

Dear Padre,

Why are there different stories about Jesus' resurrection?

As a whole, the New Testament is a testimonial to the resurrection. About twenty years after Jesus' death, St. Paul offers the earliest written reference to the resurrection. (See 1 Thessalonians 1:10.) All four gospels tell the story of Jesus, who was crucified, rose from the dead, and appeared to his disciples. However, the evangelists incorporated elements that were handed on orally, and they presented them in their own style to address the particular needs and cultural backgrounds of their readers. Each author attempted to express the inexpressible resurrection within the limits of language, and they selectively highlighted or omitted material for theological purposes. If minor details vary among the writers—such as the number of women or angels at Christ's tomb—these variations are consistent with the nature of eyewitness accounts and recorded events as they are remembered. Divergent accounts are not false accounts. Despite discrepancies, the objective of the authors remained uncompromised: the identity of the historical Jesus of Nazareth is now the risen Lord of All. (See Acts 10:34–43.) Moreover, the authors wanted to convey this fundamental truth: Jesus Christ's defeat of death by his resurrection is central to our Christian hope and is the assurance of our own resurrection! Guided by the Holy Spirit, the gospels' resurrection accounts have inspired believers for 2,000 years—for “if Christ has not been raised, then...empty, too, your faith” (1 Corinthians 15:14). ●



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Fr. Byron J. Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26
Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	St. Mark, Evangelist	Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 6:8–15	Acts 7:51–8:1a	Acts 8:1b–8	Acts 8:26–40	Acts 9:1–20	1 Pt 5:5b–14	Acts 2:14a, 36–41
Jn 6:22–29	Jn 6:30–35	Jn 6:35–40	Jn 6:44–51	Jn 6:52–59	Mk 16:15–20	1 Pt 2:20b–25
						Jn 10:1–10



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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

The Church is brokenhearted at the cry of pain rising from places devastated by war.... We must never get used to war!... For this reason, in the name of human dignity and international law, I reiterate to those in positions of responsibility the frequent warning of...Pope Pius XII: “Nothing is lost with peace. Everything may be lost with war.”

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, JUNE 18, 2025

Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 19, 2026

Third Sunday of Easter (A)

Acts 2:14, 22–33 / 1 Peter 1:17–21 / Luke 24:13–35



The two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

LUKE 24:35

Three Basic Rules

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

The Emmaus story is about two disciples walking seven miles from Jerusalem to a village called Emmaus and their encounter with Jesus, whom they did not recognize. The story is rich in both symbolism and meaning. In a nutshell, it teaches us three basic rules for the formation of Christian community: *Welcome the stranger. Break open the word. Celebrate the Eucharist.* When we are faithful to these practices, we are faithful to the promise of the kingdom in our midst. If we choose to ignore these basic rules, we should not be surprised that we seem to be struggling.

Three out of three rules set the baseline. We cannot congratulate ourselves if we follow one or two of them

well enough and ignore the third. We cannot pick and choose. It is the Lord who sets the parameters; our mission is only to respond positively in faith to what he directs us to do.

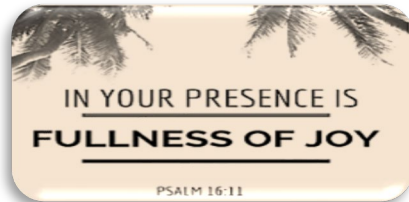
How are we doing? An honest appraisal probably suggests that improvement is needed. Each of our local communities, and indeed even the wider Church, sometimes struggles to form an Emmaus community of faith. We know we can do better. The good news is that we are not uninformed, and we know where we need to place the most effort. The Holy Spirit of God will show us how we need to apply this renewed effort. ●

Reflect

Where does my family and parish need improvement to form a genuinely faithful Emmaus community?



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St. Theresa Parish

Established January 21, 1941
P.O. Box 159, Kekaha, HI 96752



Vision / Mission Statement
To make St. Theresa Parish a dynamic Christian community of worship & service



1946 / 1993
St. Theresa School at Kekaha



Parish Directory

Clergy

Reverend Edwin D. Conselva, MS, Pastor 808-337-1784
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Deacon Jim Bostick, retired 808-337-1124

Parish Office

Mass Intentions / Hospital or Homebound
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Dee Young, Parish Secretary 808-337-1548
M-F, 8am-noon sttheresac@yahoo.com

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Chantal Duarte 808-634-0403

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Wendy Souza, Principal
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Office hours M-F, 7:30am-3pm
HCH school articles

3rd Sunday of Easter
April 19, 2026

Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures? Luke 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to the other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.

~Archdiocese of St. Louis

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St. Theresa Church
8343 Kaunualii Hwy
Kekaha HI 96752

Sat 5pm Vigil Mass
Sun 7:45am Rosary
8:30am Mass

Mon-Thu 6:30am Mass
Fri 8:10am School Mass
Weekday Masses subject to change.

Wed 6pm Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima & Novena to OLPH

First Friday Holy Hour 6-7pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

Confessions 4:30pm Saturday (or call the parish office for an appointment)

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Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Church
9496 Kaunualii Hwy
Waimea HI 96796

Sun 7am Mass

First Saturday Devotion to the BVM 8-9am

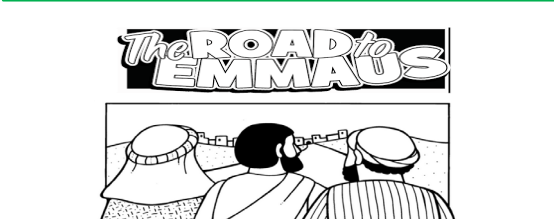
STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Offerings
Kekaha \$ 1,822
Waimea 909

Other Donations

Candles	\$	65
Cross We Share		2,390
Dio. Priests' Retirement Fund		20
Easter		220
Holy Land (Good Friday)		50
Holy Thursday		35
Maintenance Fund		70
Mass Intentions		330
Operation Rice Bowl		35

Mahalo for being as generous as your means allow. God bless you! †



St. Theresa Parish Sunday Offerings Report

	Jan	Feb	Fiscal YTD (Jul-Feb)
Sunday Offerings	\$20,248	\$14,060	\$127,530
Budgeted Need	15,600	15,600	124,800
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 4,648	\$ (1,540)	\$ 2,730

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon Apr 20 – **NO SCHOOL** – Carnival Recovery Day
Mon Apr 20 - weekly **Bible Study** at Deacon Ron's home, 4526B Alae Rd, 6 to 7:30pm
Fri May 1 – **NO SCHOOL** – First Friday Workday
Mon May 4 thru Fri May 8 - **Teacher Appreciation Week**
Fri May 8 – **May Day** at St. Theresa School grounds

View the bulletin online: kekahacatholic.com

THIS WEEKEND'S 2nd COLLECTION
is for our Parish Maintenance Fund.
Mahalo for your support!

"Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. ...Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen."
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe"

Mass Intentions: Your envelope should indicate the date and time of the Mass you are requesting. Please contact Dee at 808-337-1548 for any intentions. \$10 offering per request.

Prayer Requests: Contact Chantal Duarte via text at 808-634-0403 or via email at chantal_duarte@yahoo.com and our Prayer Warriors will pray for your special needs.

MINISTRY NEWS

Religious Education Thu at 6:30pm (STS)
OCIA Thu at 6pm (STC)
Youth Ministry 1st & 3rd Sun at 9:30am (STC Hall)
Choir practice Thu 4:30 to 6pm (STC)