

Our Saviour Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church

2300 Princeton Pike; Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, ThM, STL

Rectory: 609-883-7860 Pastor: 215-535-4978

Email: pastor@oursaviorpncc.org Website: www.oursaviorpncc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/oursaviorpncc



April 19, 2020

2 Easter Sunday

FAITH SHARING

The readings for this Sunday are about God's Divine Mercy given to us through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, our need for trusting Faith, and our need for the forgiveness of our sins.

BIBLE READINGS ACTS 2:42-47

The first reading tells us how the early Church grew every day because of the acts of mercy — sharing, sacrificial *agápe* love — practiced by the early Christians.

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

1 PT 1:3-9

In the second reading St. Peter glorifies God, the Father of Jesus Christ, for showing us His mercy by granting His Son, Jesus Resurrection from the dead and a glorious Ascension into Heaven, thus giving us the assurance of our own resurrection.

JN 20:19-31

Today's Gospel vividly reminds us of how Jesus instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a sacrament of Divine Mercy. The risen Lord gave his Apostles the power to forgive sins with the words, "Whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain, they are retained" (Jn 20:19-23). Presenting the doubting Thomas' famous profession of Faith, "My Lord and my God," the Gospel illustrates how Jesus showed his mercy to the doubting apostle and emphasizes the importance of Faith for everyone.

ENTRANCE HYMN (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.

Gospel JN 20:19-31

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

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.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn #1 Hymn of Faith Hymn to the Holy Spirit #144 Come, Thou Creator Offertory Hymn #

Communion Hymn
#

Recessional Hymn

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, April 26 3 Sunday of Easter 9:30 AM – Holy Mass (online streaming from St. Valentine's) 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass at St. Valentine's but offered for Our Saviour Parishioners

All links to online streaming via Zoom app are on our webpage

www.oursaviorpncc.org.

If you want to receive an invitation with credentials via email,

please email us at

pastor@oursaviorpncc.org

or

stvalentinespncc@gmail.com

PASTOR'S ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER

2330 Margaret St. Philadelphia, PA 19137 215-535-4978

BULLETIN INFORMATION

If you have any information which supposed to be in our parish bulletin, please call or email Fr. Mariusz.

Due date for each bulletin is always Friday, 4:00 p.m.

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 Howard Friedman, Michael and Bernice Muha, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Tom Goff, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Dorothy Nabinger, John Russell, Ronald Brower, Jan Cherneski, Thomas Oliver, Sally Bisch, Bea and Stan Sub, Ruth Mechowski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski.

For the repose of the soul of all our parishioners who passed away, especially Beverly Wunderlich, Ann Wolfe.

Our Father...

PRAYER IN TIME OF NATIONAL ANXIETY

I come to You, Lord, in this time of uncertainty and confusion that has gripped our nation. I pray that our leaders and representatives in government are filled with Your peace, strength and

courage. May your gifts of wisdom and understanding, fortitude and counsel be sought and utilized by them for the well-being of our country. By their belief and trust in You may they provide capable leadership, promote unity and peace, and be attentive to the concerns of our people. May Your Church provide support and comfort; and help strengthen our hope for peace through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

NO MASS AT OUR SAVIOR, BUT TWO MASSES ON SUNDAY AT ST. VALENTINE'S

Beginning this Sunday, there will be no Mass at Our Saviour, but two Masses at St. Valentine's will be offered. One at 9:30 AM streamed online as usually, the second at 12:00 Noon, with or without streaming, not decided yet. Simply the Mass which was offered in Our Saviour Parish in Lawrenceville, NJ will be now at St. Valentine's, but offered for the parishioners of Our Saviour. Every pastor assigned to parish is obliged to offer the Mass on Sunday for his parishioners. It won't be fair to combine these two Masses into one, therefore there will be two Masses, one for St. Valentine's members and one for Our Saviour. We have to do it due to traveling limitations as well as due to lack of WiFi connection in our church building in Lawrenceville. Until last Sunday our cellphones were used as hotspots for streaming but cellular plan has monthly limits of using it. You understand what I am talking about.

Parishioners of Our Saviour share the cost of Zoom subscription with St. Valentine's. I assure you you will be warmly welcomed into St. Valentine's community and let's join our prayers together asking God for his mercy.

Understanding this difficult situation and in solidarity with those who temporarily lost their jobs, I agreed to lower my weekly paycheck from Our Saviour. Reduced cost of traveling as well as electricity bill in the church will help us to save some expanses.

FUNERAL GUIDELINES

We have received the funeral Guidelines from Bishop's Office. I forwarded his email to you already. However, please remember that each state, city, town and village are different, and we have to always follow our local directives.

MASS BY PHONE

For those parishioners who have no internet connection at all, neither the smartphone or laptop, but have a regular phone, there will be possible to join us by phone and participate in the Holy Mass. Simply, just dial the number, dial meeting ID number and then password. This way they will be able to listen to our Masses. Details next week in the bulletin, on our webpage and via email.