

2nd Sunday of Easter — Divine Mercy Sunday

April 23, 2017



First Reading: Acts 2:42-47 Responsorial Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9; Gospel: John 20:19-31

“Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

If Easter needs an exclamation point, Divine Mercy Sunday provides it. The death and resurrection of Jesus reveal the depths of God’s mercy toward us. For by his death, Jesus won forgiveness for our sins, and by rising, restored our life. In gratitude for all that we have received from God, let go forth and treat one another with kindness and mercy.

URBI ET ORBI MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Happy Easter!

Today, throughout the world, the Church echoes once more the astonishing message of the first disciples: “Jesus is risen!” – “He is truly risen, as he said!”

The ancient feast of Passover, the commemoration of the liberation of the Hebrew people from slavery, here finds fulfillment. By his resurrection, Jesus Christ has set us free from the slavery of sin and death, and has opened before us the way to eternal life.

All of us, when we let ourselves be mastered by sin, lose the right way and end up straying like lost sheep. But God himself, our shepherd, has come in search of us. To save us, he lowered himself even to accepting death on the cross. Today we can proclaim: “The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep, and willingly died for his flock, alleluia” (Roman Missal, IV Sunday of Easter, Communion antiphon).

In every age, the Risen Shepherd tirelessly seeks us, his brothers and sisters, wandering in the deserts of this world. With the marks of the passion – the wounds of his merciful love – he draws us to follow him on his way, the way of life. Today too, he places upon his shoulders so many of our brothers and sisters crushed by evil in all its varied forms.

The Risen Shepherd goes in search of all those lost in the labyrinths of loneliness and marginalization. He comes to meet them through our brothers and sisters who treat them with respect and kindness, and help them to hear his voice, an unforgettable voice, a voice calling them back to friendship with God.

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Dear brothers and sisters, this year Christians of every confession celebrate Easter together. With one voice, in every part of the world, we proclaim the great message: “The Lord is truly risen, as he said!” May Jesus, who vanquished the darkness of sin and death, grant peace to our days.

Happy Easter!

— Pope Francis, April 16, 2017

For the full text of the Pope’s letter, please follow the link provided on the church website.

A sincere "THANK YOU" ...

... to all the volunteers who came together to ready our physical space so as to ready our hearts for this most solemn and joyful of liturgical seasons. From those who brought flowers, decorated the church, shopped and assembled banners, candles, luminaries and maintained our vigil fire to our wonderful choir, Eucharist ministers, lectors and ushers: Your generosity of time and talent is but another way to glorify God. As Mother Theresa said:

"Faith in action is love and love in action is service."

Our Liturgical Ministries Are In Need

We continue to be in need of Lectors, Ministers of the Eucharist, Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers), Choir Members, Altar Servers/Acolytes (children, youth, or young adults) to serve in our Saturday evening and Sunday Masses. Please let Fr. Dennis know as soon as possible if you are available. Thank you!

Confirmation Reminder

April 26, 6:00 pm—Rehearsal

April 27, 7:00 pm—Confirmation Mass



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Offertory Report 4/16/2017

Plate collection: \$4,251; Hope's Pantry: \$170; Building Fund: \$65; Maintenance and Grounds: \$510; 2nd collection: \$347; other: \$192; total deposit: \$5,535.

Mass Intentions April 22-28, 2017



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| Sat., 4:30 pm | +Helen Luedtke |
| Sun., 9:00 am | +Dennis Kelly +Otti Sullivan |
| Sun., 11:15 am | +Lorena Merino |
| Sun., 5:00 pm | Int. of Rose and Graciela Ramirez |
| Wed., 7:00 am | +Dennis Kelly +Joan Hentges |
| Thurs., 7:00 am | +Otti Sullivan |
| Fri., 7:00 am | +Joe Ortman |

ANUNCIOS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español - Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm.

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras - Favor de hablar con P. Dennis.

Confesiones - Cada sábado a las 3:30 pm y por cita.

Registración Parroquial - Favor de usar la forma de registración en la primera pagina del boletín para inscribirse en el registro parroquial y déjalo en la canasta. ¡Muchas gracias!

Músicos - Si toca guitarra u otro instrumento, favor de hablar con un miembro del coro para participar y servir en el ministerio muy especial.

Youth Corner

The word *confirmation* means a "strengthening". The Holy Spirit comes and strengthens those gifts we received at baptism. The Holy Spirit brings them to maturity.

Confirmation confers the courage and gifts of the Holy Spirit that we need to be witnesses to Christ in our daily lives. Christ is still fulfilling his promise through the sacrament of confirmation.

Christ has shown us the way to spiritual maturity. He has given us the Holy Spirit who gives us the strength to face up to our responsibilities and to share the gospel with others.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Pastor: Father Dennis Gallo

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am & 11:15 am
Spanish Mass: Sunday at 5 pm
Weekday Masses:
Wednesday through Friday 7 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm, Wednesdays during Lent
from 4:00-5:00 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday
10 am - 12 pm; 2 - 4 pm

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