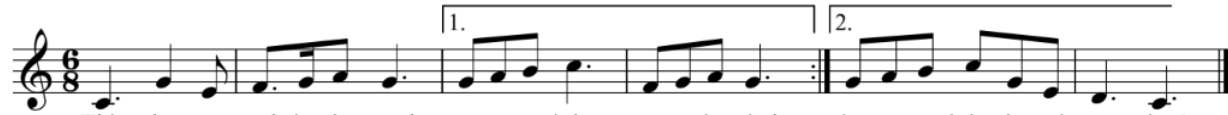
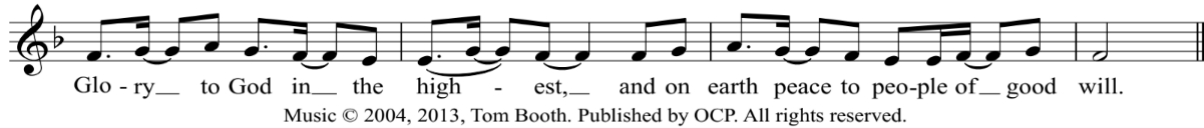


**Gathering Song:** *This Day Was Made by The Lord* BB#576

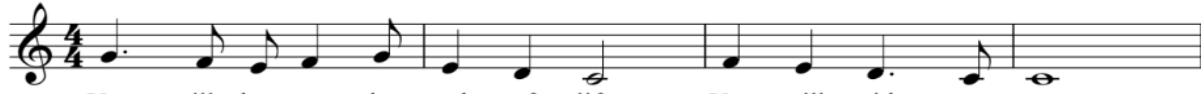


This day was made by the Lord. Let us re-joice. Let us be glad. let us re-joice in sal - va - tion!  
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**Gloria:** *Glory to God*



**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 16: Lord, You Will Show Us the Path of Life*



You will show us the path of life. You will guide our way.  
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**Gospel Acclamation:** *Watson Alleluia*



Alle - lu - ia, Alle - lu - ia, Alle - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Oh\_\_ lu - ia.

**Preparation of Gifts:** *Two Were Bound for Emmaus* BB#162

**Mass:** *Mass of Renewal*

Holy: BB#878 Memorial Acclamation: BB#879 Amen: BB#882 Lamb of God: BB#883

**Communion Song:** *In the Breaking of the Bread* BB#321

**Refrain:** *In the breaking of the bread, we have known him; we have been fed.  
Jesus the stranger, Jesus the Lord, be our companion; be our hope.*

**Closing Song:** *River of Glory* BB#652

**Refrain:** *River of Glory, springs of our birth, flood of God's riches poured on the earth.  
We are born from the darkness and clothes in the light!  
We are bathed in the glory of God!*

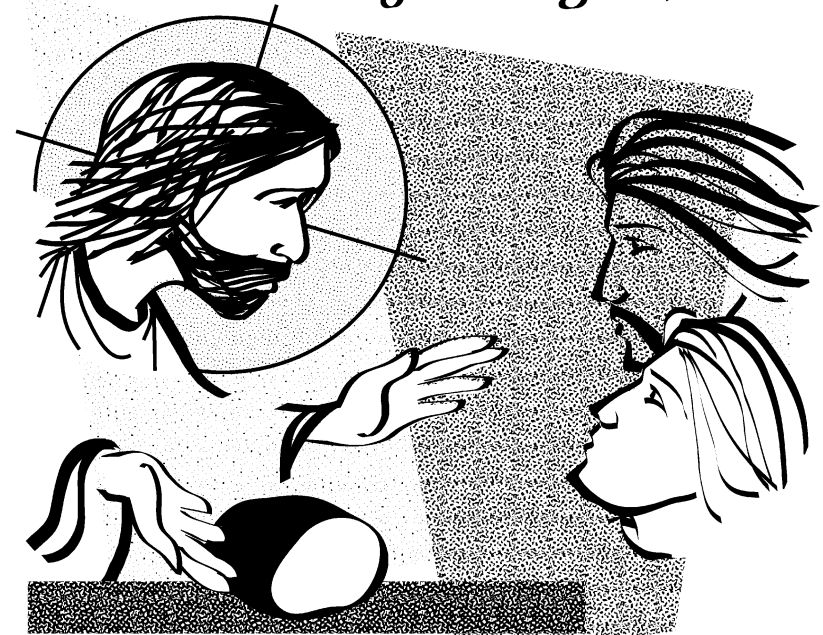
Break Bread  
together



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# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter April 23, 2023

*when he BROKE the BREAD  
and said the BLESSING,  
their eyes were opened and  
they recognized him.*



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## Mass Times

**Saturday Mass:** 5:00 p.m.  
**Sunday Masses:** 8:00 a.m. Spanish  
9:30 a.m. English  
11:30 a.m. Spanish

**Confession:** 4:30 p.m., Saturdays  
6:30 p.m., Wednesdays

Sunday Masses are Live Streamed  
on Facebook, YouTube, or  
our website: [www.stleesonoma.org](http://www.stleesonoma.org)

**Weekday Mass:**  
8:30 a.m. M, W – F (no Mass on Tuesday)  
7:00 p.m. – Wed. – Spanish Mass

✚ **Sacraments** ✚  
**Baptisms:** Call the office, (707) 996-8422  
**Weddings:** Call the office, (707) 996-8422

## MASS INTENTIONS April 22<sup>nd</sup> – April 30<sup>th</sup>

Sat 22	5:00 pm	Aurelia & Jon Scannavino †
Sun 23	9:30 am	Joan Polan † & Bob Zwiener †
Mon 24	8:30 am	John Seda † & Bill Maffei †
Tues 25		<b>NO MASS</b>
Wed 26	8:30 am	Edúardo Noroña †
Thurs 27	8:30 am	Rosalie Levesque †
Friday 28	8:30 am	Virgilia Vargas Mapa †
Sat 29	5:00 pm	Paul Erlach †
		& Richard Facciola, Improved Health
Sun 30	9:30 am	David Owens †

## FISCAL LOG April 15 / 16

**Sunday Collection:** \$3,010.  
**2022 ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN UPDATE**  
129 Parishioners pledged: \$130,972. 90%

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

**April 26** SVDP Monthly Meeting, 9AM FINN  
**April 29** Opening Day for Bocce  
**May 11** Free Concert  
**May 13** First Communion Mass 10AM  
**May 17** Confirmation Rehearsal & Reconciliation,  
4:30 to 7:00 PM  
**May 19** Confirmation 6PM



**SANCTUARY LAMP**  
Dedication for April  
In Memory of Jerry Shafer

**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION ON 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY** is for St. Leo's St. Vincent de Paul Society. The funds collected help to keep the food pantry stocked.

## MONTHLY SVDP MEETING:

Wednesday, April 26 at 9:00a.m. in the Finnegan Center. All members are encouraged to attend.

## SVDP NEEDS PAPER AND PLASTIC BAGS:

Our SVDP needs your unwanted paper and plastic shopping bags for their Tuesday, "Groceries to Go" program. Please bring your bags to the parish office.

## 1<sup>st</sup> FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ADORATION:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 8:30a.m. morning Mass on Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>.

**LENTEN STONES:** If you did not leave your Lenten Stone at our Good Friday service, please leave it in the basket in the Ushers Room or bring it by the office so that we can use them again next year during Lent. **Thank you!**

## ST. LEO'S ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN

**2023-24:** If you did not receive your letter with pledge envelope, no worries, pledge envelopes are located at the back of church or stop by the parish office and pick one up, M-F, 9a.m. to 12:30p.m. We are still accepting final pledge payments for the 2022 APC.

**FREE CONCERT AT ST. LEO'S:** On Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m. you are invited to come and hear Chris Brunelle perform at St. Leo's church. There is no charge but a free will offering is welcome.

## BOCCE – OPENING DAY CELEBRATION:

On Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Join us for an afternoon of clinics, evening of open play, and the Picazo Food Truck from 5 – 7PM. Sign-up forms for the food truck are at the back of church. Tickets for Food Truck are \$25 in advance or \$30 walkup (no reservation). Contact Rosemary Haver for ticket reservations or to volunteer, [stleobocceclub@gmail.com](mailto:stleobocceclub@gmail.com).

**SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATION:** If you are interested in having a month-long Sanctuary Lamp dedicated to a loved one, please contact the office, (707) 996-8422. The cost is \$40 a month.

## SPARE CHANGE FUNDRAISER FOR LENT:

The funds collected this year will go toward the purchase of furniture for the new building at the Orphanage that our previous funds built. Please return your spare change jar when possible. Jars can be left in the Ushers Room or brought directly to the office. To date our total is \$8,155.37.

**SPANISH ALLENON** in Matthews Hall. The group will meet every Friday evening from 6:30 – 8p.m. All are welcome.

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** We have 37 students who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation in May. Please pray that they continue with their faith.

## “We were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel”

In Charles Dickens's novel Great Expectations, a London lawyer appears at the home of a country blacksmith named Joe Gargery, brother-in-law of the boy Philip "Pip" Pirrip. "My name is Jaggers," says the lawyer. "I am the bearer of an offer to relieve you of this young fellow your apprentice . . . I am instructed to communicate to him that he will come into a handsome property, that he be immediately removed from his present sphere of life . . . and be brought up as a gentleman . . . a young fellow of great expectations."

Great expectations! Pip could only conclude that a Miss Havisham must be his benefactor – a wealthy, elderly recluse whom he occasionally wheeled around her estate. And with this in mind off he goes to London to be dressed and taught and to bear himself as a well-supported and arrogant urban fellow.

Except that even as he is later enjoying his adult status and dressing the part and fast becoming a snob he is visited by his actual benefactor, a now wealthy ex-convict from Australia who, during a failed escape from a prison ship, remembered a kindness done to him by Pip and secretly paid his way to becoming a gentleman.

Unfortunately this ex-convict benefactor, by returning to England, broke the law, had his wealth confiscated and died in prison – leaving Pip destitute – but a humbler, more compassionate human being; much less the "gentleman" that he had expected to be, yet so much more a human being.

So what were the expectations of Cleopas and his friend in today's Gospel? Not much different from those of the twelve original apostles of Jesus. The expectations of all – right up to the trial – were of a restoration of Israel's royal past – under a new David. In other words they were interested in history, as we normally know it – a succession of empires, political, commercial, conflictual as in Armageddon. Despite his curiosity, the stranger who approaches them knows this and has to respond:

"How slow of heart, how exasperating you are not to have seen that the Gospel is about changing the kind of history you expect, about breaking through the superficial and violent everydayness of the news we call "history" to release a deeper sense of history that has to do with mutual graciousness and the peace that can come of it, with our becoming shepherds of nature, caretakers of each other, sharing the most radical of surnames: that we, each and everyone of us: ARE. That fundamentally related!

This stranger must have had a profound effect on the two disciples, for when he broke bread with them something else broke as well – their hearts; they caught the taste of what a history of gracious being can be: sharing a table, as simple as that. "Stay with us" they said. And so say we.

And as a postscript to this message, introduce a little passivity or openness into your expectations over time. Because while you are focused often intently on some desirable or specific outcome ahead, you may end up surprised – as Columbus should have been.

**Geoff Wood**