

Skit for Sunday,  
**A20 Skit, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter,**  
Third Sunday of Easter

Based on the following Gospel:  
New American Bible [Luke 24:13-35](#)

**“The Road to Emmaus”**

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Characters

**Narrator**

**Jesus**

**Cleopas**

**Friend**

**Mary Magdalene and Apostle Bartholomew**

(the other Upper Room people: Joanna, Mary, mother of James and other Apostles Simon Peter, James, the son of Zebedee, John, brother of James, Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James, son of Alphaeus, Thaddeus, Simon the Cananean,

**Janet**

**Carlos**

(If you do not have players, you can have two children go to different areas and pretend they are the different people.)

**Two at stations**

**Two CROP walk**

**Two Knights of Columbus**

**Two children with canned goods and clothing**

**Narrator**

Two men left Jerusalem to walk seven miles home to their village of Emmaus. Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him.

**Jesus**

**(wearing a sheet that shields half of his face)**

What are you discussing as you walk along?

**(They stopped, looking very sad and downcast.)**

**Friend**

The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people.

**Cleopas**

Our chief priests and rulers both handed Jesus over to a sentence of death and crucified him.

**Friend**

We are sad because we hoped he was the messiah and would redeem Israel. It has been three days since he was crucified on the cross.

**Cleopas**

This morning our friends, Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary, the mother of James went to the tomb and could not find his body. Then they came back and told us that angels said that Jesus was alive.

**Friend**

Later, two other friends, Peter and John went to the tomb. They did not see Jesus either.

**Jesus**

Oh you with troubled hearts, the Messiah had to suffer these things and enter into his glory to redeem Israel. Let me explain the scriptures so you will understand.

**Narrator**

So Jesus began with Moses and repeated the words of the prophets in the scriptures that told that the Messiah had to die and rise again. Then they reached the village of Emmaus.

**Jesus**

I'll be going a few more miles down the road.

**Cleopas**

Stay with us.

**Friend**

Yes, please stay. It is getting dark and the day is almost over.

**Narrator**

So Jesus went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them.

**(chairs for 3; bread and wine on table)**

**Jesus**

Take and eat this, for this is my body.

**Narrator**

With these words, their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus. Then he disappeared from their sight.

**Cleopas**

Wasn't your heart burning within you while he spoke to us along the road?

**Friend**

Yes. It warmed my heart to talk with him. Jesus explained the scriptures so we could easily understand.

**Cleopas**

Let's go back to Jerusalem and explain it to his eleven disciples.

**Narrator**

So they set out at once walking back to Jerusalem. After two hours they got to the upper room where the eleven and others were gathered. Mary Magdalene and the others met them at the door.

**Mary Magdalene & Apostle Bartholomew**

The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!

**(Going inside)****Cleopas**

We believe you. Jesus walked with us and he talked with us and explained the scriptures.

**Friend**

Then we invited him for supper. We recognized him when he broke the bread. Then he disappeared.

**Narrator**

Many years later at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Charlotte, NC two children are talking about today's Gospel as they walk around the church picking up trash.

**Janet**

I surely do wish Jesus would come and walk with us.

**Carlos**

Yes, amigo. That would be awesome to have Jesus by our sides wherever we go.

**Narrator**

Then all of a sudden, Jesus appeared right there between Janet and Carlos. They were truly amazed. They recognized him right away and knelt down in front of him.

**Janet**

Jesus, thank you for joining us.

**Carlos**

Wow! We are honored.

**Jesus**

Remember the words I said to you. (Matthew 25:40) What ever you do for others, you do for me. (Matthew 18:20) Whenever two or three people gather together in my name, I am there with them.

**Jesus**

**(Takes them up the steps to the highest point in front of the altar)**

Stand up here. I'll show you.

**(Jesus goes between the students who are facing Station Number 5 Simon Helps Carry the Cross. This can be the real station or a poster with a picture and the words underneath.)**

Two students are praying the Stations of the Cross. See here I am right between them. Just as Simon helped me carry the cross, I help each of you when you have problems. Just ask me to help.

**(Table with two high school students planning CROP walk. CROP WALK poster.)**

Two high school students are planning the CROP walk to raise money to feed the poor. Here I am waving to you.

**(Two men talking on cell phones. Knights of Columbus BINGO sign and Tootsie Roll Drive sign)**

Two Knights of Columbus men are getting volunteers to staff BINGO night next week to earn money to pay off the Church mortgage and to stand outside stores to give away Tootsie Rolls in return for donations to help the mentally handicapped. Here I am with them.

**(One child brings 2 cans of vegetables, another child brings a t-shirt and blue jeans – Sign with words Share Sunday Corner, One Box labeled Canned Goods, Another labeled Clothing)**

Two little children are bringing canned goods and clothing they have outgrown and put their donations in the Share Sunday Corner to help the poor. Here I am with them.

**(Then Jesus goes back and stands between Janet and Carlos.)**

**Janet**

All the things we do at St. John Neumann to help others, we are also doing for you.

**Jesus**

Exactly.

**Carlos**

Whenever we get together in your name to pray, to help others, to learn about you, then you are there with us.

**Jesus**

Yes. That is true.

**Carlos**

What if we are all alone?

**Jesus**

(Matthew 28:20) Remember that you are never alone. I will always be with you even until the end of the world. I leave you my peace. My peace I give you.

**Narrator**

At that Jesus disappeared. Janet and Carlos finished picking up trash and went home to share their Good News with their families and friends. Just like the men walking to Emmaus, you, the people of St. John Neumann Church, still have Jesus walking with you today.

**Suggestions for Music**

**Ask Choir to sing one or all of these songs during Mass. Or have the cast sing one of them.**

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**Ah Lord God**

Music and Lyrics: Kay Chance

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Ah Lord God, Thou hast made the heavens  
And the earth by Thy great power  
Ah Lord God, Thou hast made the heavens  
And the earth by Thine outstretched arm.

Nothing is too difficult for Thee  
Nothing is too difficult for Thee  
Great and mighty God  
Great in counsel and mighty in deed

Nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing  
Nothing is too difficult for Thee

**Celebrate Jesus, Celebrate**

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Celebrate Jesus! Celebrate!  
Celebrate Jesus! Celebrate!  
Celebrate Jesus! Celebrate!  
Celebrate Jesus! Celebrate!

He is risen. He is risen.  
And he lives forevermore.

He is risen. He is risen.  
 Come on and celebrate. (Repeat 2 more times in last verse)  
 The resurrection of our Lord.

*“Emmaus Love” lyrics by New Song (singing group) on their album “More Life”*

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Their hearts burned within them as they walked  
 And as they talked about  
 All the things they had seen  
 So many questions on their mind  
 But their eyes were blind  
 To what His death would mean

Who is this Man who walks with them  
 And explains the mysteries  
 Could it be that He's the risen One  
 Come to set them free

[Chorus]

My Emmaus Love everyday He walks with me  
 Emmaus love everyday He talks with me  
 Emmaus love He's always there for me  
 My Emmaus love

He's the light that helps me find my way  
 Every step I take  
 He knows my every need  
 I hear His voice speaking to my heart  
 The very deepest part  
 Saying follow where I lead

Who is this Man who walks with me  
 And explains the mysteries  
 I know that He's the risen One  
 Come to set me free

[Bridge]

So many roads and choices to make  
 So many answers to find  
 I can't imagine living one day  
 With out You in my life