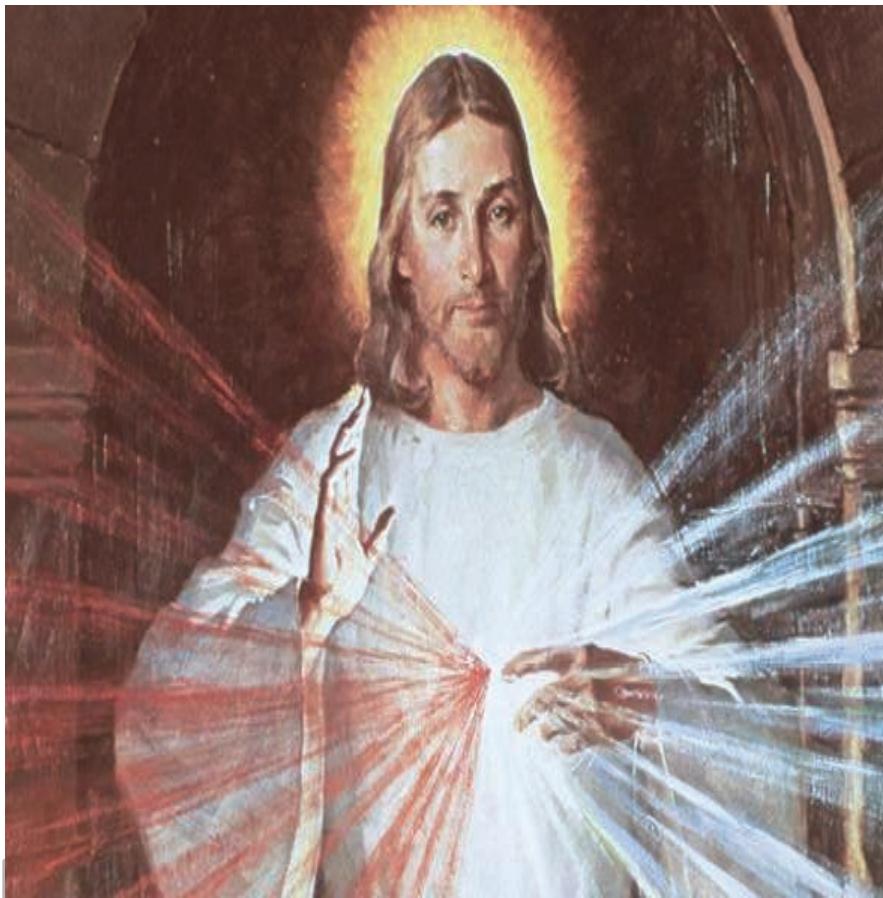


Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023



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Readings for Second Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say, "His mercy endures forever."

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

I was hard pressed and was falling, but the LORD helped me. My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior. The joyful shout of victory in the tents of the just:

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Second Reading: 1 Pt 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time. In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Alleluia: Jn 20:29

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Jn 20:19-31

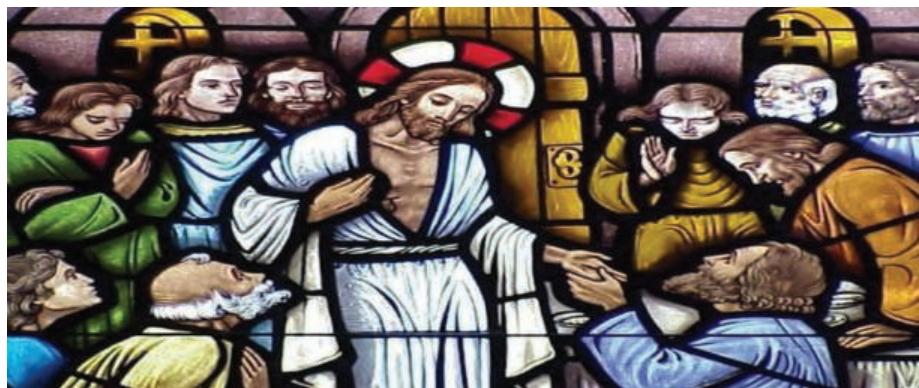
On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name..

Profession of Faith:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(All bow towards the tabernacle)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Spiritual Communion Prayer**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

PRAY FOR US

Saturday April 15

- 9:00 AM Parishoners of Christ the Good Shepherd Parish
 5:00 PM Carol Ann McKeon † Req. Kevin McKeon
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 Louise Karwowski † Req. K of C Bishop John Carroll General Assembly 654
 Michael Bianco † Req. Judy Agostini
 Tim Zatzariny † Req. Jinni Quaranta
 Marshall Low † Req. Wife Marie & Children

Sunday April 16

- 8:00 AM Louise Karwowski † Req. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sands
 9:30 AM Joseph & Annette Farnoly & Frank Pugliese † Req. Paul & Kathy Rogone
 11:00 AM Enrico Dijanco † Req. Bernadete, Christian, Eric and Family
 12:30 PM Parishoners of Christ the Good Shepherd Parish

Monday, April 17

- 8:00 AM Msgr Harry J Jordan † Req. Barbara Daley
 9:00 AM Sara Riggio † Req. Albert Trasferini

Tuesday, April 19

- 8:00 AM Parishoners of Christ the Good Shepherd Parish
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Wednesday, April 20

- 8:00 AM Wolfgang Licht † Father Anthony Infantini
 9:00 AM Parishoners of Christ the Good Shepherd Parish

Thursday, April 21 (St. Anselm)

- 8:00 AM Parishoners of Christ the Good Shepherd Parish
 9:00 PM Parishoners of Christ the Good Shepherd Parish

Friday, April 22

- 9:00 AM Parishoners of Christ the Good Shepherd Parish

Saturday, April 23

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Administrator's Note

My Dear Friends,

Question? Are we scared, confused, or are having doubts at this moment in our lives? Resurrection Sunday was just seven (7) days ago. Yet, the world has moved on, and our day-to-day life continues. Do we still realize that our Resurrected Lord has redeemed us? Today, the Catholic Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. It's a day of prayer when we ask the Lord to renew our trust in His merciful love, so that we might live it more fully in our lives.

Are we ready for this renewal?

My Dear Friends, follow this thought pattern. After the death of Jesus, the disciples scattered. They believed they would be next. It's important to realize that even Jesus' disciples were experiencing an identity crisis. They lost their direction and hope because they truly believed that Jesus was the Savior of Israel. They completely believed they had lost their teacher, and friend. One can see they did not fully believe. Even Thomas in today's Gospel stated, "*Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.*" Having doubt, fear, and confusion in our vocations in life is normal. What is not normal is when we allow doubt, confusion, and fear to control our lives, and destroy our spiritual growth. It's through these lived experiences that our faith grows. It's in the Breaking of the Bread that we are called to remember the greatest gift of love ever given. The disciples had their doubts. But, if we could remember more than seven (7) weeks ago, Satan even wanted Jesus to doubt Himself. Remember in the desert, Jesus was just baptized by John and He heard his Father say, "This is my Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 3:16-4-7). Jesus was immediately after His baptism led into the desert by the Spirit and Satan was ready. Satan would begin his temptations with, "*IF you are the Son of God.*" Those words alone by Satan demonstrated how he was trying to tempt Jesus to doubt His own identity.

So, my question to all of us this Divine Mercy Sunday, "Are we having an identity crisis in our lives?" Have we found ourselves in need to go back to basics in our spiritual life? This Divine Mercy Sunday, just like the disciples we need to remember "Who are we, where are we, and what are we doing here?" We must remember the mission.

The Disciples lost their way, and it was when they saw Jesus once again, they believed. Today at mass in the moment of the Breaking of the Bread, we will all have an opportunity to encounter the Resurrected Lord and say, "My Lord and my God!"

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, we are reminded that we might forget about our Lord, but our Heavenly Father shows us Divine Mercy to always come back to Him.

Praise Be His Name,

Fr. Junior





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All major Mass celebrations will be held at Sacred Heart Church this year. We will begin to alternate Churches each year, with next year being held at St. Isidore the Farmer Church.

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Fr. Junior



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DECREE REGARDING PARISH MASS SCHEDULES
IN THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN

In order to better address the declining number of priests in the presbyterate of the Diocese of Camden, along with the decline in Mass attendance, and having taken counsel with both the Presbyteral Council and the Vicars Forane, in exercising vigilance over the celebration of the sacraments, in accord with canon 392 §2 of the Code of Canon Law, in order that the pastoral effort regarding the celebration of Mass may be more effective for the building up of the ecclesiastical community and so as to not overburden the priests of the diocese, allowing them to more adequately fulfill their ministry (cf. *Eucharisticum mysterium*, 25), I hereby decree the following in regards to Mass schedules in the Diocese of Camden:

1. A parish may have one Saturday evening Mass.
2. A parish may have two Sunday Masses if there is only one full-time priest assigned to the parish.
3. A parish may have one additional Mass on Sunday per full-time or part-time priest assigned to the parish as long as those Masses have an attendance of at least 60% of the capacity of the church building. A change in the Mass schedule will need to be made when staffing changes at the parish.
4. Parishes that serve the Latino community should incorporate the Mass celebrated in the Spanish language into the parish Mass schedule in accord with the guidelines above.
5. Parishes in the shore region of the diocese will need to plan, on an annual basis, the number of Masses they require and are able to cover. By May 1st of each year, pastors of shore parishes are to file their summer Mass schedule and coverage plan with the Office of the Chancellor.
6. In parishes with only one priest; the parish weekday Mass schedules may reflect the pastor's day off by having no Mass scheduled on that day. In addition, when the pastor is on vacation, the weekday Masses may be suspended. Eucharistic services are NOT TO BE CONDUCTED on these occasions; the faithful are to be provided with nearby parish Mass schedules so that they may participate in Mass.

This decree takes effect on July 1, 2023.

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of Camden on this the 8th day of August, 2022.

in cuius fidem...
J. J. Reh
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Sylvia Loumeau, LCSW, is the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Camden. She provides pastoral outreach to any victim/survivor of child sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or diocesan employee or volunteer. She can be contacted at 1-800-964-6588.

Parish Nurse

April 16th : Healthcare Decision Day

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement's "Conversation Project" has designated April 16th as National Healthcare Decisions Day (NHCDD). The goal and purpose of Decision Day is to empower, inspire, and educate individuals to discuss advance care planning. NHCDD focuses on discussing potential goals of care in a variety of situations including acute and chronic illness and encourages identifying and having a conversation with a healthcare proxy who can act on your behalf if needed. Numerous resources are available to start the conversation and decision-making process are available from The Conversation Project:

<https://theconversationproject.org/nhdd/> These include:
Conversation Starter Guide Choosing a Healthcare Proxy
Understanding your role as a Healthcare Proxy

A "What Matters to Me" Workbook

A guide for talking with Healthcare Providers about your decisions

New Jersey specific resources can be found here:
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Join us for Rosary Rally in front of Sacred Heart Church on April 19th. We will be Praying against pornography and LGBT books in schools and libraries.



**Rosary Rally
Wednesday April 19, 2023
12:00 PM**



**In Front of Sacred Heart Church
(Note: Day & Date are Correct)**

April National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Ten Tips for Protecting Children and Offering Outreach to Victims/Survivors

- 1 Sexual abuse is about the victim.**
Many people are affected by abuse but the individual most impacted is the victim who has suffered a violation of trust that can affect his or her entire life.
- 2 The residual effects of having been abused can last a lifetime.**
The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place. Those who have been abused can heal, but if often takes time, therapy, and the support of loved ones.
- 3 No one has the right to have access to children.**
No one, no matter who they are, has an automatic right to be around children or young people who are in the care of the Church without proper screening and without following the rules.
- 4 Common sense is not all that common.**
Dioceses, schools, parishes, and especially families, must educate themselves and others on how to protect children.
- 5 Child sexual abuse can be prevented.**
It is critical to build safety barriers around children and young people to keep them from harm—such as protective guardians, codes of conduct, background evaluations, policies and procedures, and safety training programs.
- 6 Feeling heard leads toward healing.**
Relief from hurt and anger often comes when one feels heard, when one's pain
- 7 You cannot always predict who will be an abuser.**
Experience shows that most abuse is committed by someone who has gained the trust of a victim/survivor and his/her family.
- 8 There are behavioral warning signs of child abusers.**
Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts, others allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, such as wrestling and tickling.
- 9 People can be taught to identify grooming behavior.**
Grooming behaviors are the actions which abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.
- 10 Background checks are important.**
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