

April 28, 2017

In this week's readings, we continue to hear Jesus teaching as he appears to His disciples. He is preparing them for the coming of the Holy Spirit. As they walk along with Him, and they share a meal, they realize who it is. It is in the breaking of the bread that it all becomes clear! When we share Eucharist, Jesus is truly present, just as He was to His disciples on the road to Emmaus. The Emmaus story tells us they began to recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread, thus becoming aware of the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharistic meal. Our catholic belief tells us that the Eucharist is not just symbolic. Christ is truly and substantially present to us in the Eucharist as He was with the people He taught in Emmaus. What



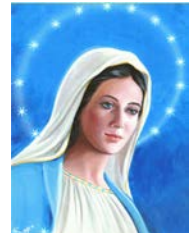
does it take to recognize Jesus in our lives? Jesus was the disciples' companion on their journey. Let us pray that He will continue to be our companion on our journey of faith.



**SPECIAL WISHES :** To all the students in Grade Three, receiving the Holy Eucharist for the first time, God's blessings on this most beautiful day, Saturday April 29th! Have a wonderful day. Congratulations to all the families. We invite all the children from the First Holy Communion class back to our Family Mass on May 7<sup>th</sup> for the May Crowning of Mary right after the Mass. All students should come dressed in their First Communion attire once again. There will be reserved seating for them.

**MAY CROWNING:** All students and their families are invited to attend the Mass and May Crowning on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. All in attendance are asked to

bring flowers to place in the vases in front of the statue during the crowning.



**TAEKWONDO:** The belt promotion test will be May 9<sup>th</sup>. Information was given to the students at the last Taekwondo class. Parents are asked to return the paper to the office if your child will be participating.

**RELAY FOR LIFE:** We are having a dress down for cancer research on Wed. May 10<sup>th</sup>. It is in memory of Ann Fruin, a former parent who was very active in the school and had 3 children graduate here. She lost her battle with cancer two years ago and her children are walking in her memory in the relay for life. To participate in the dress down, send your donation in on that day, and we will put it all together and donate it to "RELAY FOR LIFE" in her memory. If you write a check, please make it out to St. Mary School. Thank you for your generosity.

**SAVE THE DATE:** An important meeting of the Home School Association for the STATE OF THE SCHOOL report and installation of new officers will take place on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please make every effort to attend.

**REMINDER:** Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> is an early dismissal.

God bless,

Sr. Annette

