

# *Welcome*

*To our communities of faith*

## **Our Divine Saviour Catholic Church**

12<sup>th</sup> Street and Love Avenue  
Tifton, GA

and

## **St. Ann Catholic Church**

U.S. Highway 82 East  
Alapaha, GA

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Third Sunday of Easter  
*April 18, 2021*

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Pastor  
Rev. Peter Oyenugba, MSP

Deacon  
J. Brian Bergeron  
Deacon  
Eric Windmoller

*Lord, let your face shine on us.  
Psalm 4*



*The author of today's Gospel attempts to tell us that Jesus' resurrection involves the whole person, body and spirit.*

*After his resurrection, when Jesus eats with the disciples, they recognize him in the breaking of bread.*

*Life in Christ is a life of forgiveness and peace.*

**Our Divine Savior**

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Friday.....Closed**

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Please call the parish office**

**Please see back of bulletin for Mass Times**

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**Requests for Prayers**

**Please pray for the sick  
and those who have  
requested our prayers:**

Allison Brannan, Rachel Brantley, James Brown, Brady, Carol Budnick, Erica Carroll, Mary Carroll, Tommy Carroll, Sean Winn Carampatan, Margarie D’Souva, Tina DeWees, Anne Marie Emanueli, Carlos & Carrie Fletcher, Lauren Marie Fletcher, Judy Fraelich, Rodolfo Hernandez-Labastida, Wayne Harrell, Chloe Kendrick, David LaForest, Isaac Lindsey, Randy Long, Ortrun Logan, Raeleigh Jane McCartha, Andrew Meredith, Susana Melgar, Butch Parker, Charles Phenicie, Miller Blake Prostko, Nancy Quynn, Marian Robinson, Rosalie Rohrer, Arlene Ruse, Josephine Sehramski, Marlena Smith, Sterling Saunders, Robbi Scarbrough, Wayne Scarbrough, John B. Sherlock, Kaylon Spurlock, Jennifer Unis, Dowson Bedore, Debra Vazquez, Sonia Webb

**Please Pray for our  
Military:**

Anthony Caucci, Jonathan Elder, Clayton F. Gibbs, Terry Jones, James Olands, Angel Olivos, Bong Tanesco, Aurelio Tovar, Gregory Camargo, Michael Gibbons, Jackson Bergeron, Marquis Smith

**April 18, 2021  
Third Sunday  
of Easter**

**Readings:  
Acts 3:13-15  
1 John 2:1-5  
Luke 24:35-48**

**Theme:  
Being able to see the  
Risen Christ.**

**Question of the week:  
When have you had a  
“Aha” moment, when  
you suddenly realized  
that God was with  
you?**

**April 25, 2021  
Fourth Sunday  
of Easter**

**Readings:  
Acts 4:8-12  
1 John 3:1-2  
John 10:11-18**

**Theme:  
Jesus is the Good  
Shepherd.**

**Question of the  
Week:  
What qualities of God  
does the image of the  
Good Shepherd  
suggest? How do you  
experience God in  
this way?**

## Announcements April 17 & 18

### **Volunteers needed:**

Volunteers needed to help keep everyone safe. A few volunteers are needed after each mass to help with the wiping of the pews. The more hands we have, the quicker we will finish. Thank you for helping.

### **CCW Sale:**

The CCW is cleaning out the religious item's cabinet in the Parish Hall to make room for new merchandise. The sale will be set up outside near the St. Francis statue on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> before and after the English mass and before the Spanish mass, and on Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup> before and after the English mass. In case of rain, it will be in the Parish Hall.

### **Parish Council Meeting:**

The Parish Council will meet on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Activity Center. Council members, please make plans to attend. Social distancing and masks are required. Contact Paola Woodford or Laura Frizzell with questions.

### **ACA Update:**

The latest update for the Annual Catholic Appeal (April 1), shows that our parish has contributed a total of \$12,979 toward our goal of \$25,008. That's 57% of our target goal which we hope to reach by the Fall. Many, many thanks to those 67 families who have contributed so far. That's about 30% of our families. Envelopes are available in the vestibule if you haven't yet made your pledge or your contribution.

## Dear Padre

April 18, 2021

**I thought detraction was a sin only if what you're saying about someone isn't true, but my priest says it's a sin even if it is true. What do you say?**

We commit the sin of detraction when we, "without objectively valid reason, disclose another's faults and failings to persons who did not know them" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2477).

Part of respecting human dignity is to recognize that others have a right to their good name and reputation. We ought not to damage those goods carelessly, which is what happens when we engage in detraction. We slander or commit calumny when we speak or spread negative falsehoods about someone (see CCC 2479). But detraction can happen even when we speak the truth.

Sometimes it's objectively necessary to speak harsh truths about another person. For example, when we observe an adult engaged in inappropriate behavior with a child, we report it to the authorities because protection of vulnerable children outweighs concern over any adult's reputation.

So truth-telling when clear communication of the truth is necessary is not detraction, even if it does damage another's reputation. However, carelessly sharing a true story or detail that doesn't need telling is detraction, and it's sinful.

Fr. Matthew Allman, CSSR

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**EVENTS of the WEEK:**

**Saturday, April 17**

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . . . . . 5:00 pm  
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . 7:00 pm

**Sunday, April 18**

Mass at ODS [+*Charles Dillehay* . . . . . 9:00 am  
Mass at St. Ann (For St. Ann Parishioners) . . 11:15 am  
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . 1:30 pm

**Monday, April 19**

**NO Mass at ODS** . . . . .

**Tuesday, April 20**

Mass at ODS. . . . . 5:30 pm

**Wednesday, April 21**

Confirmation at ODS . . . . . 6:00 pm

**Thursday, April 22**

Mass at ODS . . . . . 8:00 am  
ODS Parish Council meeting . . . . . 7:00 pm

**Friday, April 23**

Mass at ODS . . . . . 5:30 pm

**Saturday, April 24**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Catholic Home Missions**

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . . . . . 5:00 pm  
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . 7:00 pm

**Sunday, April 25**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Catholic Home Missions**

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners) . . . . . 9:00 am  
Mass at St. Ann (For St. Ann Parishioners).. 11:15 am  
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners). 1:30 pm

# Good News!

April 18, 2021

## Third Sunday of Easter (B)

**Acts 3:13–15, 17–19; 1 Jn 2:1–5a; Lk 24:35–48**

What will it take for the early followers of Jesus to recognize him in their midst? Today’s Gospel recounts yet another episode of confusion and unbelief. They had an extraordinary experience that startled and terrified them. Even though other disciples reported having come upon the risen Lord, they didn’t realize that it was also he they were encountering. Such an unusual experience might have left them doubtful about the Lord’s presence, but the reports of others should have thrown light on the reality of their own experiences. Are they like Thomas, who was unwilling to take the word of others but demanded his own tangible experience of the risen Lord?

However, every account of the risen Lord’s appearance reports that his identity is initially hidden. They only knew that it was him when he revealed himself. Mary recognized him when he called her name (John 20:16); the couple in Emmaus knew him in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:31); even Paul on the road to Damascus only understood who the Lord was when he revealed his name (Acts 9:3).

And what about us? What will it take for us to recognize the risen Lord in our midst? Do we also need concrete evidence? Will it only happen if we have a meal with him? But isn’t that exactly what the Eucharist is—a meal with the risen Lord?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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### Protecting Our Youth:

Diocesan policy requires all diocesan Adult employees and volunteers who minister to the youth of the diocese attend VIRTUS (safe environment) awareness training undergo a background check, and read and sign the Diocesan “Code of conduct for working with minors” prior to commencing their ministry. The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, toll free reporting hotline: (888) 357-5530.