



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, YEAR A

Reading I: Acts 2: 42-47;

Reading II: 1 Peter 1: 3-9;

Gospel: John 20: 19-31.

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Gospel Summary

Following Jesus' crucifixion the disciples were still uncertain of his message. They lost hope and in fear locked themselves in a room. Without entering through the door, Jesus appeared before them with a greeting of peace and a mission to spread the Good News. The disciple, Thomas, was not in the room. When he learned of Jesus' visit, he would not believe it. But about week later, Jesus appeared in a similar way when Thomas was with the others. Jesus invited Thomas to touch the wounds in his hands and side. Thomas knew immediately that it was Jesus and believed in him.

Reflection for Families

Parents are often the source of hope and encouragement for their children. When a child falls repeatedly while learning to walk or ride a bike, it is a parent who coaxes, encourages and praises the child. Parents provide hope and comfort when a child falls short of a goal in academics, relationships, sports, or whatever. Parents can relate to the role of Jesus with his disciples.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Using the newspaper, news broadcasts, or situations you know about, share ideas about people in the world or in your community who might be discouraged. Suggest ways either in prayer or by action that your family might bring hope to these (or some) people.

Discussion Starters

1. I remember once I was really discouraged but I found peace when . . .

2. I was a source of peace for someone when . . .

3. I can relate to the "doubting" Thomas, but I have learned . . .

SECOND COLLECTION

Let's support our priests' future well-being. A second collection will be taken at all Masses this weekend for the Priests' Retirement Fund. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

This is an invitation to come for prayers today, Divine Mercy Sunday, 12th April at 3:00 pm.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited in different languages and we will have prayer of intercessions for Peace and God's Divine Mercy. This is an opportunity to Come and Know More about the Divine Mercy.

"On that day . . . The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (St Faustina's Diary, 699)

Conditions to Receive the Graces

To fully receive these graces, the faithful are encouraged to:

1. Make a good Confession, ideally shortly before or on Divine Mercy Sunday.
2. Receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday or the vigil Mass.
3. Maintain a state of grace and trust in Jesus' Divine Mercy.
4. Perform works of mercy, whether by deed, word, or prayer, reflecting the mercy of Christ in daily life (Diary, 1578).

CHANGE IN MASS TIME

Please take note that the daily Mass on Wednesday, 15th April will be at 6:30 am (not 5:30 pm), and Friday, 17th April, it will be at 12.15 pm.

HOLY HOUR

There will be NO Holy Hour on Wednesday, 15th April. It will resume on Wednesday, 22nd April.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Meet Parish Priest SIX MONTHS before the intended date of marriage.

REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ Baptism and Confirmation Certificate.
- ◆ Marriage Preparation Certificate if you are from another Parish.
- ◆ Civil Marriage Certificate if applicable.
- ◆ IC's copy for both candidates and witnesses.
- ◆ Photo (Passport size).

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE ADMIN AT WHATSAPP 8348855

REGISTRATION FOR INFANT BAPTISM

Open for children aged 7 years old and below.

SCHEDULE: Every THIRD week of the month.

REQUIREMENTS:

- ◆ Child's Birth Certificate.
- ◆ Parent's Sacrament of Matrimony Certificate.
- ◆ Godparent's Confirmation Certificate

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RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

It is available 30 minutes before Sunday Mass or you may request for an appointment through the Parish Office Admin at WhatsApp 8348855

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

It will resume on Saturday, 18th April at 5:30pm followed by the daily Mass.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (MPC)

Couples intending to get married must attend the Marriage Preparation Course, which is a pre-requisite for a Catholic marriage.

The next MPC will be on 18th—20th June.

Please register at the Parish Office, if you are planning to get married in the later part of the year.

DATE	TIME	READINGS
<p>13 APRIL—Monday 2nd Week of Easter</p>	<p>5.30pm (Mass)</p>	<p>Acts 4: 23-31 Jn 3: 1-8</p>
<p>14 APRIL—Tuesday 2nd Week of Easter</p>	<p>5.30pm (Mass)</p>	<p>Acts 4: 32-37 Jn 3: 7-15</p>
<p>15 APRIL—Wednesday 2nd Week of Easter</p>	<p>6.30am (Mass) <i>NO Holy Hour</i></p>	<p>Acts 5: 17-26 Jn 3: 16-21</p>
<p>16 APRIL—Thursday 2nd Week of Easter</p>	<p>5.30pm (Mass)</p>	<p>Acts 5: 27-33 Jn 3: 31-36</p>
<p>17 APRIL—Friday 2nd Week of Easter</p>	<p>12.15pm (Mass)</p>	<p>Acts 5: 34-42 Jn 6: 1-15</p>
<p>18 APRIL—Saturday 2nd Week of Easter</p>	<p><i>5.30pm (Novena To Our Mother of Perpetual Help)</i> <i>Followed by the Daily Mass</i></p>	<p>Acts 6: 1-7 Jn 6: 16-21</p>
<p>19 APRIL—Sunday THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</p>	<p>9.00am (Mass) 6.00pm (Mass)</p>	<p>Acts 2: 14, 22-33 1 Pt 1: 17-21 Lk 24: 13-35</p>