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Second Sunday of Easter - Low Sunday

A Sabbath Thought

Absence, we say, makes the heart grow fonder. But the apostle Thomas discovers that the risen Christ's absence can be a source of doubt. The power that eventually healed Thomas' heart is still at work in our world.

About Today's Bible Readings

ACTS 5:12-16

After Christ's resurrection, the disciples' faith allowed them to lead others to Christ.

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

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

REVELATION 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19

This selection form the opening chapter of Revelation introduces us to a prophet's spiritual experience of Christ's risen presence.

JOHN 20:19-31

Christ appears to the disciples in the upper room and creates the church. The grieving Thomas doubts but eventually discovers an intense and lasting faith.

ENTRANCE RITE (Psalm 40:2-4)

- V. I waited, waited for the Lord; who bent down and heard my cry, drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the mud of the swamp, set my feet upon rock, steadied my steps. Alleluia.
- R. And put a new song in my mouth, a hymn to our God. Many shall look on in awe and they shall trust in the Lord. Alleluia.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE 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 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY – April 3rd Second Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM - Deacon's Service of Worship and Reception of The Holy Eucharist.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament following the Service.

SUNDAY – April 10th Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM - Deacon's Service of Worship and Reception of The Holy Eucharist.

Easter Dinner

Today, April 3, 2016 we will be observing our annual traditional Easter Dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 3:00 PM.

Tickets are: Adults - \$12 Children under 12 - \$3

I sincerely hope that everyone will be able to attend and join with us as we enjoy good food and Christian fellowship.

Parish Committee Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Parish Committee will be held on Sunday, April 10, 2016 in the Fellowship Hall following the 9:00 AM Deacon's Service. All committee members should plan to attend.

Food Drive

During this ongoing season of Easter joy, I urge you to remember our Lord's exhortations to feed the hungry. Please donate non-perishable food items by leaving them in the box which is marked for this purpose in the narthex. All donations will be distributed to those members of our community who are less blessed than ourselves. Thank you and God bless you.

INTENTIONS:

My Brothers and Sisters: Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health of Claire Armstrong, Raymond Priester, Bob Rush, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Victor McAlanis, Walter Schilling, Phillip Kuhn, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, Dennis Wunderlich, David Wunderlich, Michael Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Bob Piechota, Dane Smith, Berne Bloom, Father Fred Mechowski, Henry Nalepa and Anthony Tonzini. Our Father...

Today's Hymns

April 3, 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!

The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Book.

Processional Hymn

#1 – Hymn Of Faith

Entrance Hymn

#127 - Come Rejoice Our Lord Is Risen

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 - Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

#128 - Jesus Christ Our Lord Has Risen

Communion Hymn

#136 - That Easter Day

Recessional Hymn

#135 - Christ The Lord Is Ris'n Today