

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS **Luke 24:35-48**

1. When we are not expecting it to happen, even a good event can startle us. So it was with the disciples when Jesus appeared to them. He sought to calm them and helped them to see the good news behind what had initially alarmed them. Who has been a Jesus person for you by helping you to find meaning and good news in life?

2. Jesus helped the disciples to find new hope, but he did not give them easy answers. He asked them to see the facts before their eyes. He wanted them to learn from the lived experience they were having. As a parent, teacher, friend or guide, have you been a Jesus person to another, helping him/her to find hope and purpose in life by learning from his/her experiences? Who has done this for you?

3. Jesus opened their minds to 'understand the scriptures', and the effect was transformative. Perhaps there have been times when a new and deeper understanding of scripture has had a transformative impact on you. Recall the experience and give thanks for those who opened the scriptures for you.

4. The resurrection experience empowered the disciples to be witnesses. Unexpected possibilities for the future surfaced when it seemed that hope had gone. When have

new possibilities opened for you after a 'resurrection' experience: recovery of health when it did not seem possible, new opportunities after failure or disappointment, inner healing after a deep hurt, etc?

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MUSINGS: CHRISTIAN PARENTS

At the beginning of a baptism ceremony, the priest welcomes the parents with their baby at the Church, and after asking them for the name of their child and to formally declare their desire to have the child baptised, he says: 'You have asked to have your child baptised. In doing so, you are accepting the responsibility of training him/her in the practice of the faith. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?'

The parents answer: 'We do', showing that they are freely and consciously accepting their duty as Christian parents.

This fundamental principle, that the faith is primarily handed on in the family, through generations, goes back to our pre-Christian roots. The people of Israel had a very strong sense that faith is sustained and passed on from parents to children, from elders to the next generations. As Psalm 78 puts it: 'we will tell to a generation still to come, the praises of the Lord, his power, the wonderful deeds he has done ... so that a generation still to come might know it, children yet to be born'. *Archbishop Eamon Martin speaking at Knock Shrine, September 2015*

APRIL 14: CINEFORUM!

Family Cineforum at Saint Saviour's Dominican Church

Sunday 15 April after 1pm Family Mass
Come join us with your family to watch the movie 'The Invincibles'.

Lunch provided. Donations welcome.

APRIL 28: HOW TO DEFEND THE FAITH, WITHOUT RAISING YOUR VOICE

Join The Irish Catholic Newspaper for a conference at the Red Cow Hotel, Dublin to hear how Catholics can answer common criticisms of the faith.

Registration is at 9am and speakers include Dr Austen Ivereigh (Catholic Voices); Prof Francis Campbell (St Mary's University) and Senator Ronan Mullen.

It costs €30; tea and coffee.

OUR PARISH PRAYERS FOR THE PROTECTION OF LIFE - SPECIAL EVENTS:

Sat April 28: Vigil of the Faithful Who is with us?
Sun April 29: John Waters on the Sociocultural & Political consequences of repeal of the 8th Amendment

THE IMPACT OF PLASTIC ON OUR OCEANS - SALESIAN COSMOLOGY GRP

Morning Conference: The Impact of Plastic in our Oceans

Presented by Dr. Paul Connolly, Marine Institute Galway

Venue: Don Bosco Centre, Milford, Limerick

Date: Sat April 14th 2018. 10:30am - 1:30pm

To register contact Teresa on 086 3236728,

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On or before April 11th

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17:00-17:30 Monday & Tuesday
09:00-12.30 Sunday

MASS TIMES: Weekends:

Saturday Vigil 18:00

Sunday 10:00; 11:30

Weekdays:

Mon. to Fri. 10:00

Saturday 09:45

BAPTISMS: Saturday 17:00

Sunday 12:15

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 14 th	18:00	Bridie, Willie, Sarah & Michael Ryan, (A) Tom Noonan (A) Don Cameron (A) Brid Fitzsimons (MM)
Sun 15 th	10:00	Moirra Gallagher (A) Mick Burke (A)
	11:30	Mary Casserly (A)
Mon 16 th	10:00	Carmel Custy(A) Leo Family (Dec Mem) Mamie Golden (Rec Dec)
Tue 17 th	10:00	
Wed 18 th	10:00	
Thur 19 th	10:00	O'Connor family (Rec Dec)
Fri 20 th	10:00	Thomas Kenny
Sat 21 st	09.45	NO MASS
	11.00	Confirmation
	18.00	Gertie McCormack (A)
Sun 22 nd	10.00	Tony Donovan (A)
	11.30	Mary Hogan (A) Percy Kennedy (A) Maura Hollliday (A)