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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 19, 2026

*“WERE NOT OUR HEARTS BURNING WITHIN US
WHILE HE SPOKE TO US ON THE WAY AND OPENED THE SCRIPTURES TO US?”*

The Gospel story of the Road to Emmaus highlights how the risen Jesus is not always immediately recognized. Two of Jesus’ disciples, grieving his crucifixion and feeling that their hopes have been lost, leave Jerusalem trying to make sense of everything that has happened. Along the way, Jesus joins them, but they do not realize who he is and assume he is a stranger. He invites them to share their thoughts and feelings, and then helps them understand his suffering and death through the Scriptures. This moment reflects what happens in the Liturgy of the Word, where believers reflect on their lives and interpret them in light of God’s Word.

Later, the disciples invite Jesus to stay with them, and during the meal, their eyes are opened when he breaks the bread. In that moment, they recognize him. This mirrors the Liturgy of the Eucharist, where Jesus is encountered in the breaking of the bread. Filled with new understanding and hope, the disciples return to Jerusalem to share their experience. In the same way, those who encounter Jesus in the Eucharist are sent out to share his presence and message with others.



TERCER DOMINGO DE PASCUA

*“¡CON RAZÓN NUESTRO CORAZÓN ARDÍA, MIENTRAS
NOS HABLABA POR EL CAMINO Y NOS EXPLICABA LAS
ESCRITURAS!”*

La historia del Evangelio del Camino a Emaús resalta cómo Jesús resucitado no siempre es reconocido de inmediato. Dos de los discípulos de Jesús, afligidos por su crucifixión y sintiendo que sus esperanzas se han perdido, salen de Jerusalén tratando de comprender todo lo que ha sucedido. En el camino, Jesús se une a ellos, pero no se dan cuenta de quién es y suponen que es un desconocido. Él los invita a compartir sus pensamientos y sentimientos, y luego los ayuda a entender su sufrimiento y su muerte a través de las Escrituras. Este momento refleja lo que sucede en la Liturgia de la Palabra, donde los creyentes reflexionan sobre sus vidas y las interpretan a la luz de la Palabra de Dios.

Más tarde, los discípulos invitan a Jesús a quedarse con ellos y, durante la comida, sus ojos se abren cuando él parte el pan. En ese momento, lo reconocen. Esto refleja la Liturgia de la Eucaristía, donde Jesús se hace presente en la fracción del pan. Llenos de una nueva comprensión y esperanza, los discípulos regresan a Jerusalén para compartir su experiencia. De la misma manera, quienes encuentran a Jesús en la Eucaristía son enviados a compartir su presencia y su mensaje con los demás.

THE JOY OF WORSHIPPING WITH YOUNG FAMILIES AMONG US

By Trudy Dowd and Lorraine Ring

Matthew 19:14 "Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.' "

If you attend Mass at **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church**, you may have noticed that most of our congregation are in the middle to older seasons of their lives. As one looks over the pews, one can see an abundance of distinguished, more "mature" parishioners. It can be a comfort to worship with old friends whom you've known and seen at Mass for many years.

It can be a comfort, too, and a joy to worship with young families who are in the early season of their lives, families with young children who accompany them to Sunday Mass. For many of us, they are a reminder of the happy times of raising our own children, and the years we spent dedicated to teaching them by example about Jesus' love for us. Children by nature have a sweet innocence and a contagious exuberance that draws us to them. Sitting still and giving their full attention to the Word of God may not be their strength. But their busyness and giggles during Mass bring smiles to our faces, and gratitude to their parents for bringing them to Mass.

Over the years, we have had the privilege of watching young families grow from a family of infants, toddlers and school age children to families with young adults and teens who now tower over their parents. We commend all these parents who have been and continue to be committed to sharing with their children the beauty of the Sacraments and Holy Mass, for children are the hope and future of our church.



Mateo 19:14 «Jesús dijo: “Dejad que los niños vengan a mí, y no se lo impidáis, porque de los que son como ellos es el reino de los cielos”». «

Si asistes a misa en la iglesia de **Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo**, quizá hayas notado que la mayoría de nuestra congregación se encuentra en la etapa media o avanzada de sus vidas. Al mirar hacia los bancos, se puede ver una gran cantidad de feligreses distinguidos y más «maduros». Puede ser reconfortante adorar junto a viejos amigos a quienes conoces y has visto en misa durante muchos años.

También puede ser un consuelo, y además una alegría, celebrar la misa con familias jóvenes que se encuentran en la primera etapa de sus vidas, familias con niños pequeños que los acompañan a la misa dominical. Para muchos de nosotros, son un recuerdo de los momentos felices de criar a nuestros propios hijos, y de los años que dedicamos a enseñarles con el ejemplo el amor de Jesús por nosotros. Los niños, por naturaleza, tienen una dulce inocencia y una exuberancia contagiosa que nos atrae hacia ellos. Quedarse quietos y prestar toda su atención a la Palabra de Dios puede que no sea su fuerte. Pero su ajetreo y sus risitas durante la misa nos hacen sonreír y nos llenan de gratitud hacia sus padres por traerlos a misa.

A lo largo de los años, hemos tenido el privilegio de ver crecer a familias jóvenes, pasando de tener bebés, niños pequeños y niños en edad escolar a tener jóvenes y adolescentes que ahora superan en altura a sus padres. Felicidades a todos estos padres que se han comprometido y siguen comprometidos a compartir con sus hijos la belleza de los sacramentos y la Santa Misa, pues los niños son la esperanza y el futuro de nuestra Iglesia.



FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...

This Sunday's Gospel reminds us that the disciples recognized the risen Lord in the breaking of the bread. Like them, we may not always see Jesus clearly, especially in times of doubt or sorrow. Yet he is with us speaking through Scripture and present in the Eucharist. May our hearts be opened to him, and may we go forth with renewed faith to share his presence with others.



Fr. Jhonnatan

MASS INTENTIONS April 18th – April 26th

Saturday Apr. 18th 4:30 Vigil: + **Margaret McCarthy**
Sunday Apr. 19th 9:00: **People of the Parish**
11:00: + **Theresa Del Piero**
Wed. Apr. 22nd 12:00: + **Claude Raymond**
Thurs. Apr 23rd 12:00 : + **Mike Ryan**
Friday Apr. 24th 12:00: + **Dave Stainbrook**
Saturday Apr. 25th :4:30 Vigil: + **Justin Marshall**
Sunday Apr. 26th 9:00: + **Gladys & Alfonse Scarpitto**
11:00: + **Barney Hulse**

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*Did you like the story about our
Young Parish families?*



We invite your ideas for articles and/or submit articles that celebrate and unify the OLMC community. Please email us at Bulletin@ourladycarmelvalley.org



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3:00 p.m
(doors open 2:30pm- Parish Hall).**

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Weekday Mass
Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass
Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM
Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English
Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month
1:00 PM in the Church
4th Saturday of the Month at 7:00 PM in Cachagua

Reconciliation
Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours
Wednesday — Friday 1:00 PM — 3:00 PM
Sundays: 10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service."

— St Teresa of Avila

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