IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

"A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust"

APRIL 24, 2022

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg



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The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

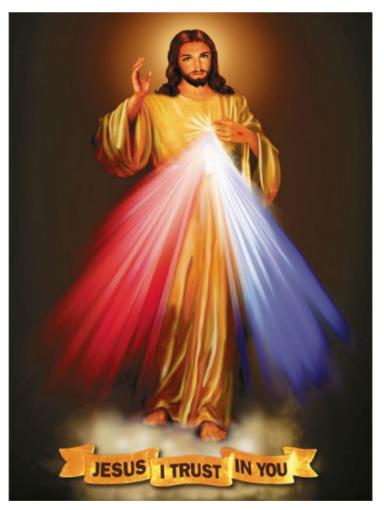
Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact a priest of the parish one year in advance of thewedding. Diocesan regulations require that couples begin to work with the parish at least one year prior to a wedding.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized should call the parish office to register for Baptism Prep. Please call well in advance of birth of your child.

CONFESSION

Anytime by appointment Tuesday: 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.; Saturdays: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 23

8:00 a.m. Charleane Richardson (Eugene) 4:30 p.m. Pat Drabisin (Family)

Sunday, April 24

8:00 a.m. Louis Teamann (Family) 10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family 11:30 a.m. Anna Bach (Family)

Monday, April 25

7:45 a.m. Mary & James Agatucci (Patty & Paul)

Tuesday, April 26

7:45 a.m. Harry Waite (Jimmy & Patricia) 6:30 p.m. Tim Salopek (Family)

Wednesday, April 27 7:45 a.m. Donna Holden

(Susan) Thursday, April 28

7:45 am Harry Hacharian (Family)

Friday, April 29

7:45 a.m. Pat & Wally Carlson (Druschel)

Saturday, April 30

8:00 a.m. Ethel Klassen (Jim & Pat) 3:00p.m. Wedding Palarino/Traficante 4:30 p.m. Our Parish Family

Sunday, May 1

8:00 a.m. Harold Frazier (Dan & Joan) 10:00 a.m. Nancy Ponitz (Javor) 11:30 a.m. Ed Starzenski (Fisher Family)

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH – 2:00 PM



Easter Joy continues next week when we hear in the Gospel of Jesus' great act of Mercy when He reunites Thomas (the doubter) back into the fold of Faith Hope and Love! Caravaggio's painting of Thomas the "Believer" reminds us that Mercy flows from the cross through the resurrection.

Jesus' death was too overwhelming for Thomas who chose to separate himself from Christ, Truth and the other disciples. But the power of Jesus' love allows him to fulfill his need to examine His wounds so that he could stop his disbelief and begin to believe again in the promise of Christ mission and promise of the New Kingdom.

So often we find ourselves questioning the validity of Jesus' resurrection by doubting our own worthiness to be saved of our brokenness. Divine Mercy calls us to share the full meaning of Easter and the call to faith for the unbeliever and believer alike.

Saint John Paul II initiated the Feast of the Divine Mercy to follow Easter Sunday in 1993 as a way to extend the understanding and importance of Church and community life of Faith and forgiveness.

Our Faith Communities - Back in July when I was first diagnosed with stage four pancreatic

cancer I reached out to you on OSM and I asked for prayers. I also asked if we could gather as a community to pray the Divine Mercy for this would build us stronger in that life of Faith and Forgiveness that Saint John Paul II expressed. So many of you responded to this request and many even returned to Mass while the pandemic fears were still real for many people. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is offered still every day at Immaculate Conception at the three o'clock hour for my much-needed Mercy in my battle and for all those who are need of His Healing love.

Praying at Home and with the Children – I also asked if you could not pray at 3pm in the church to pray on your own at a time that works best with your schedule. I asked that the children would learn the chaplet and that families would pray together. We



need to pray for Divine Mercy not just for me but for the whole world. As Ukraine is under siege by Russia all the more, as Pope Francis reminds us, Divine Mercy needs to be extended to the whole world!

COME AS A FAMILY!! - The Parishes of Immaculate Conception and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton will share a devotional Holy Hour to pray for Jesus' Divine Mercy to touch our lives and the lives of our loved ones! We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; share in a message of Mercy followed THE RECITATION OF THE CHAPLET and Benediction.

Please bring your family, grandchildren and neighbors. This Hour is a moment of grace and mercy that will open hearts and save souls!

The Image of the Divine Mercy

The earliest element of the Devotion to the Divine Mercy revealed to St. Faustina was the Image. On February 22nd, 1931 Jesus appeared to her with rays radiating from His heart and said:

Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus I trust in You. I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and throughout the world.

I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over its enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I myself will defend it as My own glory.

I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in You." (Diary 327)

The two rays denote Blood and Water.

The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. These rays shield souls from the wrath of My Father. Happy is the one who dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him.



By means of this image I shall grant many graces to souls. It is to be a reminder of the demands of My mercy, because even the strongest faith is of no avail without works. (Diary 742)

In these texts the Church's doctrine on images, justification and grace are explained. First, by itself an image is merely a painting, no matter how beautiful and expressive. Yet, it can point us the mysteries of the faith and dispose us to grasp and receive what it represents, in this case the Divine Mercy. It is thus a vessel, not the source, a reminder, not the reality. The reality is the merciful fountain of grace flowing from the pierced Heart of Christ on the Cross, and flowing out visibly to represent the visible, that is the sacramental, signs of grace, Baptism and Eucharist, standing for all the sacraments of the Church. Thus, St. John in his first letter insists on the presence of the invisible with the visible, the Spirit with the water and the Blood.

The image also reminds us that salvation is not just by faith, but by works of charity also. It takes faith to see and believe in what the Image signifies, Divine Mercy poured out from Christ upon the Cross, but it takes mercy, love going beyond the strict requirements of justice, in order to draw down mercy on oneself. "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us" (Mt 6:12) and "the measure with which you measure will be measured out to you" (Mt 7:2) The Image of the pierced side of Christ pouring out blood and water reminds us that the Cross, love in action, is the price of mercy. "As I have loved you so also should you love one another." (Jn 13:34)

- 1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed.
- 2. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following: **Eternal Father**, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and **Divinity of Your dearly** beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.



3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades)

4. Conclude with (three times):

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

The Hour of Great Mercy

Just as the Image can serve as a reminder of the ocean of Divine Mercy, as well as its price, so can the daily remembrance of the Divine Mercy at the hour of Christ's death. Jesus asked Saint Faustina, and through her us, to celebrate this Hour of Great Mercy, promising tremendous graces to those who would, both for themselves and on behalf of others.

At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the hour of great mercy ... In this hour I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion. (Diary 1320).

As often as you hear the clock strike the third hour immerse yourself completely in My mercy, adoring and glorifying it, invoke it's omnipotence for the whole world, and particularly for poor sinners, for at that moment mercy was opened wide for every soul. In this hour you can obtain everything for yourself and for others for the asking; it was the hour of grace for the whole world - mercy triumphed over justice.

At the Hour of Death

"...When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dving person not as the just judge but as the Merciful Savior".



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Sanctuary Candle: In Memory of Charleane Richardson by Bob & Mary Rodgers

Easter Flame Candle: In Memory of Agnes Raspotnik by Vic & Craig

Divine Mercy Candle: In Memory of Edward & Dolores Starzenski by Fisher Family

St. Peregrine Candle: In Memory of Cynthia Kolesar

Altar Candles for the Month of April: In Memory of Cornelius & Frances McNeil by Family

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

2nd Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts Revelation John

5:12-16 1:9-13: 17-19 20:19-31

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts Revelation John

5:27-32, 40-41 5:11-14 21:1-14

Eucharistic Adoration



is held every Tuesday beginning after morning Mass. If you need to leave and there is no one else in the church during Adoration, please call the church office at 724-863-9550 and someone will come over. Thank you Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday at 3:00 PM.

Stewardship Corner

Weekly Offering	
Sunday Offertory Week of April 10, 2022	\$17,737.72
Diocesan Online Giving 3/23 - 3/31/2022	\$462.50

2022 Diocesan Lenten Appeal update as of April 2nd We have reached our Diocesan Target of \$138,116.00!

- ≻ Our active participation in the 2022 DLA is 29%.
- \geq Total pledged is \$185,501.00.

 \geq We are \$47,615.00 away from our Parish target of \$95,000.00.

Thank you to all who have already given a gift to the 2022 Diocesan Lenten Appeal and to those who are considering to give a gift.

> You are also able to make your gift online at dioceseofgreensburg.org/SharingOurGifts

On The Corner

SAVE the Date! Vacation Bible School returns this yearmark your calendars for June 27th-30th, 9am to 12:30. Age 4- entering 5th grade are welcome! We are also in need of teachers and older kids to be helpers! Contact Susan

skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org for more information! We can't wait for you to come Digging for Treasure with us!

Knights of Columbus St Jude Council

9019 - will have their monthly meeting on Monday April 25, 2022, at St Agnes, and Resurrection Hall. The meeting starts at 7:15 with the Rosary. St Jude Council covers the parishes of IC, St Agnes, and St Elizabeth Ann Seton. If you



are interested in joining the Knights, or would like to transfer to our Council, please contact Al Borgony at 724-864-3487 or email a.borgony@comcast.net ,or you can check out our website at kofc.org and join online.

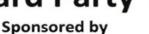
Immaculata Men's and Women's Groups - First summer session will be held on Saturday May 14th at 6:30 am

Burger Bash Time



BURGER BASH 3 WEEKS AND COUNTING -Opening Date May 14th!





Christian Mothers/Women's Guild Immaculate Conception Church

> In Our Lady's Plaza



Thursday, May 19, 2022

Enjoy playing cards or bring your favorite board game Food, Fun, Raffle, Door Prizes, Chinese Auction & Share the Wealth

Doors open - 6:00 P.M. Light Dinner - 7:00 P.M. Admission \$12.00 (Recommend Tables of Four)

For Reservations call Sharyn at 724-863-9550 Seating is limited

ulate Conception Church, Irwin, PA

The Card Party tickets will be sold the weekend of May 14th and 15th



Flowers are blooming... And so is the Garden Club. New members welcome!

Work sessions: 2.nd Monday of every month, at 5pm

Come join us! Get your hands a little dirty, make some new friends, and help keep our Church grounds beautiful!!

Questions? Text Lisa at 724-875-7730

Our 412Youth High School Ministry program will be holding a ticket sale after masses the weekend of May 21st/22nd. Tickets are \$10 each. The winning ticket will be pulled Father's Day weekend and will receive lottery tickets and \$1,000 cash. Please support our Youth Ministry program and get the chance to win some cash!

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PENGUIN RAFFLE TICKETS: Visio 55-inch TV, Signed



Jersey & Puc, \$500. CASH and Penguin videos and memorabilia included. Winning number taken from the First PA Lottery Pick 3 Evening number drawing on Sunday, June 5th. Tickets will be sold after Masses the weekend of April 30 & May 1st and May 7th & 8th and at the Parish Office.

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct <u>after</u> you have called the Childline number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, Ext. 1221.

Angels Corner

Dear Friends of Queen of Angels Catholic School,

Queen of Angels Catholic School 13th Annual Angel Ducky Derby will be held at Irwin Park on Wednesday, May 25, 2022. 500 rubber ducks will be sold for \$5.00 each by our



school families. On the day of the race the ducks will be placed in the Irwin Park stream for a race to the finish. We are writing to you to ask for your support. A contribution to this race would be greatly appreciated.

*Cash donations will help to underwrite the prizes:

1st place \$200 2nd place \$100 3rd place \$ 50 Lame Duck (last) \$25

*Donation of a gift certificate, services or your store merchandise will be used for our raffle.

In support of your donation, your business name will be posted the day of the event at Irwin Park. This year, our race will be combined with our Field Day and our Annual Walkathon.

The event is a development effort to benefit the school's educational program. We are thankful for your generous and continued support within the local community. All donations are due before **May 18th** and can be mailed to:

Queen of Angels Catholic School Attention: Mrs. Ruth Ann Noblick – Ducky Derby One Main Street North Huntingdon, PA 15642

If you need any additional information, please contact Mrs. Ruth Ann Noblick at (724) 978-0144 x 2223.

In and Around the Diocese

Bishop to Celebrate Divine Mercy April 24 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg - Bishop Larry J. Kulick welcomes all of the faithful, along with the clergy of the Diocese, to join him for a liturgical celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24, 'at 1:30 p.m. in St. Joseph Chapel at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Weather permitting, the Eucharistic procession will be outdoors. Divine Mercy celebrates the love that Christ has for all of us, despite our sins that separate us from Him. Always celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter, the liturgy commemorates the Divine Mercy of Christ, as revealed to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun.

In and Around the Diocese (Cont'd)



Help for Ukraine - Bishop Larry J. Kulick asks the faithful of the Diocese of Greensburg to assist Ukraine and its people by praying for them as this tragic conflict unfolds. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has released a list of reputable Catholic

agencies collecting donations to aid people as they flee to escape Russian bombing and shelling. Visit DioceseOfGreensburg.org/ HelpForUkraine to learn more about Catholic Relief Services, Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy, Catholic Near East Welfare Association, Aid to Church in Need, Knights of Columbus Ukraine Solidarity Fund, Jesuit Refugee Service and International Catholic Migration Commission, among others.

First Saturday Masses in Jeannette - In response to the world's bishops' statement calling on all Catholics to pray for an end to the war in Ukraine and Pope Francis' consecration of Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and in light of Our Lady of Fatima's message to Sister Lucia in 1925, the Jeannette Catholic Community will celebrate Mass on Five First Saturdays beginning in May (May 7, June 4, July 2, Aug. 6 and Sept. 3) at Sacred Heart Parish. The days will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the rosary, followed by Mass at 9. Confessions will follow Mass. Our Lady requests our going to confession, receiving the holy Eucharist, praying the rosary and spending 15 minutes with her, meditating on the mysteries of the rosary each First Saturday. All are welcome.

Bingo at St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City, resumes May

4 - St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City, hosts bingo the first Wednesday of each month. Upcoming dates are May 4, June 1 and July 6. The bingo features large must-go jackpot and an all-night game. Paper packages start at \$27. Doors open at 5 p.m., with games starting at 6:45 p.m. Monitors and number boards are used. The kitchen will be open, and free coffee will be provided. The building is handicapped accessible. For information, call 724-744-4584 or 724-744-7474.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg seeks qualified applicants for the position of Information and Referral Caseworker - The selected candidate, reporting to the Director of Information and Referral, will accept intake calls and requests for service, provide short-term supportive and interventive service to clients on an emergency basis and provide initial assessment of the client's needs/request and recommend appropriate service.

Qualified applicants must have:

• Master's Degree in Social Work or a related field, **or** a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major preferably in the field of Human Services

- A minimum of two years' human services experience
- A valid driver's license and automobile insurance coverage
- Certification as an information and referral specialist through AIRS must be obtained after one year of employment at no cost to the employee

Interested applicants must submit a cover letter, resume and salary expectations to: hr@dioceseofgreensburg.org.



Top Student program extended to higher education at Franciscan University - Because of the continued generosity of an anonymous donor, Catholic high school students in the Diocese of Greensburg, or those attending Catholic high schools in Western Pennsylvania, could receive priority for tuition assistance, regardless of income, if they choose to attend Franciscan University of Steubenville. This new initiative is funded by the same anonymous donor who funded the TOP Student program in the Diocese of Greensburg. To date, the TOP Student program has provided tuition assistance to 800 families in Catholic schools across the four counties of the Diocese and has helped to increase enrollment in Diocesan Catholic schools by 20% in just two years; that is one of the largest Catholic school enrollment increases in North America. For information, visit franciscan.edu/JPII-scholarship, call 800-783-6220 or email admissions@franciscan.edu.

St. Edward Parish, Herminie, plans golf outing June 24 - St. Edward Parish, Herminie, will hold a golf outing Friday, June 24, at the Madison Club. Cost for the four-person scramble, with a shotgun start at 9 a.m., is \$100 per person or \$400 for a foursome, which includes greens fees, cart rental, a hot dog and beverage at the turn, buffet dinner, a "guest for a day" certificate (which includes one 18-hold greens fee), skill and door prizes, and team awards. For information, contact Mike Ochap, 724-433-2181.



FRENCH FRY FAMILY & HOT DOG CLUB ARE BACK AGAIN FOR THE 2022 BURGER BASH

As we prepare for the Drive-Thru Burger Bash, we must cut our overhead cost to maintain our profit. This year the price of frying oil has increased 50% from 2019 and onion prices have increased \$1.00 per pound since 2019. We need to prepare for an increase in all burger bash supplies and products.

People often ask if there is a way that they can help. Many have donated beverages in the past. However, the drive thru format makes purchasing beverages difficult. We are not able to sell beverages. Instead of donating beverages, consider making a monthly monetary donation to offset the cost of the burger bash expenses. You can be a member of the "French Fry Family" or "Hotdog Club".

"French Fry Family" Sponsorship donations for \$49.00 & under "Hotdog Club" Sponsorship donations for \$50.00 & over

Your donations can be mailed, dropped off to the parish office, dropped in the offertory basket or placed online at https://osvhub.com/icirwin/funds/burger-bash. Please write attention "Burger Bash Sponsorship" on the envelope.

Thank you in advance for your support of the "Almost Famous" corner burger and our parish family!!

You too can be a member of the "French Fry Family" or "Hotdog Club" Simply complete the form below, mail or drop off to the parish office. Please write attention "Burger Bash Sponsorship" on the envelope.

You can also donate online at https://osvhub.com/icirwin/funds/burger-bash

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French Fry Family	Hot Dog Club	
	Your sponsorship will be for the following month's Burger Bash.	AT M

ATTENTION: IC "Drive Thru" Burger Bash Volunteers "Drive Thru" Saturdays from 11:00am- 1:30pm

Our 2022 season is right around the corner . . . If you are interested in helping or are in need of service hours please consider volunteering by completing the information below. ****See guidelines for volunteers that must be completed prior to participating.**

Volunteer duties:

*Order Takers *Onion Prep *Grillers *French Fry Prep *Burger Runners *Burger Wrappers *Traffic Control *Food Tables

We are especially in need for the following duties:

- Tent Set Up (8:30 am to 9:30 am)
- Tent Tear Down (1:00 pm to 2:30 pm)
- Kitchen Clean Up (1:00 pm to 2:30 pm)

**The Diocese of Greensburg requires all clergy, parish, cemetery, school employees and all volunteers 18 and older to have all of the following clearances and trainings prior to work or ministry in the diocese:

For *NEW* Volunteers:

- Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct
- PA Mandated Reporter Training
- VIRTUS Training (Every 5 Years)
- PA Criminal History Check form (Every 5 Years)
- PA Child Abuse Form (Every 5 Years)
- FBI Fingerprint Check (Every 5 years. Initial submission must be done through screening agency. Then every 5 years screening agency OR an Affidavit for volunteers only.

For CURRENT Volunteers who require updated training:

- Volunteers are required to complete VIRTUS training every five (5) years to continue to work or perform ministry in the Diocese
- The initial course required for all employees and volunteers is "Protecting God's Children Awareness", which is already completed if you are a current volunteer
- Volunteers will be contacted when it is time to update their Virtus training.

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All volunteers who meet diocesan requirements will receive an email when scheduled for upcoming Burger Bashes. All COVID-19 guidelines will be in affect at this and all events.

Form and training questions should be submitted to:

Sharyn Gesmond on 724-863-9550 or via email sgesmond@dioceseofgreensburg.org



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER April 24, 2022 - Order of the Mass

Organ Prelude

Prelude on "Puer Nobis Nascitur" Emma Lou Diemer

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father: courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate, faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage. Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We walk by faith, and not by sight; no We not touch his hands side. may and nor Help then, 0 Lord, our be lief; and un -That, life of faith when is done, in our 0 0 words cious hear from him who gra we fol where but low he trod; in his faith bound. call may our a _ to on realms of clear light be er we may spoke e'er spoke; but as none ise joice; and prom re we when and you you are near, hold with you as you are, lieve him we be near. "My God!" Lord and cry, found. seek where you are full and less sight. end

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We Walk By Faith



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FIRST READING

Acts 5:12-16

Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. They were all together in Solomon's portico. None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them. Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them. Thus they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats so that when Peter came by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. A large number of people from the towns in the vicinity of Jerusalem also gathered, bringing the sick and those disturbed by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 118 Hal Hopson

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

SECOND READING Revelation 1:9-13,17-19

I, John, your brother, who share with you the distress, the kingdom, and the endurance we have in Jesus, found myself on the island called Patmos because I proclaimed God's word and gave testimony to Jesus. I was caught up in spirit on the Lord's day and heard behind me a voice as loud as a trumpet, which said, "Write on a scroll what you see." Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and when I turned, I saw seven gold lampstands and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, wearing an ankle -length robe, with a gold sash around his chest. When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives. Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever. I hold the keys to death and the netherworld. Write down, therefore, what you have seen, and what is happening, and what will happen afterwards."

> The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

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.

> The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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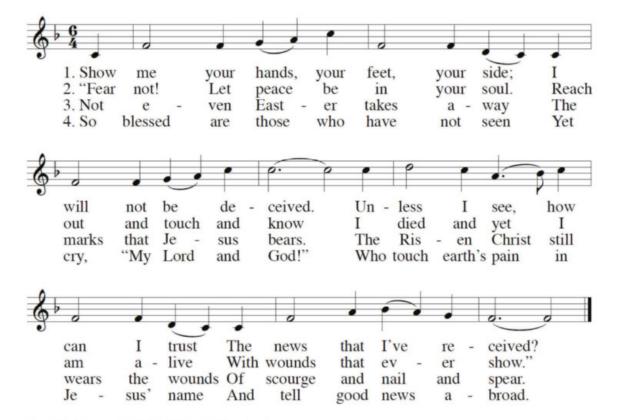
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen.

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PREPARATION OF GIFTS

Show Me Your Hands, Your Feet, Your Side



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Postlude

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