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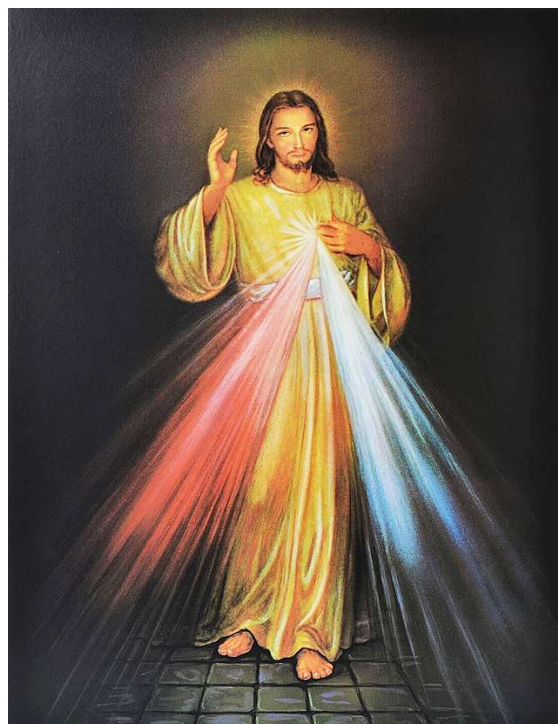
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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) – APRIL 27 2025 *"DO NOT BE UNBELIEVING, BUT BELIEVE"*

In today's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus also commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun. As Jesus was sent by God, so too does Jesus send his disciples. This continuity with Jesus' own mission is an essential element of the Church. Jesus grants the means to accomplish this mission when he gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit binds us together as a community of faith and strengthens us to bear witness to Jesus' Resurrection.

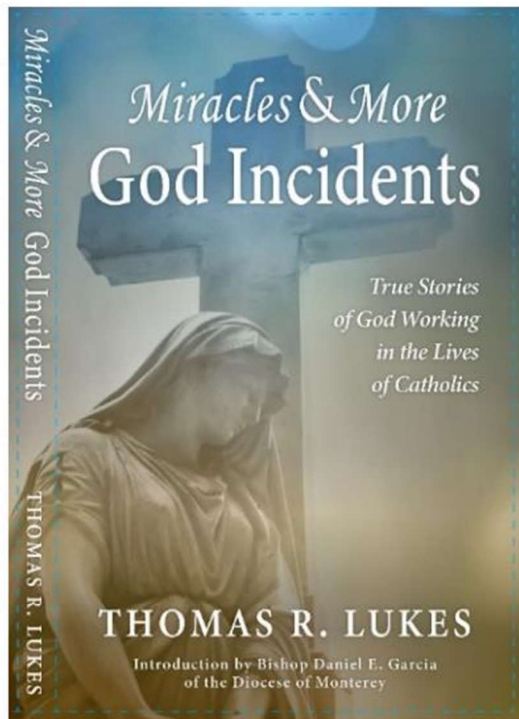
Jesus' words to his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Forgiveness and reconciliation are gifts to us from Jesus. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share these with others. This is another essential aspect of what it means to be Christ's Church. The Church continues Jesus' ministry of forgiveness and reconciliation.



Thomas, the disciple who doubts, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of disciples. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. It is part of our human nature to seek hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death is, indeed, the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative who obtains this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who had died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed for we have not seen and yet have believed.

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BOOK SIGNING & SALE



Sunday, May 4th

IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH

Before & after the 9:00 & 11:00 MASSES

HELP SUPPORT THE PARISH'S FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

\$20/BOOK (includes tax) — Cash, check or credit card
\$10 per book will go to support OLMC's Faith Formation Programs.

Miracles & More God Incidents includes 33 true stories: a blind child is miraculously healed in Vietnam; a woman is healed at Lourdes; a dead man brought back to life by the touch of a priest; a mom is saved by St. Michael the Archangel; a man healed of cancer at Lourdes; a driver saved by an angel's direction; a statue of St. Joseph moves, and many more. **Bishop Daniel Garcia** wrote the *Introduction*.

A pilgrimage to **Medjugorje** includes a chance to hear directly from Mirjana, one of the visionaries. She tells the words of Our Lady on a variety of topics including how to be beautiful.

NO SIGAS DUDANDO, SINO CREE

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús recibe a sus discípulos con el don de la paz y el don del Espíritu Santo. Jesús también les encomienda continuar la obra que él ha comenzado. Así como Jesús fue enviado por Dios, también Jesús envía a sus discípulos. Esta continuidad con la propia misión de Jesús es un elemento esencial de la Iglesia. Jesús concede los medios para cumplir esta misión al dar a sus discípulos el don del Espíritu Santo. El Espíritu Santo nos une como comunidad de fe y nos fortalece para dar testimonio de la Resurrección de Jesús.

Las palabras de Jesús a sus discípulos también resaltan la conexión integral entre el perdón de los pecados y el don del Espíritu Santo. El perdón y la reconciliación son dones que Jesús nos da. Con la gracia del Espíritu Santo, podemos compartirlos con los demás. Este es otro aspecto esencial de lo que significa ser la Iglesia de Cristo. La Iglesia continúa el ministerio de perdón y reconciliación de Jesús.

Tomás, el discípulo que duda, representa la realidad de la Iglesia que surge después de esta primera comunidad de discípulos. Todos, excepto los primeros discípulos de Jesús, deben creer sin ver. Al igual que Tomás, podemos dudar de la noticia de que Jesús, crucificado y sepultado, se apareció a sus discípulos. Es parte de nuestra naturaleza humana buscar pruebas contundentes de que el Jesús que se apareció a los discípulos después de su muerte es, en efecto, el mismo Jesús crucificado. Tomás tiene la oportunidad de ser nuestro representante, quien obtiene esta evidencia. Él nos da testimonio de que el Jesús que resucitó es el mismo Jesús que murió. Por el don del Espíritu Santo, estamos entre los bienaventurados, pues no hemos visto y, sin embargo, hemos creído.

MASS INTENTIONS

APRIL 26TH – MAY 4TH 2025

Sat. Apr 26th 4:30 Vigil: **People of the Parish**
7pm: **Mass in Cachagua**

Sun. Apr 27th 9:00: **Mary DelFino**
(101st Birthday)
11:00: + **Joann McIntyre**

Wed. Apr 30th 12:00: **Health & Healing of**
Dora O.

Thurs. May 1st 12:00: + **Peter Braebeck**

Fri. May 2nd 12:00: + **Tosha Ramos (9th Anniv)**

Sat. May 3rd 4:30 Vigil: + **Justin Marshal**

Sun. May 4th 9:00: **People of the Parish**
11:00: + **Fr. Mark Stetz**

*May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

WEEKLY COLLECTION

*HOLY THURSDAY, EASTER VIGIL,
EASTER: \$8,683*

SECOND COLLECTION: MAINTENANCE \$707

*Thank you for your generosity to our parish
community.*

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



Dear Parishioners and Friends of
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish,

On May 5, 2000, five days after
the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed
that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth
be known as Divine Mercy Sunday

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that
God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize
that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will
call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it
flow through us to others. It has been a joy for me to
celebrate with all of you the greatest feast on our
liturgical calendar. Happy Feast Day of Divine Mercy
Sunday. Shalom! Fr. Jhonnatan.

SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

11 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 15-25, 2025

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AMA ANNUAL APPEAL

As of April 21, 48 donors, giving \$47,670

- We are at 95% of the financial goal of \$50k
- Close to 50% of the goal of total people participating (100)

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE PARISH HALL:

- Patio storage deck boxes, clear, see-thru, with lids, small or medium sizes.
- New linoleum to update the kitchen storage shed floor.
- Flashlights and/or lanterns in the event of power outage during an event.
- Small mixers, and electric can openers.



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SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month

1:00 PM in the Church

4th Saturday of the Month at 7:00 PM in
Cachagua

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday 1:00 PM — 3:00 PM

Sundays: 10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

*"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of
prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the
heart of life is service."*

— St Teresa of Avila

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