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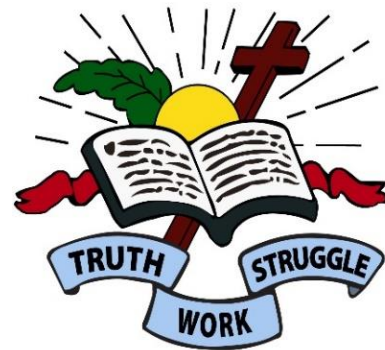
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The Second Sunday of Easter

A Sabbath Thought

We are told that after the first Easter, "the community of believers were of one heart and one mind" (Acts 4:32). That is the purpose of our gathering in this Easter season: In the community that breaks down all barriers, we find the risen Lord.

About Today's Bible Readings

ACTS 4:32-35

What the resurrection did for the first believers, it can do for us. Away with selfishness and greed! Long live faith, hope and love!

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

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

1 JOHN 5:1-6

Faith is the key to our new life in Christ. Through his resurrection, we have overcome.

JOHN 20:19-31

In time, over 100,000 Sundays separate us from our doubting brother, Thomas. But the risen Lord does not hesitate to bless us who have not seen and yet believe.

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 8th
Second Sunday of Easter
(Low Sunday)

9:00 AM – Holy Mass

Intentions for those honored with Easter Flower donations offered by their loved ones and for the repose of the soul of Father Fred Mechowski offered by his wife Ruth and family.

SUNDAY – April 15th
Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM – Holy Mass

Easter Dinner

Today, Sunday, April 8th, 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.

HELP THE LESS BLESSED

Once again we will be gathering donations of non-perishable food items, clothing or money for distribution to those members of our community who find themselves less blessed than ourselves. This is an excellent way to live the Christian life.. Please leave your items in the Narthex or see Peggy Kowalik. Remember that Christ said, "Whatever you do for the least one of my brothers, you do it for Me."

Grateful Thanks

Our heartfelt thanks go out to everyone who helped clean and decorate the Church in preparation for the celebration of Our Lord's Resurrection this morning. May God bless you all.

BOOK DRIVE

We will be collecting books that will be sold during our Annual Flea Market on June 2nd. If you have books at home that you no longer need or want, please bring them in and we will find new homes for them. All profits will benefit our beloved Church of Our Saviour Parish. See Michele Ewaskiewicz for details. Thank you for your generosity.

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 and wellbeing of Jules Nagy, Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Robert Paterson, Michael Havrilla, Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Carol Parker, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Sally Urban, Duane Schulte, Ruth and Michael Pivovarnick, Bernice Biroscak, Patrick Toner, Frank Gonzales, Gary Graham, Jackie Bayak, Berne Bloom, Joan Mainzer, Tom Goff, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Jan Chernesky, Joan Piechota, Teresa Vista Gumiran, George Jugan, Joseph Seliga, Butch Harris, Frank Kaczmarczyk and Helen Young. For the repose of the souls of Father Fred Mechowski, Sargent Jim Carpenter and Ethan Parker. **Our Father...**

Today's Hymns

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.

The Asperges – Setting 2

Processional Hymn

#1 – Hymn Of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 – Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

#136 – That Easter Day

Communion Hymn

Solo – Ruth Mechowski

In The Garden

Recessional Hymn

#137 – The Strife is O'er, The Battle Done