

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Sunday, April 11, Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:30 **BW** Special Intentions of Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **BW** Anne Macke from Joan Muchmore

12:00 **BW** Heini Gerhard from Evelyn & Mary Fisher

Monday, April 12

12:10 Hilda Widekind from the Mohr Family

Tuesday, April 13, St. Martin I, Pope

12:10 Thomas Butler from Ruth Miles

Wednesday, April 14

12:10 Howard Mushaben from Bill & Kay Russ

Thursday, April 15

12:10 Agnes Baer from Carol & Larry

Friday, April 16

12:00 George Thelen from Rose Ann & Brian

Saturday, April 17

12:10 Don Huesman from The Sawma's

7:00 Bill Clark from Sheila Hein

Sunday, April 18, Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 **EW** Michael Clauder from Jim & Patricia Stahl

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12:00 **BW** Mark Dixon from Mary Lou Lind

From the Pastor's Desk

PUBLIC MASSES WITH RESTRICTIONS WILL BE HELD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

PLEASE REGISTER for Saturday evening and Sunday masses at strosecincinnati.org

ALL INDIVIDUALS MUST WEAR A MASK WHILE INSIDE THE CHURCH. Thank you for your understanding, patience and cooperation.

THE CATHOLIC FAITHFUL WHO RESIDE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI CONTINUE TO BE DISPENSED FROM THE OBLIGATION OF ATTENDING SUNDAY MASS.

To join us for Live Streaming of mass go to our website STROSECINNATI.ORG and click on [WATCH LIVE](#). I want to thank everyone who continues to support us with their generous contributions. God Bless, Fr. Barry

Here at St. Rose

Austin Michael Parkes will be welcomed into the church with a profession of faith and receive Confirmation and First Eucharist this weekend.

Korey Christopher Ward was welcomed into the Catholic Church through Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil.

Teresa Marie Stroehlein will be welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.



Virtual
Banquet for Life
April 26, 2021
at 7:00 pm

Pregnancy Center East

For the first time, PCE's Banquet For Life will be virtual. Enjoy a lively, inspiring evening from the comfort of your home with keynote speakers, the Benham Brothers. You'll also meet a client, Lindsay, who shares her story of tragedy and triumph.

For more information, visit SupportPCE.com. Or contact Karen at kdorger1@gmail.com or (513) 236-8006, or Anne at 7keefes@gmail.com or (513) 207-1631.

BANQUET IN A BOX.

VIRTUAL TABLE HOST \$1,000

The **Easter** Collection was \$29,845. Thank you for your Generosity!!!

The Collection for the **Holy Land Shrines** was \$605 Thank you again for your continued support and generosity.

SAFEPARISH – NEW CHILD PROTECTION PLATFORM STARTING JULY 2021 Please see the Bulletin Entry section for an announcement we ask you to consider putting in your parish bulletins. The Safe Environment Office would like to start getting the word out to all parish volunteers about the upcoming switch from VIRTUS to the new child protection platform called SafeParish effective July 2021.

REGISTER TODAY FOR SUMMER CLASSES at MTSM - Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology will be offering two summer classes online and in-person (listed below). Learn more at www.athenaeum.edu/academics/registrar/.

SUNDAY SUNSHINE

~ May the best day of your past be the worst day of your future.

~ May you live as long as you want but never want as long as you live.

~ May luck be your friend in whatever you do and may trouble be always a stranger to you.

- May you always find three welcomes in your life. In a garden during summer, at a hearth during the winter and in the hearts of friends throughout all your years.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need

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Opening Prayer

God of everlasting mercy,
 who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast
 kindle the faith of the people you have made your own,
 increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed,
 that all may grasp and rightly understand
 in what font they have been washed,
 by whose Spirit they have been reborn,
 by whose Blood they have been redeemed.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

The disciples to whom the risen Lord appeared on Easter eve announce the resurrection to Thomas in the same words as Mary Magdalene spoke to them: "We have seen the Lord." And they are just as unsuccessful in convincing Thomas as Mary had been with them.

So eight days later, the Lord stands again in the midst of his disciples, greets them with his peace, and then turns to the individual most in need of this. For eight days Thomas has wrestled with the dark stranger of doubt and is wounded by this struggle. The wounded, risen Jesus and the wounded disciple stand before one another. Jesus invites Thomas to touch the wounds of his hands and side. He responds with the most profound and personal assent of faith in all the gospels: "My Lord and my God!" For the future generations who will listen to this gospel, Jesus's next words are our greatest hope: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

In his *Asian Journal*, Thomas Merton wrote, "Faith means doubt. Faith is not the suppression of doubt. It is the overcoming of doubt, and you overcome doubt by going through it. The man of faith who has never experienced doubt is not a person of faith."

Christ took his wounds into the grave and did not disown them in his resurrection. Because of his wounds, Jesus is now credibly in touch with wounded humanity: with the wounded in body and spirit, those hurt by society, the victims of domestic and global violence, those suffering from their own addictions, those abused by our disregard and complacency. And we know only too well our own woundedness. Such wounds reveal our need for one another and, therefore, the potential for the building of a compassionate, healing community that witnesses to the love of the Wounded Healer.

Closing Prayer

My Lord and my God: there is no simpler expression of faith, no creed more intimate than this. In times of doubt and hesitation, remind us that your confidence in us is just as simple and intimate. May our belief in you and your power ever grow. Amen.



For Reflection:

• In today's gospel Jesus tells the disciples, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Where are you being sent to share Jesus's peace?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

APRIL 11, 2021

Gospel John 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 nailmarks 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.

Readings for the week:

2nd Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)
 Acts 4:32-35
 Ps 118:2-4, 18-15, 22-24
 1 John 5:1-6
 John 20:19-31

Monday
 Acts 4:23-31
 Ps 21:3, 47a, 7b-9
 John 3:1-8

Tuesday
 Acts 4:32-37
 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd, 2-5
 John 3:7b-15

Wednesday
 Acts 5:17-26
 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
 John 3:16-21

Thursday
 Acts 5:27-33
 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20
 John 3:31-35

Friday
 Acts 5:34-42
 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14
 John 6:1-15

Saturday
 Acts 6:1-7
 Ps 33:12, 4-5, 18-19
 John 6:16-21

3rd Sunday of Easter
 Acts 8:13-15, 17-19
 Ps 42, 4, 7-8, 9
 1 John 2:1-5a
 Luke 24:35-48