



Divine Mercy Sunday April 19, 2020

"Blessed are those who have not
seen and have believed."
— John 20:29b

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Acts 2:42-47

Psalm — Psalm 118

Second Reading — 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel — John 20:19-31



Eva Jean Davis, Jodie Lencocki, Tommy/Traci Avalon,
Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon,
Frank/Linda Develle, James Doddridge,
Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Janis Hamblin,
Lindsay Harwood, Steve Musil, Ursin Oubre Jr,

Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Kenny Skellie **4/19**; Bill Singletary,
Glynn and Tonya Long, Rita Reed, Betsy Carraway, Eugene
Humphery, James Lee, Jr., Charity Long, Joseph Perlick, Irene
Rangel, Bill Rush, Lillian Stachura, Epigenia Tartinez,
Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, Wendy Williams **4/12**;
John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, James/Marva Brown, Lucrecia
Gibson, Janie Keary, John Laughlin, Helen Machost,
Nettles/Pollard Families, Doug Simmons, Pam Smith, Brenda
Williams, Alexander Young **4/5**; Roger/Vickie Venable and Family,
Rodney Hipp, David Alcorn, William Gipson, Gabriel Rigby, Gwen
Roberson, Terrance Ruhland, Barbe Trudeau **3/29**;
Homebound/Nursing Homes: Rosemary Anderson, Adelaida
Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Kenny Evans, Abron Haymond, Peggy
Huffman, Aurora Ramirez, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr,
Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich; **Priests/Religious:** Brian
Carroll, Dan Gallagher, Sam Messina, Lenin Vargas, Retired
Bishop Joseph Latino. **Persons wanting to be added to the
Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will
appear for one month.**

**PRAYERS OF SAFETY AND HEALTH FOR ALL DOCTORS,
NURSES, AIDS, PT'S AND ALL THOSE ON THE FRONT
LINES CARING FOR ALL WITH COVID-19!**



Prayers for Safety for all service men and
women at home and abroad, who give of
their lives daily in order that we may enjoy
our freedom: Preston Blocker, David
Brooks, William Aaron Burks, Michael P.
Collins, Nathan Darnell, Ty Develle, Lee Greco, Erling
Gresham, Tanner Hutchins, Steven J. Jackson, Michael
Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Derek Lieding, Anna/Malcolm
Lowe, Michael Machost Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake
Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, Nathan Waltman
and Austin White. You may place a picture of the individual
on our military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

Sacrificial Giving this past week:

Budget Needed Weekly	\$6,000.00
Regular Tithe	\$3,697.92
Online	\$1,934.00
"New Life" Capital Campaign	\$655.00
Online	\$150.00
Holy Land	\$105.00
Rice Bowl	\$65.00
Education of Future Priests	\$28.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$5.00
Refund of Expenses(MFCC)	\$641.15

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**April Month of:
Eucharist**



DAILY READINGS:

Saturday, April 18 - Within the Octave of Easter
Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday, April 19 – Divine Mercy Sunday;

Julian Calendar Easter –

**Kirstie Schwindaman Birthday Intention; Mary & Stanley
Shavel**

Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9;
Jn 20:19-31

Monday, April 20 –

Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday, April 21 – St. Anselm; Yom Hashoah

(Holocaust Remembrance Day) – Joan M. Latham

Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday, April 22 – Administrative Professionals

Day; Earth Day - Maria Christine Wiggins

Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday, April 23 – St. George; St. Adalbert

Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday, April 24 – St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen;

National Arbor Day

Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, April 25 – St. Mark

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Sunday, April 26 – Third Sunday of Easter –

Shane Hutchins Birthday Intention & Billy Hutchins

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21;

Lk 24:13-35

Question of the Week:

Can I identify with Doubting Thomas, at times unsure of my faith? In what ways has Jesus given me peace to overcome the anxieties in my life?

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

We celebrate God's mercy today – that gift of compassionate forgiveness that is offered to all. For generations people had turned away from God, failing to respect the law or the prophets. Yet God sent us the Son, who took upon himself the sins of the world in order to redeem us all. Let our presence today be a sign of our gratitude as we lift up our hearts and voice to the author of divine mercy.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

A week out from Easter Sunday we have the opportunity to listen to three responses to the Resurrection event. In Acts we hear of the communal practices of the early church. Peter praises God for the Living hope: Jesus brought to all who believe. John tells the well-known story of Thomas, who needed to see the resurrected Jesus before he would believe, and Jesus' subsequent blessing of those who believe without seeing. Let us listen and believe.

EASTER

It is the hour to rend thy chains, the blossom time of souls.

—Katharine Lee Bates

April Prayer Intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis

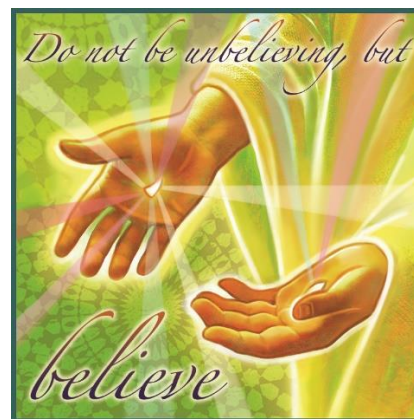
Universal Evangelization: Freedom from Addiction – We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

**St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:
Vaccine and Cure for the Coronavirus-19
and Peace in the World!**

GET REAL!

Those of us who flatter ourselves that we have a “realistic” view of the world may listen to the first reading today and say, “Get real!” when we hear Luke's account of the early, Elysian days of the Christian movement. All seems to be rosy, lots of wonders are performed, everyone shares selflessly, they eat together in “exultation,” and the Lord added to their numbers? Well, who wouldn't be attracted to a group like this? From the wind that swept through the upper room at Pentecost as the Spirit of God blew over the face of the waters in Genesis, and the fire that appeared over each disciple as the light appeared at the dawn of creation, Luke's intent in Acts is to show a new creation, a restoration of creation's original goodness through the working of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit who continues to make us into the Body of Christ. We may occasionally, like Thomas in the Gospel, say, “Get real!” but our ultimate reality in the Spirit is to work continually to make our Christian community a new creation, one in which others will find God's joy and beauty.

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—St. Catherine of Siena

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