

Do You Love Me?

Simon, son of John, do you love Me?

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved Him. Peter was a bit offended that Jesus asked him the same thing three times. After all, Jesus knew everything- so He knew that Peter loved Him.

But think back to a few weeks ago: on Holy Thursday night some people asked Peter if he even knew Jesus, and he said "No!" three times! Maybe Jesus was trying to show Peter that it's easy to say "I love you," but it's harder to really love Him.

Lord, You know I love You!

If Jesus asked you today, "Do you love me?" what would you say to Him? What would you do to show Him that you really do love Him? The best ways to love Jesus are talking to Him every day in prayer, and being good to the people around you- they are taking Jesus' place for you. Are you ready to show your love for Jesus?

Feed My sheep.

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:
Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:
Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least **6 months** before the desired date.

MASS INTENTIONS:
Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

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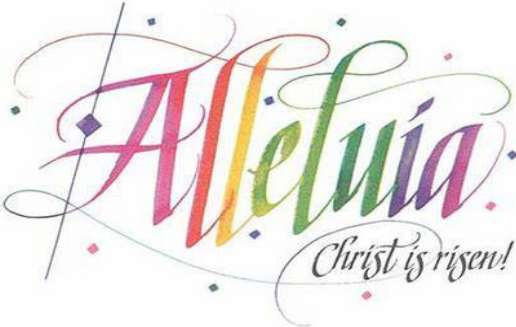
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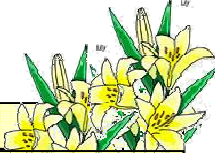
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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER - 4TH MAY, 2025 - YEAR C



Mourning into Dancing.

There are two places in Scripture where the curious detail of a “charcoal fire” is mentioned. One is in today’s Gospel, where the Apostles return from fishing to find bread and fish warming on the fire. The other is the scene in the High Priest’s courtyard on Holy Thursday, where Peter and some guards and slaves warm themselves while Jesus is being interrogated inside.

At the first fire, Peter denied knowing Jesus three times just as Jesus had predicted. Today’s charcoal fire becomes the scene of Peter’s repentance, as three times Jesus asks him to make a profession of love. Jesus’ thrice repeated command, “feed My sheep,” shows that Peter is being appointed as the shepherd of the Lord’s entire flock, the head of His Church.

Jesus’ question, “Do you love me more than these others do?” is a pointed reminder of Peter’s pledge to lay down his life for Jesus, even if the other Apostles might weaken. Jesus then explains just what Peter’s love and leadership will require, foretelling Peter’s death by crucifixion (“you will stretch out your hands”).

Before His own death, Jesus had warned the Apostles that they would be hated as He was hated, that they would suffer as He suffered. We see the beginnings of that persecution in the First Reading. Flogged as Jesus was, the Apostles nonetheless leave “glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation.” Their joy is based on their faith that God will change their “mourning into dancing,” as we sing in the Psalm.

By their sufferings, they know they will be counted worthy to stand in heaven before “the Lamb that was sacrificed,” a scene glimpsed in today’s Second Reading.

(excerpt: stpaulcenter.com)

CONFESSIONS
Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.

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by appointment

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First Reading
Acts 5:27-32,40-41

Second Reading
Apoc.5:11-14

Gospel
Jn.21:1-19

MASS TIMES

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GROS ISLET
Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.

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MONDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.

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TUESDAY
6:00 a.m.

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WEDNESDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.

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THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

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FRIDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

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SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.

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SUNDAY
G/Islet/G.Riviere
7:30 a.m.

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Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.

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Living the Spirit of Easter: *Be Fearless, Be Joyful, Be Renewed.*

The Easter season - beginning on Easter Sunday and continuing for fifty days - is an opportunity for us to cultivate a spirit that defines who we are as Christians. So what does living the spirit of the Easter season mean in practical terms?

Live with Joy:
Joy is a deep-down gladness that cannot be taken away, even in the midst of sorrow. The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus teach us that suffering is transformed through faith in the Risen Christ. With this faith, we are able to hold on to an enduring sense of joy even in the midst of the sadness we experience from the loss of a loved one, a failure to achieve an important goal, or a setback during recovery from an illness.

Live without Fear:
The Resurrection teaches us that God can overcome anything, even death. When the Risen Christ appears to the women at the tomb and later to His disciples, His first words are “Do not be afraid!” (Mt28:5,10). These words speak to our hearts, helping us cope with the fear from the loss of a job, a serious illness, or a crumbling relationship. Our faith allows us to trust that God can overcome our most serious problems.

Live with New Eyes:
Easter means to live with a sense of newness. The Resurrection of Jesus makes “all things new.” (Rev. 21:5). The Easter spirit is a spirit of renewal that enables us to show up at work with a positive attitude, to renew relationships that have been taken for granted, and to express appreciation and affection to those closest to us. It means to see the world through new eyes - God’s eyes.

We can use these fifty days to cultivate an Easter spirit that enables us to be truly Christian: embracing joy, living without fear, and seeing the world again - as if for the first time.

(excerpt: loyolapress.com)

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Patsy Crafton Martha Mason Iris Macauldy Marie Joseph Anne Marie Felicien	
DECEASED	
Virginia Lionel Richard Gomez Catherine Alexis Isidore Lecompte Josephine Bernard	
WEEKDAY READINGS	
✠ MONDAY Acts 6:8-15 Jn.6:22-29 ✠ TUESDAY Acts 7:51-8:1 Jn.6:30-35 ✠ WEDNESDAY Acts 8:1-8 Jn.6:35-40 ✠ THURSDAY Acts 8:26-40 Jn.6:44-51 ✠ FRIDAY Acts 9:1-20 Jn.6:52-59 ✠ SATURDAY Acts.9:31-42 Jn.6:60-69 ✠	

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY / RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER		
Sat May 3 - 6:00 p.m.		BVM: Perlin Verdant & family Thks: Glace family, Augusta Toussaint B'day: Julian Charles Dionysia Sealy Compton
Sun May 4 - 7:30 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
10:00 a.m.		Int: Slu Red Cross
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		Thks: Catherine Augustin & family
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		Thks: Vaughan Edwin & family
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon May 5 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Angus Evumude Fr. John Wilson Sr. Mary Lee Cox	Healing & Deliv: Leonard Prospere Heal & Guid: Davis & Caniscia Thomas
12:30 p.m.		Deliv: Ignatius Lewis & children
Tue May 6 - 6:00 a.m.	Msgr. Patrick Anthony Fr. Joseph Raj Sr. Mary Mutwiwa	Healing: Donna Phillips B'day: Tessa Phillips, Natashua Charles
Wed May 7 - 6:00 a.m.	Arch Robert Rivas OP Sr. Frances Nosbisch	Thks: Diane & Richard Palton
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Claudia Roach
Thu May 8 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Albert Smith Mother Rosaria Joseph Sr. Christine Alphonse	B'day: Francillia Elcock
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Claudette Warner
Fri May 9 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Cezar Herrera Rev. Andrew Edward Sr. Ramona George	Int: Glace Motors Ltd.
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Veronica Hyacinth Thks: Mary Wellington & family
Sat May 10 - 6:30 a.m.	Fr. Joseph Xavier Sr. Petronilla Banda	Dc'd: Teresa Huntley Holy Souls in Purgatory