

Daily Mass Homily  
14 April 2020  
Easter Tuesday

**“He gave them the water of wisdom to drink; it will be made strong in them and will not be moved; it will raise them up for ever, alleluia.”**

Reading 1: Acts of the Apostles 2:36-41

Psalm 33: **The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.**

Gospel: John 20:11-18

### **Homily for Easter Tuesday**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

HAPPY EASTER!

We continue our Octave celebration of Easter today on this Easter Tuesday. We continue that joyous celebration that we began on Easter Sunday. One thing that we do during the Octave of Easter (and during the Octave of Christmas as well) is that during Mass we sing or say the Gloria each day. Again, each day during the Octave of Easter is like we are celebrating Easter Sunday again and again. This celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord is that important and amazing. So, I would encourage all of you who are reading this today to recite or sing the Gloria as a way to give glory to the God, who sacrificed his Son and then raised Him from the dead so that we might have forgiveness for our sins and eternal life. You may also want to go to YouTube and search for a recorded version to sing along with if you like.

In our reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we hear of how the Church is beginning to grow. Peter is telling the Jewish people that they can know for certain that this Jesus whom they crucified has been made Lord and Christ by God. They ask, what are we to do? Repent and be baptized! They heard the message and Acts relates to us that 3000 persons were added to their number that day. These people responded to the witness and talk that Peter gave to them. The only way people will come to know who Jesus is and will want to follow him is by our invitation, and the way that we witness that Jesus is our Lord and our God. When people see how we live, can they tell that there is something different about us. Do we take the opportunity to share God's love to others when it is presented to us? We don't have to quote Scripture or have some kind of life altering piece of wisdom to offer, but we can witness by just treating those around us just as God treats us, with gentleness, patience and eternal mercy.

May these Easter days continue to fill us with joy and love that we have from Christ who is victorious over all things and in turn share and witness that joy and love to the world around us.