

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

April 28, 2019

**Give thanks to God,
for His mercy endures!**

A pesar de que es propio de este domingo el relato de la aparición del Señor a su apóstol Tomás, ocho días después de su resurrección (**EVANGELIO**), hay que hacer notar la importancia de la aparición de Jesús a sus apóstoles al anochecer del día de su resurrección, cuando les dijo: "Como el Padre me ha enviado, así también los envío yo". Es la consagración misionera de la Iglesia; pero esa misión no es posible cumplirla, sino cuando los hijos de la Iglesia permanecen unidos junto a Pedro, el supremo pastor (**PRIMERA LECTURA**), y cuando a lo largo de su peregrinación en este mundo, mantienen fijos los ojos en el que vive por los siglos (**SEGUNDA LECTURA**).



Intenciones de las Misas

Sat. 27 04:30 pm	Vigila del II Domingo de Pascua o De La Divina Misericordia +Margarito Requejo (Family) +Jose F. Macias (Rene & Monica Alaniz) +Guadalupe A. Ruiz (Golden Girls)
dom. 28 10:30 am	Domingo del II Domingo de Pascua o De La Divina Misericordia Missa Pro Populo
Sun. 28 12:30 pm	II Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy +Fr. Vladimiro Manete, OMI (Fr. Nolasco Hinojosa) +Carmen M. Soto (Javier Soto) +Zulema Collazo (Collazo Family)
Mon. 29	NO MASS
mart. 30 08:00 am	Dia de la Semana de Pascua Nuestro Señor Jesucristo y Maria Santisima (Olga Laurel)
Wed. 01 08:00 am	Easter Weekday Jesus Sacramentado y Virgen Milagrosa (Olga Laurel)
juev. 02 08:00 am	San Atanasio, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia Niño de la Salud y Virgen de Schoenstatt (Olga Laurel)
Fri. 03 08:00 am	Saints, Philip and James, Apostles Virgen de Guadalupe y Espiritu Santo (Olga Laurel)
Sat. 04 08:00 am	Easter Weekday +For All Souls in Purgatory

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be for
+For All Souls in Purgatory

Good News!

April 28, 2019

Second Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy (C)
Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

We're not defined by our weakness, but created for greatness! Look at David, Paul, and the sinful woman. David was an adulterer and murderer, yet he wrote Psalms and was Jesus' ancestor. Paul killed one of the first deacons, Stephen, yet became the greatest apostle to the Gentiles. The sinful woman's misdeeds were public, yet what is most remembered is her repentance and love.

Sin is not the last word. God's recreating mercy is. God's mercy asks for a response so all that transformative power can be unleashed in us. The only thing that stands in the way of God's renewal rushing in and totally transforming us is our own lack of acceptance.

Sin wants to stand in the way of this good news. The evil one tries to convince us that we are too sinful; that salvation and happiness might be for others, but certainly not for us.

But David, Paul, and the sinful woman didn't let that sinister message sink in. David was moved to repentance by Nathan's words. Paul accepted that he wasn't saved by his religious fervor or condemned for his errors. He was saved by letting Christ's merciful love embrace him. The sinful woman refused to be defined by her poor choices. She tearfully made penance at Christ's feet, and this act of her brokenness gave off a consoling aroma that filled the house.

Let the power of Christ's love be unleashed in you by forgiving yourself and others. Then your weakness will be the first step toward the greatness God has in store for you.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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Dear Padre

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What is spiritual communion?

Spiritual communion is a unique Roman Catholic devotional practice not to be confused with sacramental Communion, which is the participation in the mystery of Christ by eating and drinking the Body and the Blood of the Lord.

The development of spiritual communion as a devotion can be traced to St. Alphonsus Liguori. It's a form of spiritual yearning to be in communion with Christ during those times when his sacramental gift can't be shared.

To share in sacramental Communion, one must be aware of no unconfessed serious sin against God's commands and be in good standing with the Roman Catholic Church. With exceptions for age and health, one must also have fasted from all food and all beverages except water for one hour before receiving sacramental Communion. Some Catholics are unable to share sacramental Communion because of sickness, geographic distance from a Roman Catholic community, or unavailability of priests.

Any Christian who wishes to have spiritual communion with the Lord can do so by taking a moment to consider God's love demonstrated to us in the life, passion, and death of Christ. Give thanks to God for this wonderful gift, and say a prayer of spiritual communion.

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CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL CAMPAIGN 2019



The Catholic Sharing Appeal Campaign began this week. Our participation in the past has proven that this parish is not only concerned with its own needs, but with those of others in the diocese that are less fortunate, as well as with different programs in the diocese that depend on our

support. This year let us succeed and meet our goal of **\$14,900.00** and perhaps even exceed it.

Campaña Católica de Compartir 2019

La Campaña de Compartir empezó esta semana. Nuestra participación en el pasado ha demostrado que esta parroquia no sólo se preocupa por su propia necesidad sino por las necesidades de otros y por los diferentes programas en la diócesis que son menos afortunados y que dependen de nuestro apoyo. Esperamos tener éxito este año y cumplir la meta de **\$14,900.00** y quizás sobrepasar la meta.

MOTHER'S DAY BINGO


The Prayer Group will be sponsoring a Bingo on Saturday, May 04 at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. The cost is \$10.00 for 3 cards. Tickets can be purchased from any Prayer Group member or at the door. Please help support our Prayer Group.

MOTHER'S DAY MASS REMEMBRANCE

Pick up your **Mother's Day Mass Remembrance** envelopes located in the entrances of the church. Please deposit them in the collection basket. Mother's Day will be celebrated on Sunday, May 12, 2019. Remember to include living and/or deceased loved ones.

Conmemoración de la Misa de las Madres

Recoja sus sobres de **Conmemoración de la Misa de las Madres** que están en las entradas de la iglesia. Depositelo en la canasta de la colecta. El día de las Madres se celebrará el domingo, 12 de mayo 2019. Recuerde de incluir a sus seres queridos vivos y/o difuntos.



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Colecta de la Semana Pasada
Envelopes: \$ 1,679.00
Loose: \$ 272.00
Children's Envelopes: \$ 55.00
Total Sunday Collection: \$ 2,006.90
Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 4,749.11

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENT

PENANCE SERVICE

Penance Service for those receiving First Communion will be on **Friday, May 3, at 7 pm.**

REHEARSAL FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Those receiving First Holy Communion on May 19 will have mandatory rehearsal on Saturday, May 18 at 9:00 am at the church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion will be held on Sun., May 19 at 10:30am Mass.

REHEARSAL FOR CONFIRMATION

Those receiving Confirmation on May 26 will have mandatory rehearsal on Saturday, May 25 at 9:00am at the church.

CONFIRMATION

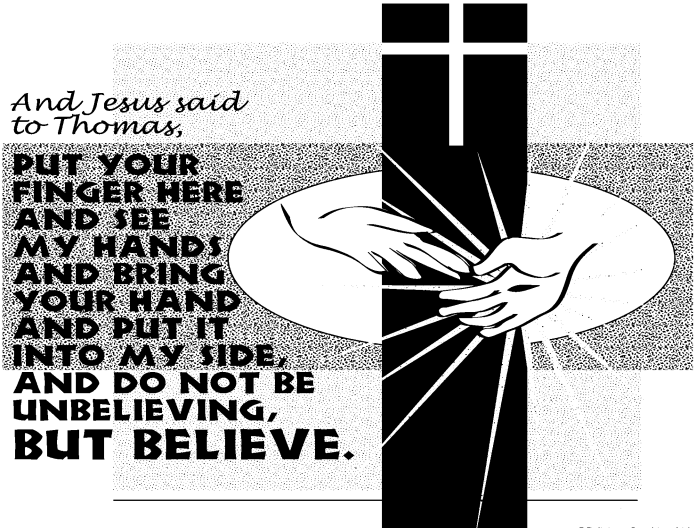
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 26, at 12:30pm at the church.** Candidates and sponsors, including adults, must be in the church hall no later than 11:30am.

THE ANNUAL BLUE MASS

The Diocese of Laredo will be celebrating the Annual Blue Mass at St Patrick on Wednesday, May 15, 2018 at 12:00 pm. The Annual Blue Mass honors men and women in law enforcement who admirably fulfill their duty to serve and protect our community. Everyone is invited to attend!

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Eva Escamilla, Ruby Ann Inocencio, Guadalupe Gonzalez, Oscar Noriega, Justin Pecina, Jorge Martinez, Fidela Ruiz, Dora Rodriguez, Pedro Malacara, Sister Thelma I. Gallegos, Ana Maria Trevino, Genoveva Ramirez, Deisy Garcia, Esther Salinas, David Riojas, Reynaldo Reyna, Victoria Carrillo, Chelo Ruiz, Camila Elen Garza, Alan Eliseo Perez, Maria Lopez and Alicia Herrera.



And Jesus 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.

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