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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14 2024

FULFILLMENT

It is interesting that during the Easter season, when we do not hear a reading from the Old Testament, it becomes so important. This is particularly true today. Peter's speech begins with a prayer formula familiar to Jews: "The God of Abraham . . ." (Acts 3:13). It likewise contains the potent phrases "Holy and Righteous One" and "mouth of all the prophets" (3:14, 18). Peter was stating in no uncertain terms that the law, psalms, and prophets had been fulfilled in Christ. This is reinforced by Jesus himself in the Gospel passage, when he states that everything in the scriptures (to the early Christians "the scriptures criptures" were what we call the Old Testament) had to hat we are witnesses to all of this, and are sent forth to bear witness to it in the world. The Latin *Missa*, from which our word "Mass" comes, means "sent" (as in "mission"). As we

.FEAST OF FAITH

The Second Reading

The Liturgy of the Word generally follows a consistent pattern of three readings and a psalm. The second reading is always taken from one of the New Testament epistles or the book of Revelation, and generally is not intentionally aligned with either the Gospel or the first reading.

Where would we be without these letters in which great saints and apostles like Paul, Peter, James, and John share their wisdom and pastoral good sense with the early Christian communities? It is in these letters, even more than in the Gospel narratives, that we learn what it means to be church: to live with each other, in the world yet not of the world, in these days after the Lord's resurrection. Each New Testament letter was written by a particular leader for a particular community at a particular time. We are reminded of this at the beginning of the proclamation—"A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians," or the Corinthians, or the Thessalonians. These texts were shaped by their particular historical and cultural context, but at the same time, through the liturgy, these letters are written to us, here, today. They speak to the realities of Christian living no matter where—or when—we live. They are truly "the word of the Lord" for

NATURE'S LESSONS

Believe one who has tried, you shall find a fuller satisfaction in the woods than in books. The trees and the rocks will teach you that which you cannot hear from the masters.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).

Psalm — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

Second Reading — We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one (1 John 2:1-5a).

Gospel — Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day (Luke 24:35-48).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27,

29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6,

7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a;

Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17,

20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn

6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn

6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23,

26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

APRIL 2024

APRIL 7TH

LECTOR MARY

SERVERS JESUS

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

APRIL 14TH

LECTOR PEGGY

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN F

APRIL 21ST

LECTOR BEVERLY

SERVERS JESUS

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

APRIL 28TH

LECTOR PEGGY

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN

Mass Intentions

April 14th: Jeff Parrish

April 17th Herb Marshall

April 21st Joe Bisang

April 24th Herb Marshall

April 28th: Dick and Connie Fetter

May 1st Herb Marshall

SUNDAY COLLECTION

4-7-2024

\$721..00 B&M

\$131.00

RICE BOWL

\$255.00