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**DIVINE
MERCY**

Sunday

ST. JOSEPH THE ARTISAN CHURCH - BONNYBROOK



2nd Sunday of Easter

Should we be a little easier on Thomas? The last few days have been a whirlwind. On Thursday, a Passover celebration went horribly awry as Jesus was betrayed and taken into custody for unstated crimes. Less than 24 hours later, the simple arrest has turned into a death sentence to be carried out that very afternoon. Most of the disciples fled, including Thomas. He would have heard of the events of Good Friday second hand, in shock over the death of his Lord and Master. Then Sunday morning arrives with joy from a few disciples—Jesus is risen! But there is no persistent sight of him, only Mary Magdalene's quick moment in the garden and an empty tomb. Another day passes. The Apostles are gathered that Monday night, but Thomas is absent. He returns to a jubilant report of the risen Lord. Again, Thomas has seen nothing. The experience must have been surreal. Did Jesus really appear raised from the dead? Did he really suffer and die? Has all of this been some strange hoax? Desperate for an answer, Thomas insists, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

After his resurrection, Jesus' body-mangled and bloody from the crucifixion—is restored. Did it need the scars? A perfected body would have taught us one lesson: everything is renewed as it once was, the past erased. Jesus chooses another lesson, however. He retains his scars that we might know him. In the whirlwind of our lives, we make our own mistakes, our own betrayals and compromises. In the resurrected Jesus, we see a God who does not forget his own sorrow. We are invited to meet him—wound for wound—and place our hand on his own nail-scarred palm, the eternal sign of his everlasting mercy.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Easter Vigil 7.00pm Kenn Danley (A) Robyn Higgins (A)
Jack Kelly (A) & Matthew McCormack (A)

Sun: 9.30am Thomas Walsh (A) Thomas &
Kieran Kelly (B.R.), John Hunt (M.M.)

Sun: 11.30am Frank Winston (A) Bernie Martin (A)
Rosaleen & Brendan Kinnan (A) Joanna & Patrick Kavanagh & Deceased Family, Alice & James Norris and Deceased Family, Mary Doyle, (M.M.) Jean Moore (A) Jim Dunbar, Sr. Anthony (A), Phyllis Waters (A), John, Ellen, Patrick & Sarah Kelly (A), Annie & Thomas Byrne John Chathom (A), Paddy & Kathleen Kavanagh (A)

Mon: 9.30am Ann & Frank Dempsey (Living)

Tues: 9.30am

Wed: 9.30am (No Mass—Liturgy of the Word)

Thurs: 9.30am

Fri: 9.30am

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Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30am - 12.30pm (Office is closed on Wednesdays)

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Mass Times

Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm

Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am

Monday - Friday: 9.30am

Saturday morning: No Mass

BAPTISMS (A months Notice must be given)

Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm

Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm



With Heartfelt
Sympathy

*To the families of the late
Jimmy Byrne RIP & Tony O'Brien RIP*



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

St. Joseph's the Artisan Church
Bonnybrook Parish, Greencastle Road
8th April 2018

Confession: 2.15 pm
Chaplet 2.30 pm
Rosary 2.45 pm
Mass 3.00pm

Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Des Mc Naboe



Those of you who attended our Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies will agree that this year was a special year for us as we celebrated this beautiful time of the year. I would like to thank all those who were involved in the planning and delivering of these services. Without the help of each of you it would be very difficult so I want you all to know that your assistance is greatly appreciated by us all. Many people give long hours of help to our parish and for all your help we are eternally grateful.

Joe Jones

FUNERAL TEAM MINISTRY.

The Funeral Team had an excellent meeting last week and it is planned to follow it up with a planning meeting to take place on **Tuesday, 8th May 2018 at 8pm in the Oratory.** If you would like to be involved with the Funeral Ministry please do let us know. New members always welcome.

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QUESTION:

What is the story behind Divine Mercy Sunday?

ANSWER:

In Poland during the early 1930s, Jesus appeared to a religious sister, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska. These private revelations had one key theme: the love and mercy of God. The relevance of this message was evident then and would continue to resound in importance throughout the social and political upheaval of the 20th century.

One of Jesus' requests was the institution of a feast of God's mercy. St. Faustina records in her diary, "I desire that the Feast of mercy be a refuge and shelter for souls ? let no soul fear to draw near to me ? It is my desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter" (Diary, no. 699). After St. Faustina's canonization in 2000, the Vatican declared that the Second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

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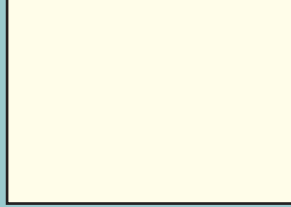
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