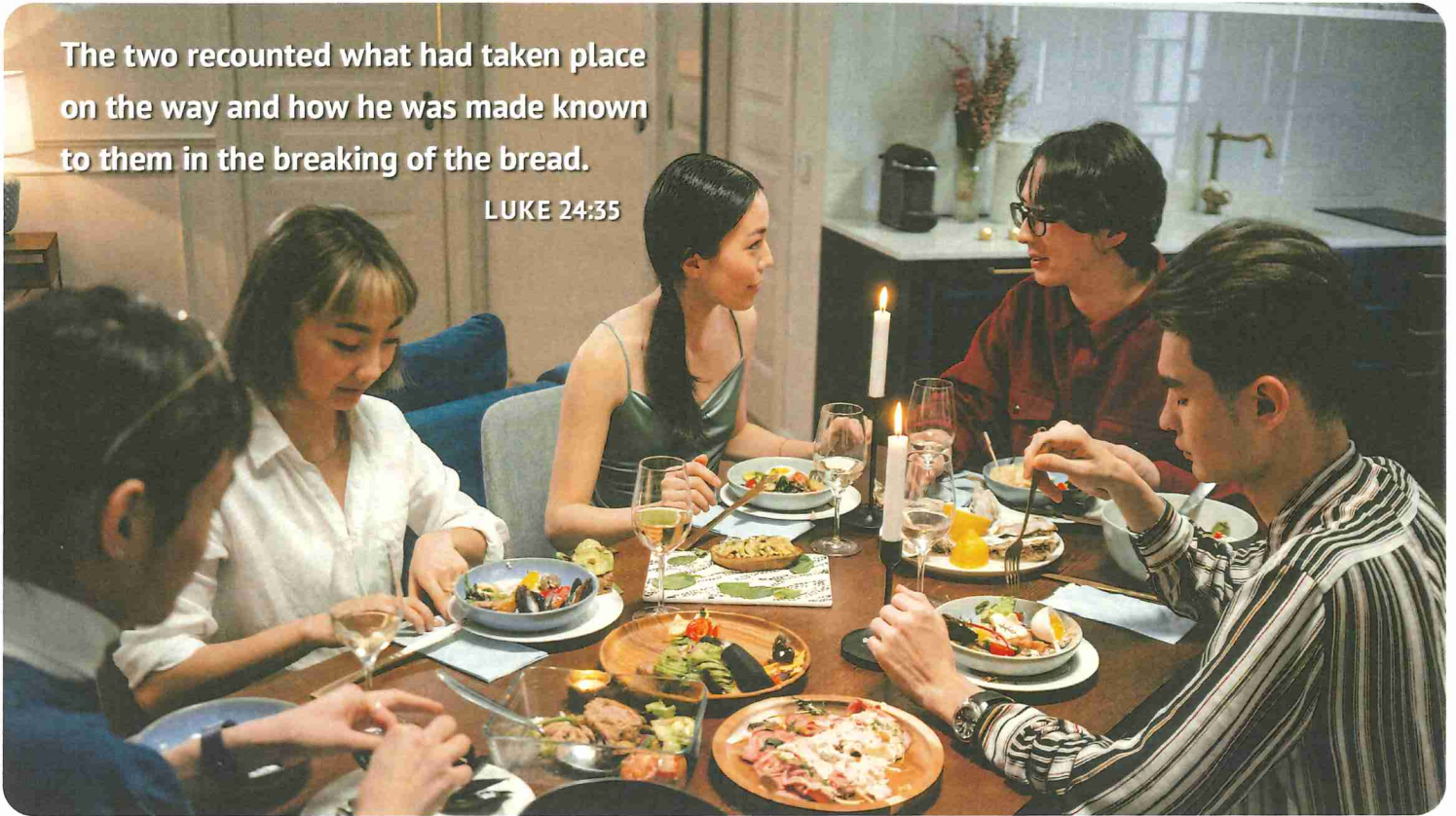




The two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

LUKE 24:35



## Three Basic Rules

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

**T**he Emmaus story is about two disciples walking seven miles from Jerusalem to a village called Emmaus and their encounter with Jesus, whom they did not recognize. The story is rich in both symbolism and meaning. In a nutshell, it teaches us three basic rules for the formation of Christian community: *Welcome the stranger. Break open the word. Celebrate the Eucharist.* When we are faithful to these practices, we are faithful to the promise of the kingdom in our midst. If we choose to ignore these basic rules, we should not be surprised that we seem to be struggling.

Three out of three rules set the baseline. We cannot congratulate ourselves if we follow one or two of them

well enough and ignore the third. We cannot pick and choose. It is the Lord who sets the parameters; our mission is only to respond positively in faith to what he directs us to do.

How are we doing? An honest appraisal probably suggests that improvement is needed. Each of our local communities, and indeed even the wider Church, sometimes struggles to form an Emmaus community of faith. We know we can do better. The good news is that we are not uninformed, and we know where we need to place the most effort. The Holy Spirit of God will show us how we need to apply this renewed effort. ●

### Reflect

**Where does my family and parish need improvement to form a genuinely faithful Emmaus community?**

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221 N Sycamore Street, Nortonville KS 66060      www.stjosephsnortonville.com

**St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**  
905 Broadway, P.O. Box 176, Valley Falls KS 66088

**Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 18760 Rogers Road, Atchison KS 66002**

Dec. 2022

**Parishes Office:** 221 N Sycamore Street  
Nortonville, Kansas 66060  
**Secretary:** Therese Maderak  
**Office hours:** M, W, F 8:30a.m.-12:30p.m.  
**Phone:** 913-886-2030  
**E-mail:** sj.ic.cc.parishoffice@gmail.com

**Pastor: Fr. William Dun-Dery**  
**E-mail: wdun-dery@archkck.org**


**Sacraments**  
**Reconciliation** Saturday & Sunday 30 min before Mass, Wednesdays 6-7pm St. Joseph  
**Marriage** Six-month notice required  
18 months if annulments needed  
**Anointing** Please let us know of any hospital admissions  
**Baptism** For Baptismal dates call the office; one Baptismal Class required

Mass Schedule and Intentions			
Sat.	Apr 18	5:00pm	Corpus Christi
	†	Francis Schmidt	
Sat.	Apr 18	7:00pm	St. Joseph
		Mass for the People	
Sun.	Apr 19	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†	Al and Dixie Weishaar	
Sun.	Apr 19	10:00am	St. Mary's
	†	Kenneth and Brad Glassel	
Mon.	Apr 20	No Mass	
Tue.	Apr 21	8:00am	St. Mary's
	†	Carl and Joan Noll	
Wed.	April 22	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†	Bill and Mary Lou Weishaar	
Thu.	April 23	8:00am	St. Mary's
	†	Bernard Noll	
Fri.	Apr 24	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†	Henry Weishaar family	
Sat.	Apr 25	5:00pm	Corpus Christi
	†	Harold Noll	
Sat.	Apr 25	7:00pm	St. Joseph
	†	Mark Wilson	
Sun.	Apr 26	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†	Mass for the People-First Communion	
Sun.	Apr 26	10:00 am	St. Mary's
	†	Robert and T.C. Schrick	



**2026 Parish Progress**  
St. Joseph: \$10,230 of \$13,000  
St. Mary's: \$5,390 of \$10,000  
Corpus Christi: \$6,585 of \$6,000

**There's still time! Don't delay helping your parish meet the goal.**



**Next meeting: No April Meeting**  
**May 3@6pm, St. Joseph School**  
**Topic: Relationships and boundaries!**

**Beatitudes From the Heartland Listening with the Heart Sessions-** Listening with the Heart is a safe place to share your experience of the church.

**What happens at a Listening with the Heart session?** During a 90-minute session, participants in groups of 10 or fewer will reflect on two prompts:

- Share a story about your experience with the Church that has shaped you.
- What is the Holy Spirit asking of us?

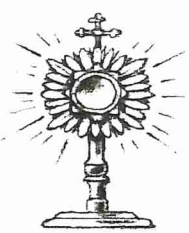
The responses will be gathered anonymously to be used in the archdiocesan Renewal from the Heartland pastoral planning process.

**Who might you invite to a Listening with the Heart session?**

- Your neighbor or coworker
- A loved one
- Someone who has drifted away
- Maybe you!

**Deanery Session:**  
4/24/26 at 6pm in St. Joseph School, Nortonville

**The Good Shepherd collection** will be taken up next weekend. The collection goes towards funding both the diaconate and seminarian programs for the formation of deacons and priests in the archdiocese. Please be generous to this worthy cause.



**Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions**  
St. Joseph  
Wednesdays, 6-7pm  
Corpus Christi  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of month, 4-4:45pm  
St. Mary's  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month, 11am- 12pm

**Bulletin Deadline: Noon Wednesday**

**Please Remember in Your Prayers**

Kyle Perkis	Jeremy Heinen
Bob Heinen	Virginia Grollmes
Emma Dockweiler	Rosella Hollis
Janet Schmidt	Chris Heinen
Tim Hosler	Heidi Rutar
Phil Heuertz	Dolores Miller
Roxie Herring	Dorothy Herring
Jenna Amack	Tynen Darveaux Jr.

Also pray for those serving in the Military, those with health issues and those who have no one to pray for them.

**April Appointments**

**Ushers:** Mike Brose, Pat Sieve, Bill Heinen  
**Lay Ministers:** Larry Martin, Megan Belveal, Taylor Allen  
**Rosary:** Matthew Hamon  
 4/26/2026  
**Lector:** Kevin Glassel  
**Music:** Dawna Ross  
**Servers:** Kenzie Stevens, Jett Nellis  
**Gifts:** Nate Heinen Family  
**Finance:** Larry Martin, Jarett Wildeman  
**Sacristan:** RaeAnn Allen

**Contributions**

04/12/2026

Easter Lily.....	20.00
Projects and maintenance.....	300.00
Plate.....	170.00
Support.....	1150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1640.00</b>

**St Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish Mission Statement**

- Study our **FAITH**
- Practice our **FAITH**
- Support our parish and community in **FAITH**
- Evangelize our **FAITH**

**Bulletin additions or corrections:** Contact Crystal Clark 785-806-0262 (text or call) email [calebcystal@hotmail.com](mailto:calebcystal@hotmail.com)

**CEMETERY DECORATIONS:** Flowers may remain in permanent vases which are a part of the tombstone. Old flowers and wreaths in the grass will be removed this spring. We do not provide care for personal items that are not part of the tombstone marker. Please retrieve any items you wish to keep by May 1<sup>st</sup> . Reminder: no planting of flowers, bushes, etc. is allowed.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will have an initiation ceremony for new members after Mass on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> . All candidates and their families are invited to attend. All Knights and families are also invited. Our normal yearly dues are \$20. The Knights support many programs in our Church and community. The Knights offer a wide array of insurance products and "Asset Advisors" for investment portfolios. If you are interested in joining the Knights, call Larry Martin at 913-547-1499.

If you purchased an **Easter Lily** they can be picked up today after Mass.



**TOTUS TUUS**

**July 19-24 | Nortonville**

Grades 1-6 (Day Program):  
 Mon. - Fri. | 9 AM - 3 PM  
 Grades 7-12 (Evening Program):  
 Sun. - Thurs. | 6:30 - 8:45 PM  
 Where: St. Joseph Catholic Church School, Nortonville, KS  
 \$20/student: members of host parishes  
 \$25/student: guests



Please register online by April 24

**If you'd like to volunteer for TOTUS TUUS, please fill this form out. This could be providing a meal or helping during the program.**

<https://forms.gle/GvmaQWfCpPSRHRLR48>

**This Week on Formed**  
 Week of April 19, 2026



**St. Mark the Evangelist**

Just who is St. Mark the author of the short but action-packed Gospel? Using outside sources, other books of the Bible, and the Gospel itself, Dr. Shaw takes a close-up look at St. Mark and his connection with St. Peter and the Disciples of Christ.

# Dear Padre,

## Why are there different stories about Jesus' resurrection?

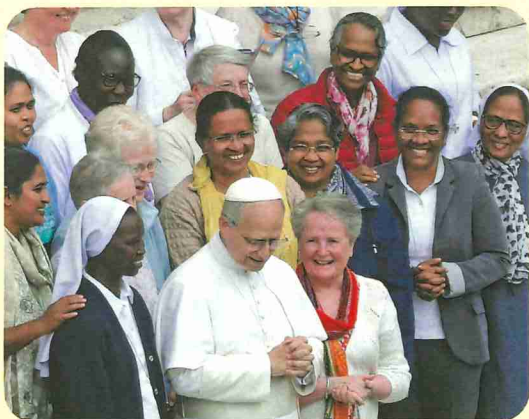
As a whole, the New Testament is a testimonial to the resurrection. About twenty years after Jesus' death, St. Paul offers the earliest written reference to the resurrection. (See 1 Thessalonians 1:10.) All four gospels tell the story of Jesus, who was crucified, rose from the dead, and appeared to his disciples. However, the evangelists incorporated elements that were handed on orally, and they presented them in their own style to address the particular needs and cultural backgrounds of their readers. Each author attempted to express the inexpressible resurrection within the limits of language, and they selectively highlighted or omitted material for theological purposes. If minor details vary among the writers—such as the number of women or angels at Christ's tomb—these variations are consistent with the nature of eyewitness accounts and recorded events as they are remembered. Divergent accounts are not false accounts. Despite discrepancies, the objective of the authors remained uncompromised: the identity of the historical Jesus of Nazareth is now the risen Lord of All. (See Acts 10:34–43.) Moreover, the authors wanted to convey this fundamental truth: Jesus Christ's defeat of death by his resurrection is central to our Christian hope and is the assurance of our own resurrection! Guided by the Holy Spirit, the gospels' resurrection accounts have inspired believers for 2,000 years—for “if Christ has not been raised, then...empty, too, your faith” (1 Corinthians 15:14). ●



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**Fr. Byron J. Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26
<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	<i>St. Mark, Evangelist</i>	<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>
Acts 6:8–15 Jn 6:22–29	Acts 7:51–8:1a Jn 6:30–35	Acts 8:1b–8 Jn 6:35–40	Acts 8:26–40 Jn 6:44–51	Acts 9:1–20 Jn 6:52–59	1 Pt 5:5b–14 Mk 16:15–20	Acts 2:14a, 36–41 1 Pt 2:20b–25 Jn 10:1–10



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### A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

***The Church is brokenhearted at the cry of pain rising from places devastated by war.... We must never get used to war!... For this reason, in the name of human dignity and international law, I reiterate to those in positions of responsibility the frequent warning of...Pope Pius XII: “Nothing is lost with peace. Everything may be lost with war.”***

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