharistic overtones and reminds us of the words of the Last Supper: "taking bread and giving thanks, he broke it and gave it to them" (Luke 22:19). So let us not separate ourselves from Christ and know Him better in the breaking of the bread during Mass.

(Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.)

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, April 20 9:00 a.m.

All souls in purgatory	req Benilda Fajardo
Gord Jeung	req Teresa Tan
Mary Nguyen	req Therese Phan
David Hickey	req Grace Kennedy
Lisa and Kenneth	req Antony and Irene Man

Tuesday, April 21 9:00 a.m.

John Phan	req Therese Phan
Soul of the unborn Baby Uzziah Tagayun	req Cynthia and Joseph Tagayun

Wednesday, April 22 9:00 a.m.

In memory of Thesia Vayalumkal	req Mathew family
Rest of soul of Jessica Ann Marie Miller	req Susan and Andrew Miller

Thursday, April 23 9:00 a.m.

Gary Abugan	req Tessie and Loy Abugan
Thanksgiving to the Lord Jesus on their 25 th Wedding Anniversary	req Gikson and Tiji

Friday, April 24 9:00 a.m.

Joseph Nguyenb	req Therese Phan
In memory of Herminia Delizo	req Delizo and Ramos families
Souls of Juliana and Fidel	req Grace Kennedy

Saturday, April 25 5:00 p.m.

In memory of Juanita Martin	req Janet Martin
Mary Vu	req Therese Phan
Irene and Antony Man	req Antony Man
Maureen Williams	req Williams family
Intentions of Yves	req Anne McInnis
Intentions of Deepah	req Anne McInnis

Sunday, April 26 10:00 am

For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually in the presence of our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

This week the Lamp burns for

1. **Herman Italiano, Centritto and Seibel families**
Req Gizelle Italiano
2. **Thanksgiving to the Lord on their 25th Wedding Anniversary**
Req Jose and Jiji Gikson



PARISH SUPPORT

April 11/12, 2026

Sunday Offering	\$ 1,976.00
Loose Offering	852.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish.

27th YEAR OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION



Congratulations to Fr. Saju on his 27th Anniversary of priestly ordination on Tuesday, April 21, 2026.

May God bless you in many ways in your priestly ministry.

MONTHLY COFFEE TIME



Sunday, April 26th following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please bring a refreshment to share. Thank you!



HEALING MASS

TUESDAY, 28TH OF APRIL 2026

6:00 pm: ADORATION
7:00 pm: HEALING MASS AND ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL

Remembrance of the Just will last forever.... Prov. 10:7

PLEASE JOIN US WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2026



The Serra Club of Hamilton warmly invites you to attend the 23rd Annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on **Wednesday, April 29, 2026**, at Liuna Station to celebrate the dedicated service of our Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and

Consecrated Virgins in the Diocese of Hamilton. Milestone anniversaries will be honored. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information and to order tickets, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>. This event is co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.

LENTEN STUDY PROGRAM

ST. LUKE: THE STORY OF SALVATION FULFILLED



During our concluding session of this program, participants gathered, and were each given a chapter of Luke's gospel. Everyone then spent quiet time writing their assigned chapter. Writing the gospel deepened our faith and

strengthened us as a faith community. It fostered a sense of unity and purpose. Writing by hand allowed us to reflect on each word, bringing us closer to the Lord. The efforts of all participants resulted in us being able to bind a completed handwritten account of the Gospel of Luke. This practice of handwriting scripture is an ancient tradition called "**Bible Scriptorium**".

The book is at the back of the church this weekend. Please stop and look at the outcome of this prayerful experience.

ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH 60TH YEAR JUBILEE

This year marks the 60 year Jubilee of our parish. The cornerstone for St. Charles Garnier Parish was set on September 11, 1966. We give thanks to God for the presence and service of our parish in the Hamilton community and in our Hamilton Diocese. Celebrations will be forthcoming including our annual pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine when we will share the Shrine's 100th Jubilee with our 60th Jubilee and call upon the intercession of our patron saint, St. Charles Garnier.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

CANADIAN MARTYRS SHRINE, MIDLAND, ONTARIO

This year is Centennial Anniversary of Canadian Martyrs shrine
A Century of Pilgrimage, Encounter, and Living Faith

SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026

TICKETS: \$70 PER PERSON

We will be traveling by Canada Coach Bus.

Please arrive at St. Charles Garnier Parish by 7:30 a.m.

The bus will depart at 8:00 a.m. sharp.

We'll return to Hamilton by 7:00 p.m.

Healing Mass at the Shrine at 1:30 p.m.

Celebrated by Fr. Saju.

Please bring your own bagged lunch.

For more information, contact the parish office:

call us: 905 528 0074 or

email us: saintcharlesgarnier505@gmail.com

PLEASE GET YOUR TICKETS AND SPREAD THE WORD
("Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Ps. 119:105)