Dear Padre,

I thought detraction was a sin only if what you're saying about someone isn't true, but my priest says it's a sin even if it is true. What do you say?

We commit the sin of detraction when we, "without objectively valid reason, disclose another's faults and failings to persons who did not know them" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2477).

Part of respecting human dignity is to recognize that others have a right to their good name and reputation. We ought not to damage those goods

carelessly, which is what happens when we engage in detraction. We slander or commit calumny when we speak or spread negative falsehoods about someone (see CCC 2479). But detraction can happen even when we speak the truth.

Sometimes it's objectively necessary to speak harsh truths about another person. For example, when we observe an adult engaged in inappropriate behavior with a child, we report it to the authorities because protection of vulnerable children outweighs concern over any adult's reputation.



So truth-telling when clear communication of the truth is necessary is not detraction, even if it does damage another's reputation. However, carelessly sharing a true story or detail that doesn't need telling is detraction, and it's sinful.

> Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Funcis

We know that slander always kills. This "diabolical cancer" that arises from the desire to destroy the reputation of a person also attacks the ecclesial body and seriously damages it when, as a result of malicious interests or to cover up one's own inadequacies, people unite to denigrate someone.

Calendar

Monday APRIL 19 Easter Weekday Acts 6:8–15 Jn 6:22–29

Tuesday APRIL 20 Easter Weekday Acts 7:51—8:1a Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday APRIL 21 Easter Weekday Acts 8:1b-8 Jn 6:35-40

Thursday APRIL 22 Easter Weekday Acts 8:26-40 Jn 6:44-51

Friday APRIL 23 Easter Weekday Acts 9:1–20 Jn 6:52–59

Saturday APRIL 24 Easter Weekday Acts 9:31–42 Jn 6:60–69

Sunday APRIL 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 4:8–12 1 Jn 3:1–2 Jn 10:11–18



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St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission Pastor: Reverend Fr. Davíd Mílton

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

<u>St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions</u> Apr 17th Sat 4 pm Int donor Apr 18th Sun 9am Int donor Apr 18th 6:00 pm Parish SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Both before Mass and by Appointment Mon 8am+ louisvine Fayard Wednesday 6pm +James Dunn Thurs 8am Int donor Fri 8am Int donor April 24th Sat 6 pm Int donor April 25th Sun 9 am Parish April 25th 6pm Int donor <u>Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule.</u> Sun 7:30 am Jimmy Ammons, Jimmy Ammon

LUKE 2

<u>From Father David's Desk...</u>

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

What Will It Take?

 $\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{hat}}$ will it take for the early followers of Jesus to recognize him in their midst? Today's Gospel recounts yet another episode of confusion and unbelief. They had an extraordinary experience that startled and terrified them. Even though other disciples reported having come upon the risen Lord, they didn't realize that it was also he they were encountering. Such an unusual experience might have left them doubtful about the Lord's presence, but the reports of others should have thrown light on the reality of their own experiences. Are they like Thomas, who was unwilling to take the word of others but demanded his own tangible experience of the risen Lord?

However, every account of the risen Lord's appearance reports that his identity is initially hidden. They only knew that it was him when he revealed himself. Mary recognized him when he called her name (John 20:16); the couple in Emmaus knew him in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:31); even Paul on the road to Damascus only understood who the Lord was when he revealed his name (Acts 9:3).

And what about us? What will it take for us to recognize the risen Lord in our midst? Do we also need concrete evidence? Will it only happen if we have a meal with him? But isn't that exactly what the Eucharist is—a meal with the risen Lord?

For Reflection

• Our faith tells us that the risen Lord is in our midst. Pray that you might

recognize him in your family members or in your workplace

• What can you do for the needy in your society with whom Christ identifies?

WITH PRAYERS FR. DAVID

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: Easter
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Total: \$3,031.00; Children: \$10.04; Ach: \$575. Sunday: Identifiable \$1,646.00 Loose:
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\$790.00. Sunday: Identifiable\$290.00;
loose: \$67.00; Total: \$363.00

<u>School Subsidy for 2021:</u> Students attending a Catholic school have the opportunity to get a tuition subsidy from their parish church. Please get the subsidy form from your child's school and then meet with me. Thanks.

Dispensation for Sunday Mass Attendance: The dispensation for Sunday Mass attendance has been cancelled by the bishop.

House Blessing: During the Easter Season Father would like to visit your home and bless your home with Holy Water. Please call the office to set it up. 228-832-2560 or 228-346-3578 (Father's cell phone

<u>Knights of Columbus Easter Basket:</u> Won by Marlene Moran. Thanks to all who participated.

Lizana Light: For more information, please contact Donna and Rachael. Thank you. **Upcoming second collection**: April 24th and 25th, catholic home missions Appeal

¹ WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS [†] PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. DAVID WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.

MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat Apr 17 th 4pm	Mike West		
Sun Apr 18 th OLC 7:30am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun Apr 18 th 9 am	Kim wood		
Sun Apr 18 th 6pm	Judith Martinez		
Sat April 24 th 4pm	Mike West		
Sun April 25th OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun April 25 th 9 am	Beverly Saucier		
Sun April 25th 6pm	Kathleen Cuevas		

Easter Flowers. Thanks to the following for their donations for Easter flowers for the altar: Daniel Squillante, Leeann Booth, Wanda Brignac, Sherry Rutland, Boots Moran, Sherrie DeMello, William and Nancy Burke, Jr., Barbara Thomas, Gerry and Kay VanPelt, Ellen and Mike West, W.C. and Lenell King, George M. Jacob, M. H. Dickson, William Peleaz, Boots Moran, Wilson, Luke Cueves, Alice J.Ladnier. In Memory of: All Souls in Purgatory Jerry Rutland, Carla Thomas, Fred & Beulah Jacob, Curvis & Juanita & Frieda, Louis & WM Burke & Laura & Aurthur, Charles and Kathryn Van Pelt, Herman & Nora Mueting, Helen & Merle West, Rosa & Walter Moss, Mary Jo Nunez, Phyllis Breaux, Dantyler & Lee Ladner, Chester & Genera King, William Demello and Elizabeth Boudreaux, Richard Ladnier, Jinnie Ladnier Farley.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive preparation for marriage. One's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding

<u>MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS</u>: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well

as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

Garage Sale: April 24th, 7am-4:30 pm.

Donations for Father David's order:

Thank you for the donations for Father David's order. We were able to collect \$2,639.00. – Father appreciates your love and support for his order.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Dube) Mcgill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaise, John &, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner and Matt Dubission; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Quevas Emmie Tubbs, Wally Clifford, T.J Moran, Robin Shamplo.