3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER — YEAR C

5TH MAY 2019





Jesus showed himself for the third time and shared breakfast

MARRIAGE A GIFT FROM GOD

Heavenly Father, thank you for this time in your presence. I have learned about the unbreakable and sacred bond of marriage. Help me to begin to determine if I am called to married life. If so, help protect me from the temptations against chastity. Teach me to be a loyal friend. Allow me to be relaxed as I form new friendships with people of the opposite sex. Make me strong enough to keep the commitments you have entrusted to me now so that I will be able to keep the life long commitment of marriage if I am called down that path. And continue to offer your Holy Spirit to those married couples who are dear to me: especially my parents, grandparents, and others who have shared the graces of the sacrament of Matrimony with me. Remain with me always. I make this prayer in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ST PATRICK'S YEAR OF TRUST

To trust in the Lord means more than believing in who he is and what he says; the word here for trust can also mean "to have confidence in." Having confidence in something means having an assurance that leads to action. Trust in the Lord is a faith that lets us boldly serve. This confidence should infuse our whole being.

All of our knowledge, wisdom, and will should be saturated in the action-producing assurance of the Lord.

When we lean on our own understanding, we trust our own knowledge and discernment to support us through life. As Jeremiah 17:9 tells us, the problem with this is that "the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?" Our own sinful nature can't be counted on.

But new hearts are given by Christ through the Holy Spirit. We cultivate God-trusting hearts by meditation on Scripture, time in prayer, and companionship with other believers. As these things tune our hearts to the Spirit living in us, we will rely less on ourselves and more on Christ, serving him in good times and bad, in sickness and in health, in the battle with sin and in the peace of his rest.



FR FRANCIS JORDAN SDS

"So, courage and confidence! The Lord strengthen you and Bless you and your work"



POPE FRANCIS' MAY 2019 INTENTION

The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.



A warm welcome to our parishioners and visitors who are celebrating the Eucharist with us this weekend at St Patrick's Parish.

76 York St East Gosford NSW 2250



ST PATRICK'S PARISH GOSFORD **PASTORAL CARE**

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PARISH OFFICE

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8:30am - 4:30pm 8:30am - 1:00pm

Colleen Kirk

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Youth Ministry: Ph:

Email:

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Christian Brothers' Community

Frederick Street, East Gosford Br Peter Hester cfc [Community Leader] Br Rod Shoebridge cfc

CHURCH OPEN DAILY 8:30AM – 4:30PM.

STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES

Gosford:			
Monday:	9:00am	Thursday	9:00am
Tuesday:	9:00am	Friday:	12 noon
Wednesday:	11:30am	Saturday:	9:00am

WEEKEND MASSES

Gosford: Saturday Vigil: Sunday:

5:00pm 7:30am 9:00am 6:00pm

Children's Liturgy: Durina 9:00am Mass Each Sunday of School Term.

Somersby, 30 Lutana Road: Saturday Vigil: 6:30pm

Spencer, Wiseman's Ferry Rd: 1st Sunday Monthly: 4:00pm

OTHER MASSES

Filipino Mass 2nd Sunday Monthly: 12 noon Korean Mass Monthly: [Eng: Peter 0409-508-123] 6:00pm **ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH**

Before the Blessed Sacrament

Mon:	8:30am-9:00am	Thur:	8:30am-9:00am
Tues:	8:30am-9:00am	Fri:	12:30pm-3:00pm
Wed:	11:00am-11:30am	Sat:	8:00am
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Gosford:

Mon-Thur: during Adoration 1st Friday of Month Prior to Mass Other Fridays Saturday: Sunday:

11:30am 12:30pm 8:30am and 4:30pm. 7:00am and 5:30pm

St Francis of Assisi 30 Lutana Road, Somersby: Saturday after Vigil: 7:30pm

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

After weekday Masses and 3:00pm Friday

ROSARIES

Weekday	
Monday, Tuesday Thursday	
Wednesday	
Friday	

Saturdays Monthly

8:05am 10:35am 11:35am

8.05am: 1st - For Priests & Reliaious. 8.05am 3rd Saturday - For Mothers & Abortion. 8.05am 4th Saturday - For Persecuted Christians and their Persecutors.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Last Wednesday of each Month at 12 noon

ADORATION AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL Located on Chapel Lane at the Admin Centre

8:30am - 3:30pm 9:00am - 3:30pm Monday to Thursday Friday

GROUP MEETINGS

Bible Study Lectio Divina: Mondays at Wednesday at Bible Study Monday RCIA: in Admin Centre Contact the Parish Office to register interest. menALIVE:

10:00am in the Jordan Room. 7:00 pm in the Jordan Room 7:30pm Tuesdays. 7:30pm commencing with Mass 1st Tuesday of Month 9:00am 4th Tuesday Monthly

9:30am twice monthly,

in Jordan Room

Cancer Prayers:

Grief & Loss, Prayer & Support: 1st Thursday Monthly 2pm in Jordan Room Craft Group - Friday each week of School Term 9:30am - 12:00pm



YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Mass Time & Place	Intention	
Sat 4/5	9:00a Gosford 5:00p Gosford 6:30p Somersby	Holy Souls + Remembrance Patrick Holohan Parish intentions + Anniversary Fred Muscat	
Sun 5/5	7:30a Gosford 9:00a Gosford 6:00p Gosford	+ Remembrance Lloyd Woods + Anniversary Ronald Freeman + Anniversaries Anne Vanross & Brian Wilkinson Parish Intentions	
Mon 6/5	9:00a Gosford	+ 6th Anniversary Deborah Marquet	
Tue 7/5	9:00a Gosford	+ Remembrance John Muir, Therese & Miceal Murtagh	
Wed 8/5	11:30a Gosford	+ Anniversary Mary Jane Buhagiar	
Fri 10/5	12:00p Gosford	+ Remembrance Geoff Giddings	
Sat 11/5	9:00a Gosford 5:00p Gosford 6:30p Somersby	 + Remembrance Keevers, Knight & Merchant families + Remembrance Liberator Risi Parish Intentions 	
Sun 12/5	7:30a Gosford 6:00p Gosford	+ Remembrance Laura McGuire & Nancy Kirk + Anniversary Anthony Fernandes	

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Brian Graham, Arlene Peters, Kath Ryan, John Burg, Peter & Lena O'Donovan, Tina Learwood, Allan Francis, Brian

Loo, Bev Meehan, Michael Graham, Glenn Mills, Frank McGuinness, Angela Cunningham, Simon Low, Christopher Graham, Frances Cannon, John Riley, Margaret Gunnlson, Sonia Cummings, Anna-Marie Rowan, Denise Smith, Melita Waters, Judy Wennerbom, Helen Bligh, Scott McKinnon, Mark Pope.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Marea Watkins, Janelle Hickey, Bryan Marks.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Jim & Mary Ryan, John Van Yzendoorn, Tim Piper, Harry Remfry, Ken Caves, Jim Hastings, Helen Clement, Ric McGuire, Sarah Allen.

REMEMBRANCES:

Jack & Doris Bourke, Ronald Freeman, Friquet Family, Bob, Josie & Dian Burgin. Flornce Ranya, Frank Rozmanec, Colin Woods, Keevers, Knight and Merchant Families Tony Lowe, Michael Kokegei.

CONDOLENCES:

We offer our sincere condolences to the family of Edna Lay who recently passed. Edna's Requiem will be held at St Patrick's on Friday, May 10 @ 1.30pm.

Marea Watkins has also passed and so offer our sincere condolences to the family.

We offer condolences to Natalie Mills and all the Hickey family on the passing of Natalie's sister Janelle Hickey.

We hold you all in our thoughts and in our prayers.

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

CANDLE CLEANING IN THE CHURCH VOLUNTEERS FOUND

The wonderful Clem and Marie O'Donovan have been faithfully cleaning the Church Candles for many years and need to retire. The parish owes them a big thank you for their selfless work over the years. We now have found some volunteers to take on this task of keeping the candles spic n span, so thank you to those people.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS 2018/19.

This next programme will commence earlier than usual with its introduction in May to the enquirers who are interested in becoming Catholic at our 2020 Easter Vigil Mass.

As we are on the precipice of commencing a new programme, now is the time to ask if there is anyone else who would like to take up the Catholic faith, or perhaps has been baptised Catholic but not received any further sacraments, to contact either Fr Greg or the Parish Office to determine the full details of the process. If you know of someone who may be interested, please let them know, as we would be happy to speak with them.

A SPECIAL MASS CELEBRATING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARIES; SUNDAY MAY 26, 9:00 AM

FR GEORGE KOLODZIEJ & FR TADEUSZ SEREMET were ordained as Priests 25 years ago this May! To celebrate the momentous occasion for two Priests who have spent so much time involved in our Parish. St Patrick's is having a special Mass on Sunday, May 26 at 9:00 am, followed by morning tea in the hall.

Please join with us to celebrate this wonderful occasion by attending Mass at 9:00 am con-celebrated by Fr Greg, Fr George and Fr Tadeusz. You will then be able to gather in the hall where you will have to the opportunity to speak with them and help them celebrate.



IN YOUR PARISH OF ST PATRICK'S THIS WEEK			
Sunday May 5	7:30am 9:00am 6:00pm	CWF Appeal Collection at all Masses during May Commissioning of new Altar Servers, Plus Sunday Breckie after Mass. Youth Group Meeting in Jordan Room after 6:00 pm Mass	
Monday May 6	6:30pm	Fundraising Committee Meeting in Admin Centre	
Tuesday May 7	7:30pm 7:30pm	Men Alive Group Mass and meeting following in Jordan Room Confirmation Class at the School	
Wednesday May 8	5:30pm	Confirmation Class at Somersby	
Thursday May 9	3:30pm 7:30pm	Confirmation Classes in the School Confirmation Classes in the School	
Friday May 10	9:00am 12:30pm	St Patrick's School Mothers day Mass Adoration in St Patrick's from 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm	
Saturday May 11	10:15am	Choir Practice in Church	

KIDS CORNER

PINT SIZED PADDIES

NEXT EVENT FRIDAY JUNE 7.

In the School Hall 7:00 pm. In the school hall. Enquiries to Melissa 0434 251 481

SCHOOL HAS RESUMED

We wish all children and staff at our local schools a successful time learning and studying this coming term.

KIDS ARE AMAZING

History will judge us by the difference we make in the everyday lives of children. Nelson Mandela.

Children learn more from what you are, than what you teach. W.E.B. Du Bois

Even if people are still very young, they shouldn't be prevented from saying what they think. Anne Frank

ST PATRICK'S PARISH YOUTH GROUP NEXT YOUTH GROUP MEETING

Sunday, May 5 after 6:00 pm Mass in the Jordan Room. We have a new and energetic group of young people who are meeting regularly to commune in a spiritual environment to engage in fellowship and positive activities. All youth are most welcome.

COMMISSIONING NEW ALTAR SERVERS

We are very pleased to welcome into ministry 14 new Altar Servers who will be commissioned at Masses this weekend. We thank them for nominating for this ministry, and their parents for their support of the child's desire to assist at Mass.

YOUTH BAND

The Youth Band are welcoming new members, so if you are musically inclined why not join the band. If you are interested make contact with one of the existing band members or Fr Greg.

SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE SHOP



After 9:00am Mass in the Jordan Room.

All proceeds to Charities

PROCEEDS FROM JANUARY TO APRIL 2019.

Home on The Central Coast	\$200.00
Fr. Chris Riley 'YOTS'	\$300.00
Frs Tadeusz & Sebastian farewell	\$300.00
St Pat's Sunday Breakfast Team	\$200.00
St Pat's Youth support	\$200.00
Total	\$1,200.00

GENERAL NEWS SPIRITUAL HEALING APPOINTMENTS

SR MARGARET SCULLY RSC

Sr Scully will be in the Parish on Saturday May 11 and is available for spiritual healing appointments. To book some time with Sr Scully please phone 9810 2499 to make an appointment.



A BIG THANK YOU

Tilly Tip has been working for a long time helping prepare the Mass slide presentations and she is moving away St Pat's Parish area, Tilly will be missed greatly. Thank you Tilly for your hard work and vigilance. We would also like to thank the ever-helpful Mary Brown, Helen Moore & Audrey McMahon for their time and talents in preparing special stoles for our Confirmation candidates to wear at their service on June 2. It was a very time consuming task and we truly appreciate the effort it took.

THE CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

LAST CHANCE TO HELP YOUR PARISH AND OBTAIN A TAX DEDUCTION IN THE 2019/20 FINANCIAL YEAR!

ST PATRICK'S IS \$16,000 SHORT OF THE \$33,017 ANNUAL CWF QUOTA PAYABLE TO THE DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY.

"How marvellous it would be, if at the end of the day, each of us could say: today I have performed an act of charity towards others" - Pope Francis

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY IN SUPPORT OF YOUR PARISH.

As the Charitable Works Fund final appeal in the 2018/19 financial year commences on this weekend, could you please come prepared, during May, to give in your usual generous way, as we have to meet our quota shortfall. All donations are 100% tax deductible.

Supporting the CWF puts your gift to work in your local faith community.

We are so grateful to our community who demonstrate their love for their neighbours by generously supporting the Charitable Works Fund.

The CWF works every day by providing the funds to ensure that there are trained CatholicCare Pastoral Care Practitioners in the hospitals in our Diocese.

The CWF works every day by providing the funds to create the resources and train catechists (Catholic Special Religious Education Teachers) at public schools in our Diocese.

The CWF works every day by providing additional funds to two schools with students with special needs.

The CWF works every day by providing funds to those who are deaf or hard of hearing through the Ephpheta Centre.

When you give to the CWF, you can be assured that your donation is working for the faith and the people of the Diocese of Broken Bay.

Donations \$2 and over are tax-deductible.

MOTHERS DAY



We welcome all Mothers to come to Mass on Sunday, May 12. Fr Greg will bless all mothers at all Mass and give them a small gift in appreciation of their dedication of motherhood.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Forms are being prepared in the office for the election of new Parish Council Members. The forms will be distributed at Mass on the 1st Sunday of June and will be collected again on the 2nd Sunday of June. Please put some thought into who you believe will make a good member of our Parish Council and vote accordingly.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

At the end of May Fr Greg will appoint new members of the Parish Finance Committee who will support him and the Parish in the finances of the Parish.

DENISE IS ON HOLIDAYS

The Parish Office will close at 1:00pm on Fridays from May 10 to Friday June 7. Denise will be back on Deck on Friday June 14.

WELCOME CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2019.

At all Masses this weekend we will have present our Confirmation candidates who will be blessed by Fr Greg as they undertake the journey preparation to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday June 2. We ask you to please remember them in your prayers.

A LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF BROKEN BAY

FROM VERY REV DR DAVID RANSON, DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR DIOCESAN FILIPINO CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY: A limited number of copies of this letter are available at the foyer today for those who are interested.

THANK YOU FROM JOISIE AND IAN MCGUINNESS



Thank you to our parish family for your kindness and expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement.

We are so blessed to be part of this community.

Josie & Ian McGuinness



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS' MEETING

SUNDAY JUNE 16 @ 4.30PM. Fr Greg calls all Eucharistic Ministers to a meeting with him on Sunday June 16 to prepare for the commissioning of all in this ministry on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday June 23 at all Masses. Each minister should be aware that attendance at the meeting on June 16 is very relevant to the commissioning, and that Eucharistic Ministers who aren't commissioned on that day will be unable to serve in the ministry until they are. Could anyone who considers either of these dates a problem for them please contact the Parish Office.

FIRST READING

ACTS 5:27-32. 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. V.2

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.

At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

The Lord listened and Had pity.

The Lord came to my help.

For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;

O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING

RV 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation - everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

LUKE 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

JN 21:1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord,' Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

1st Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-45 2nd Reading: Apoc 7:9,14-17 Gospel: John 10:14

COMMENTARY

The court scene in the first reading describes apostles who are courageous witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus and heralds to the world of this wondrous event. Peter, acting as their spokesperson, launches into a short sermon consisting of the fundamental apostolic proclamation. He situates Jesus squarely within the tradition of Israel by identifying the God who exalts Jesus as the God of the ancestors. Furthermore, he claims that the exalted Jesus is leader and saviour, two roles traditionally ascribed to Moses. Finally, he maintains that the opportunities for repentance and forgiveness of sin, for which Israel awaited, will be granted through Jesus, who was crucified but now exalted.

This is a psalm of thanksgiving for deliverance from the place of death. The allusion to death can also be an allusion to illness, to depression, or to any serious misfortune that can threaten life. Whatever the actual danger might have been, it is now past; God intervened and saved the petitioner. In addition to the actual calamity, the psalmist is also concerned with enemies who would take delight in the misfortune. The prayer asks to be preserved from this insult as well. Following the initial plea is an acknowledgment of deliverance. God has heard the petition and has granted the request for rescue. The psalmist calls on others to give thanks

MASS	VIGIL 5:00	7:30am	9:00am	6:00pm	Somersby -6:3
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DATE	11.05.19	12.05.19	12.05.19	12.05.19	11.05.19
Audio/Visual	Cheryl Parry	Glad Williams	Roy Kim	Joe Tropiano	Melissa Monaghan
Acolytes	Sam Giddings	Eunice Dal Busco	Peter Julius	Peter Forbes	
	Peter Young	Alan Pont	Peter Cho	Patrick Nicholls	
ectors	Jan Blanch	Anne Lovett	Keith Quinn	Laura Mellor	Judy Grenfell
	Terry Cooke	Josie McGuinness	Chris Paget	Robyn Nevin	Joanne Comensoli
Commentator	Jan Blanch	Ron Burgess	Frances Mathey	Cheryl Walsh	Charlene Xuereb
Extraordinary	Terry Cooke	Ian McGuinness	Robyn McBride	Paul Russotti	Alyce Luci
Ministers of	Rosemary Lee	Joy McHugh	Liz Malik	Sherree Sullivan	Michael Monaghan
The Eucharist	Elaine Third	Anna Neale	Frances Mathey	Rosa Tropiano	
	Tilly Timp	Gerard Price	Margaret Mathieson	Patricia Anderson	
	Nicole Murphy	Lucy Price		Lyn Beglin	
Altar	Lachlan Cormack	Laura Eager	S Shedden, P Yoon	Luke Russotti	Dakota Xuereb
Servers	Taz Parry	Sebastian Eager	Cormac Brady		Mia Xuereb
	Sam Cormack		Joanna Tony		Flowers:
			Lorenzo Arango		Carmen Galea
COUNTERS	ALTAR LINEN	ALTAR SOCIETY	CHILDREN'S	PARISH BUS	HOSPITAL
May 13	Hazel Walsh	Fran Thompson	LITURGY	Driver:	VISITATION
Diana Addis Neryl Tyrrell	Collect May 7 Return May 11	Barbar Mills Roslyn McMahon	Joanne Ford	John Donnelly Helper:	Johnson Fernandes
May 20		Audrey Morris	Katie Moss Sun May 12	Brenda Donnelly	Paul Hussein
May 20 Margaret Hunter David Slingsby		Sat May 11			

for God's holiness.

In John's vision, angels, living creatures and elders surround the divine throne. The song sung is a hymn of praise. The seven prerogatives listed (v.12) are conferred upon the Lamb. Since this investiture takes place in heaven, and those around the throne represent all of creation, one can conclude that the rule conferred upon the Lamb is cosmic and universal. The theology behind the vision is more specifically theological than Christological. God is seated on the throne, the Lamb is not. Nor is the Lamb identified with God. Finally, any divine attribute that the Lamb possesses has been given by God. Worship of and devotion to Christ must be understood in terms of his relationship with God.

The gospel opens with an account of a miraculous catch of fish into which is woven a second report, that of a meal on the shore (vv.1-14). This is followed by an exchange between Jesus and Peter (vv. 15-19). It begins and ends with the announcement that the risen Jesus revealed himself to his disciples (vv. 1, 14). Here recognition comes through Jesus' actions, not through his words. Only after they pulled in the multitude of fish did anyone recognise him. A meal prepared by the risen Jesus certainly has eucharistic or at least eschatological connotations. Jesus' exchange with Peter has links with Peter's earlier denial of him. Three times he denied Jesus; three times he is called upon to declare his love. He is then commissioned to assume the role of shepherd in the place of Jesus.

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THE SALVATORIANS INVITE ALL YOUTH TO A NIGHT OF



