



**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER-YEAR B**

**SUNDAY 18 APRIL 2021**

**REFLECTION By Sr Veronica Lawson rsm**

Extraordinary things can happen if we open ourselves to the presence of a stranger on the road of life. That is one of the elements in today's gospel that forms the conclusion to the Emmaus story. When I was a student at Trinity College in Dublin researching Luke's depiction of women in the Acts of the Apostles, I would often take a detour on my way home to visit the National Gallery of Ireland. Velázquez' remarkable oil painting, Kitchen Maid with the Supper at Emmaus captured and held my attention. The viewer is confronted with a painting within a painting. The kitchen maid pauses from her tasks to listen, through the space between kitchen and dining area, to the conversation between Jesus and his table companions. Jesus' hosts have not yet recognised the companion they had encountered on the road from Jerusalem. Velázquez seems to be suggesting that the young servant woman in the foreground, a woman from another place and another time, has sensed what they have yet to discover. Like the servant woman, we might attend to this graced encounter, its prelude and its aftermath. Imagine two dejected disciples (Cleopas and possibly his wife) on the road from Jerusalem to their home in Emmaus. On their journey, they encounter Jesus who has been raised. At first, they fail to recognise him. Their sadness at his death has blinded them to what is happening before their very eyes. He engages them in conversation and holds up a metaphorical mirror to their experience of loss and grief. Their hearts "burn" within them as he opens to them the meaning of their sacred scriptures. They invite him to share a meal with them and their eyes are opened: they recognise him in the breaking of the bread. Jesus then disappears from their midst. They cannot contain the joy they have experienced in realising that he is alive. Cleopas and partner return immediately to Jerusalem to share the good news with the other disciples. All the assembled disciples experience powerfully the presence of Jesus in their midst. They share a meal with him. He opens their minds to understand the scriptures. Everything falls into place. They not only understand Jesus' death and resurrection in the light of the scriptures. They now know that they will be "clothed with power from on high" to exercise their role as witnesses to this great mystery, and to preach forgiveness to all peoples "beginning from Jerusalem". Luke will open his second volume, the Acts of the Apostles, with the story of the risen One sending the disciples to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth. We who re-member these events in every Eucharistic celebration are both the recipients and the bearers of that message. If we allow our hearts to "burn" within us, we too may recognise the Risen One "on the road" and become his witnesses to the ends of the earth, engaging and even hosting the "strangers" we meet along the way.

**MASS TIMES**

Monday - 1.00pm

Tuesday - 1.00pm

Wednesday - 7.00am and 1.00pm

Thursday - 1.00pm

Friday - 7.00am and 1.00pm Mass

Saturday - 8.00am (Reconciliation after Mass) and  
- 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday - 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 6.30pm.

Reconciliation after Mass Tuesday to Friday after 1pm Mass.

We ask you to arrive early and check in by using the QR code system provided at the entrance to the Cathedral.

Those without QR code capabilities can give their first name and contact number at the door.

**EASTER WATER AND HOME BLESSINGS**

One of the great symbols of Easter is water. Water that gives life, refreshes, cleanses and renews. In our Catholic tradition we also use holy water to bless.

At the Easter Vigil the Archbishop blessed the Easter water with word and gesture and then the congregation renewed their Baptismal promises after which the people were blessed and sprinkled with this Easter water.

An Easter Blessing prayer for your home and your family which is available next to the Paschal candle and we invite you to take home a bottle of Easter water. (1 per family please)

May the peace of the Risen Lord be with you always.

**THE CATHEDRAL SHOP IS OPEN**

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TODAY’S LITURGY—YEAR B

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;  
O sing to the glory of his name.  
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise CWBII 346

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and  
voices raise; sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
sing to God a hymn of praise.

He, who on the cross as Victim,  
for the world’s salvation bled, Jesus Christ, the  
King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Now the iron bars are broken, Christ from death to  
life is born, glorious life, and life immortal,  
on this holy Easter morn.

Christ has triumphed, and we conquer  
by his mighty enterprise; we with him to  
Life eternal by his resurrection rise.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to  
God on high; Alleluia to the Saviour  
who has won the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit,  
fount of love and sanctity; Alleluia!  
Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885, alt.  
Tune: HYMN TO JOY 87.87; Ludwig van Beethoven 1770-1827,  
harm. Edward Hodges, 1795 - 1867

1st Reading

Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

*You have killed the prince of life; God, however,  
raised him from the dead.*

Peter said to the people: ‘You are Israelites, and it is the God  
of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who  
has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed  
over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate  
had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy  
One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a  
murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however,  
raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the  
witnesses.

‘Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had  
any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God  
carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all  
his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must  
repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9

Lord, let your face shine on us.

1. When I call, answer me,  
O God of justice;  
from anguish you released me,  
have mercy and hear me!
2. It is the Lord who grants favours  
to those whom he loves;  
the Lord hears me  
whenever I call him.

3. ‘What can bring us happiness?’  
many say.  
Lift up the light of your face on us,  
O Lord.
4. I will lie down in peace  
and sleep comes at once,  
for you alone,  
Lord, make me dwell in safety.

2nd Reading

John 2:1-5

*Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and  
those of the whole world.*

I am writing this, my children,  
to stop you sinning;  
but if anyone should sin,  
we have our advocate with the Father,  
Jesus Christ, who is just;  
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,  
and not only ours,  
but the whole world’s.  
We can be sure that we know God  
only by keeping his commandments.  
Anyone who says, ‘I know him’,  
and does not keep his commandments,  
is a liar,  
refusing to admit the truth.  
But when anyone does obey what he has said,  
God’s love comes to perfection in him.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:  
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.  
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 24:35-48

*It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the  
third day rise from the dead.*

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the  
road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of  
bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus  
himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with  
you!’ In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were  
seeing a ghost. But he said, ‘Why are you so agitated, and  
why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my  
hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for  
yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I  
have.’ And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet.  
Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they  
stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, ‘Have you anything  
here to eat?’ And they offered him a piece of grilled fish,  
which he took and ate before their eyes.  
Then he told them, ‘This is what I meant when I said, while I  
was still with you, that everything written about me in the  
Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be  
fulfilled.’ He then opened their minds to understand the  
scriptures, and he said to them, ‘So you see how it is written  
that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from  
the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the  
forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations,  
beginning from Jerusalem.  
You are witnesses to this.’



COMMUNION AND RECESSIONAL HYMN  
Christ the Lord is ris'n again CWBII 354

Christ the Lord is Risen Again;  
Christ Has Broken Every Chain;  
hark! The angels shout for joy,  
singing evermore on high,  
Alleluia!

He, who gave for us his life,  
who for us endured the strife,  
is our paschal lamb today;  
we, too, sing for joy, and say  
Alleluia!

He, who bore all pain and loss  
comfortless upon the cross,  
lives in glory now on high,  
pleads for us, and hears our cry;  
Alleluia!

He who slumbered in the grave,  
is exalted now to save;  
through the universe it rings  
that the lamb is King of kings.  
Alleluia!

Now he bids us tell abroad  
how the lost may be restored,  
how the penitent forgiven,  
how we, too, may enter heaven.  
Alleluia!

Christ our paschal lamb indeed,  
Christ, your ransomed people feed:  
At the end of earthly strife  
raise us, Lord, to endless life.  
Alleluia!


Text: *Christus ist erstanden*; Michael Weisse c.1488-1534 (based on the Latin *Surrexit Christus*) trans. Catherine Winkworth, 5<sup>2</sup> 6<sup>1</sup> -78; alt.  
Tune: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS 77.77 and Alleluias; Medieval frend melody from *The Office of Pierre de Corbeil* d.5666 arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams 5<sup>2</sup> 1 6-1958, from *The English Hymnal*.  
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**Preparation of the Offerings - 11.00am Mass**  
**My peace I give unto you**  
Blessed are the eyes that see the things that you have seen,  
Blessed are the feet that walk in the ways where you have been,  
Blessed are the eyes that see the Agony of God,  
Blessed are the feet that tread the paths his feet have trod  
Blessed are the souls that solve the paradox of pain,  
And find the path that, piercing it, leads through to peace,  
to peace again.

<b>Saturday 6.00pm Vigil</b> Cantor: Nigel Patawaran Organist: Jerome Walles		<b>Sunday 11.00am Mass</b> Cathedral Choir Mass Gregorian Schola Organ: Dion Henman <b>Sunday 6.30pm Mass</b> Cathedral Singers Director: Christopher Mason Organist: Thomas Grubb
	11.00am Mass	6.30pm Mass
Mass setting:	Orbis Factor	Missa brevis - Palestrina
Offertory:	My peace I give unto you - James Davy	Lauda anima mea -Lassus
Communion:	Ubi Caritas (Ola Gjeilo)	Cantate Domino
Organ Postlude:		Es ist das Heil uns kommen her (BuxWV186) - Buxtehude

**A NEW SERIES OF ORGAN RECITALS  
AT ST PATRICKS CATHEDRAL.**  
**Free Sunday Afternoon organ recitals at 3.30pm.**  
**30 minutes duration, retiring donation.**  
23 May - Christopher Cook  
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**READERS ROSTER**  
**Weekend Masses 24 and 25 April**  
**Saturday 6.00pm** Ashley D'Monte & Imelda W  
**Sunday 8:00am** Martina Chin & Vanessa Sammy  
**9:30am** Mayce Mirza & Karlene Treyvaud  
**11:00am** Simon Attard & Wendy Carlos  
**6:30pm** Ingrid V Dijken & Jordan Arnold



**Wedding Congratulations**  
*Bianca Rodrigues and Peter Luciani*  
*Veronika Dragovic and Matej Azinovic*

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**  
**Wednesday 21 April - St Anselm**  
**Friday 23 April - St George and St Adalbert**  
**Saturday 24 April - St Fidelis of Sigmaringen**

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**  
**An opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication. Attend in the comfort of your own home or experience a residential weekend.**  
Our **on-line weekend** gives couples the chance to sleep in their own beds and check-in on kids or animals during meal times. Come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing!  
The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.  
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**Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au**  
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## APOSTLES 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.**

## PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

### TO THE FATHER

Heavenly Father,  
St Joseph set aside his own plans to embrace  
your dream for us.  
You invited his help in caring for  
Jesus your Son, our Saviour,  
and the Revealer of your wonderful love.  
Enable us to live by your loving plan  
and to reflect to the world the light of Christ.

*St Joseph, man of dreams*

Image: Saint Joseph and the Christ by Bartolomé Esteban Murillo (1617–1682)

## INTERCESSORY PRAYER

We pray for the sick and for all who have asked for our prayers.  
We pray for all who have died recently, especially Giuseppe La Barbera and  
those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Margaret Fournia,  
Antoina Saceric, Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh and  
Cardinal Edward Cassidy  
May they rejoice in the fullness of life promised to them as faithful followers  
of Christ.

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for our community.

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