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*"Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."*



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1st 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.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

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

Let the house of Israel say,
"His mercy endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say,
"His mercy endures forever."

Let those who fear the LORD say,
"His mercy endures forever."



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

I was hard pressed and was falling,
but the LORD helped me.

My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.

The joyful shout of victory
in the tents of the just:

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

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.

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

2nd Reading: Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13, 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.”

Verse before the Gospel:

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord;
blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel:: 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 nail marks 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.

For Reflection: In the first Sunday after Easter, after the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are celebrating the Divine Mercy Sunday. What is the Divine Mercy Sunday? Divine mercy Sunday is a great gift our Lord has given us because He loves us. This gift, if used properly, can restore our personal life and the life of all members of our Church. Today I would like to talk to you about the revelation of Divine Mercy which had, in the past century, Polish Sister Faustina Kowalska.

Sister Faustina reported having seen Christ in Purgatory; having seen and spoken to Jesus and Mary several times. She wrote that Jesus revealed to her to spread the devotion of the Mercy of God. On February 22, 1931, she said that Jesus appeared as the “*King of Divine Mercy*”, wearing a white garment. From beneath the garment emanated two large rays, one red, the other white. Acting upon orders she said she received from Christ, Faustina had a picture of this vision painted. With the help of her confessor, she distributed the images and people began to pray before them.

In His revelations to sister Faustina, which was given to the world, Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy be established on the Sunday after Easter and He has made a great promise to any soul that would turn to Him by Sacrament of Penance and then receiving Holy Communion on that feast-day.

Jesus said to Sister Faustina: **“I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. The soul that will confess sins and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet”**. (Diary, 699) That’s not all. Jesus also said **“I want to pour out My divine life into human souls and to sanctify them, if only they were willing to accept My grace. The greatest sinners would achieve great sanctity, if only they would trust in My mercy”**. (Diary, 1784)

Jesus requested also that the Image of The Divine Mercy, which you can find in today’s bulletin, will be solemnly blessed and venerated on the day of Divine Mercy. He said to St. Faustina **“I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish”**. (Diary 341, 48) He said also **“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) “

Friend in Christ, The feast of the Divine Mercy is for us an occasion to receive enormous graces: forgiveness of sins and punishment. This grace is granted to those who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, recite the *Our Father* and the *Creed*, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. *Jesus, I trust in you!*).

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, please, take the time for prayer today and in this time, so every one of us can receive these huge benefits of Divine Mercy.

Parish News

- **Today's Mass Intention:** For Parishioners.
 - **Coffee Hour : Swieconka dinner.**
 - **Next Sunday Mass intention:** For Jakub and Salomea Wos and Felix and Stefania Kata. **Req. by** Wos Family.
 - **Coffee Hour:** Wos Family.
- Today there will be a **Mission Fund collection at the door.**
- **Today, before the Mass at 9:45 we will be praying in the Church the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy** (*instructions prayer on the last page of the bulletin*). This Sunday is the Sunday of Divine Mercy. Please join us for this beautiful prayer. Beginning with the next Sunday we will be praying Rosary 20 minutes before Mass. We invite you to take part of this prayer.
 - **Swieconka Easter Dinner is Today, following mass.** This will be a potluck dinner, just like the Oplatek. If you prefer giving a donation instead of bringing something, please give it to Sally.
 - **Parish Committee Meeting next Tuesday at 6pm.**
 - **Meet Raffle.** Our next Meat Raffle will be on Friday April 29th. Doors open at 6:15 pm. We serve a light supper. The Meat Raffle begins at 7 pm. You can purchase a pass for \$20.00 which covers all 10 meat raffles We have a lot of fun and it is a very successful fundraiser for our church. Please attend or tell your family and friends about his event. Thank you! Pat & Phil
 - **Next Sunday, during Coffee Hour, there will be the meeting for the Parents of our SOCL children who in this year will receive their first Communion.** We will talk about the possible date for this celebration.
 - **God's Field March issue.** Here is the link to the March/Easter issue of God's Field: http://www.pncc.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/mar_2016_gods_field_online.pdf
 - **Pray for comfort, and healing for our sick Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:** Robert Jones, Barbara Rutka, Mitch Sherman, Mary Bibeault, Roy Watson, Fred Baker, Beatrice Bielat, Julia Hutnak, Phyllis Zielonka, Mary Stefanick, Evelyn Tenczar, Edna Nawrocki, Katherine Kirk, Fr. Jan Wilczek, Paige Sherman.

*Our Easter Flowers
are in loving honor or memory of*

*Lucien and Muriel Bibeault, and Joseph and Mary Czajkowski,
by Andre and Carol Bibeault*



Mark Calo, by Wanda Misiaszek

Robert Jones Sr., by Irene Jones

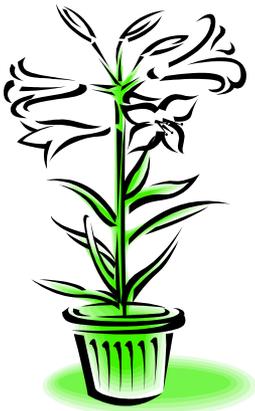
*Joseph Hutnak, Sally and Julian Misiaszek,
and Mary and Frank Rutka, by Julia Hutnak*

*Czupryna, Prymak, and Caranci Families,
and Stefanick, Waitowitz, and Czyzewicz Families,
by Charles and Katherine Caranci*

*In honor of our Grandchildren,
Emma, Daniel, Zachary, and Ryan,
by Philip and Patricia Kaczorowski*

My Babci, Regina Kaczorowski, by Mark Kaczorowski

*Rose and Odobert Fox, and the Okoniewski Family,
by Edmund Fox*



*Scotty Carlson, Elizabeth Carlson, and Chrissy
Plante,
by Lonnie and Sally Watson*

*Czupryna, MacDonald, and Maliez Families,
by the MacDonald Family*

*Mary and Francis Rutka, and Julius Sherman,
by Kathy Sherman*

My Dad, Louis 'Red' Callegaro, by Patricia Kaczorowski

Donald Dalton, by Phyllis Dalton

*Sally and Julian Misiaszek,
Joseph Hutnak, and Josephine Kurek,
by Matthew Hutnak*



*Norman and Connie Poirier,
Joyce Rouillard, Joseph Hutnak, and Marcel Lariviere,
by Jill Deschamps*

*My Dziadziu, Rev. Louis J. Kaczorowski,
by Peter Kaczorowski*

*Mike Kurek, Estelle Pomes,
and Lawrence and Josephine Kurek,
by Joyce Kurek*

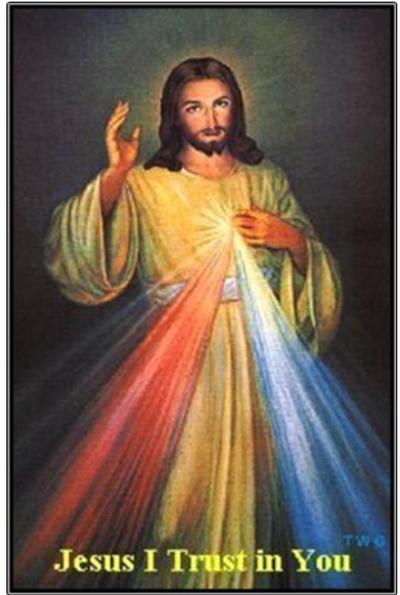
*Stephen and Lilian Bator,
and John and Victoria Zajchowski
by Marilyn Goktuna*

*Lawrence and Josephine Kurek, Michael
Kurek,
and Jules and Sally Misiaszek,
by Gerry and Nancy Ethier*



*Thank you for your donations to our
Easter Flower fund.*

The Divine Mercy Chaplet can be prayed at any time but especially on Sunday after Easter. A standard rosary can be used to recite the chaplet. How to pray: **1.** Make the Sign of the Cross and pray the following Opening Prayers: *"You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us."* **And:** *"O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!"* (three times). **2.** Pray the one *Our Father*, one *Hail Mary*, and say the *Apostles' Creed*. **3.** On the *Our Father* bead before each decade, pray the following prayer: *"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. Amen." **4.** On each of the *Hail Mary* beads in each decade, pray the following prayer: *"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."* **5.** On each of the next four decades of the Chaplet, repeat the same (pray the *Eternal Father*, followed by ten "For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion"). **6.** After you have prayed all five decades of the Chaplet, pray the following prayer, which is repeated three times: *"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."* **7.** After the doxology, pray the following final prayer: *"Eternal God, in Whom mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us, and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy Itself."* **8.** Make the Sign of the Cross.

Next Sunday Readings: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41, Revelation 5:11-14, 17-19, John 21: 1-19

Our Saviour's Parish Schedule:

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING - Sunday-9:00 AM

HOLY MASS - Every Sunday-10:00 AM

COFFEE HOUR – Sunday-11:00 AM

SICK CALLS – Anytime-day or night

BAPTISMS -By Appointment

NEW PARISHIONERS- Call Rectory