

Welcome To Our Tri-Parish

*St. Catherine
Of Siena
Piedmont*



*St. George
Van Buren*



*Our Lady of
Sorrows
Williamsville*



Following Jesus in the Foothills of the Ozarks

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*When Simon Peter heard that it was
the Lord, he jumped into the sea.*

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MAY 5, 2019 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, "If you love Me, feed my sheep." He says the same to each of us, "If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your brothers and sisters."

Mass Schedule this Week:

Monday: P 6:00pm followed by silent adoration until 7:00pm/ Tuesday P 8:00am/ Wednesday P 6:00pm/ Thursday P 8:00am, VB 5:15pm/ Friday P 8:00am

Eucharist Service daily 5:45am with morning prayer.

Penance ½ hr. before weekend and Wednesday masses.

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Homily 2nd Sunday of Easter

Thank God for Thomas! Why? He is a genuine Missourian. I won't believe without seeing and touching. And a week later, in John's Gospel. Wait a minute. Why does Luke say the 11 were gathered when the disciples who were on the road to Emmaus returned? Luke is more of a biographer. John uses all kinds of elements to teach. In this case he is probably picking on Thomas whose name means 'twin' as a way of helping us to identify. In Luke Jesus had already asked the apostles to touch his wounds but by making it a week later John helps remove any idea of mass hysteria. So, when Mary discovers Jesus on the morning of the resurrection he says 'don't touch me for I have not yet gone to the Father.' Now at the end of the day He says 'touch me' 'give me something to eat.' 'as you can see ghosts do not have flesh and bones as I do.' Keeping this in mind we have to remember John is addressing the Greeks. He's on the island of Patmos. The Greeks had difficulty accepting the resurrection of the body. They could understand eternal life, if it meant just the spiritual. John is seeking to make it abundantly clear that humans are body, soul, and spirit and always will be even though our bodies will be resurrected bodies like Jesus'. Our proclamation today is simply JESUS HAS RISEN BODY, SOUL, AND SPIRIT and we will too. John then also helps us to understand that Jesus might appear differently in His resurrected body—as we all do in different stages of our life. And so, if Jesus chooses to remain on earth under the appearances of bread and wine that is His business. For as long as earth lasts Jesus will always be physically present to us.



Kyle and Ashley Aubuchon Married May 4, 2019



Ava Theresa Hicks
First Communion
April 27, 2019
Our Lady of Sorrows