

Divine Mercy Sunday

Today the Church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. On this day we thank God for His forgiveness and love. It is the mercy of God that lets all of us come back to Him after we have sinned.

We know how much Jesus loves us because He suffered and died for us. When we have sinned, He wants us to be sorry and come back to Him. No matter how big of a sin you do, if you are sorry for it then God will forgive you. He wants to forgive you because He loves you!

Today we should thank God for His mercy and forgiveness and ask Him to look on us and our friends and the whole world with love and forgiveness! Here is a prayer we can say:

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.



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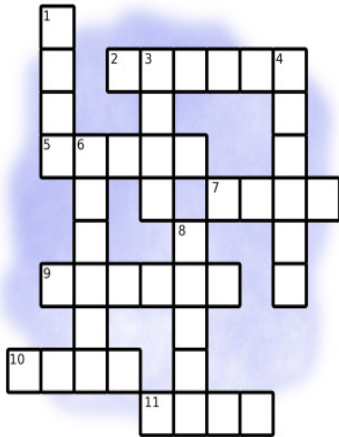
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 weeks before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least 6 months before the desired date.

AN EASTER CROSS-WORD



How well do you know the story of doubting Thomas? Today's Gospel reading will help you find the answers!



ACROSS:

- 2. Which apostle wasn't there the first time Jesus came to them after the Resurrection?
- 5. Thomas wanted to see the marks on Jesus' hands from the _____.
- 7. "My _____ and my God!"
- 9. "As the _____ sent Me..."
- 10. Jesus showed him the marks in His _____.
- 11. "As the Father sent Me, so I _____ you."

DOWN:

- 1. Thomas, who was called the _____
- 3. "I will send the _____ Spirit..."
- 4. "I will send the Holy _____"
- 6. The door was locked because the disciples were _____.
- 8. "_____ be with you!"

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Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45p.m.
&
by appointment

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - 11TH APRIL, 2021 - YEAR B

God's Everlasting Love.

Three times in today's Psalm we cry out a victory shout: "His mercy endures forever." Truly we've known the everlasting love of God, who has come to us as our Savior. By the blood and water that flowed from Jesus' pierced side, we've been made God's children. Yet we never met Jesus, never heard Him teach, never saw Him raised from the dead. His saving Word came to us in the Church, through the ministry of the apostles, who in today's Gospel are sent as He was sent. He was made a life-giving Spirit and He filled His apostles with that Spirit. As we hear in the First Reading, they bore witness to His resurrection with great power. And through their witness, handed down in the Church through the centuries, their teaching and traditions have reached us. We encounter Him as the apostles did - in the breaking of the bread on the Lord's day. There is something liturgical about the way today's Gospel scenes unfold. It's as if John is trying to show us how the risen Lord comes to us in the liturgy and sacraments. In both scenes it is Sunday night. The doors are bolted tight, yet Jesus mysteriously comes. He greets them with an expression used elsewhere by divine messengers, "Peace be with you." He shows them signs of His real bodily presence. And on both nights the disciples respond by joyfully receiving Jesus as their "Lord." Isn't this what happens in the Mass where our Lord speaks to us in His Word, and gives himself to us in the sacrament of His body and blood? Let us approach the altar with joy, knowing that every Eucharist is the day the Lord has made when the victory of Easter is again made wonderful in our eyes.

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

Second Reading

1Jn.5:1-6

Gospel

Jn.20:19-31

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.



MONDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

12:30 & 6:00 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.



FRIDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY

G/Islet/G.Riviere
7:30 a.m.



Gros Islet/Monchy

10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY

7:00 a.m.



Divine Mercy Sunday:

When, after His resurrection, Christ entered the Upper Room, He might have said to His disciples: "Where were you? Why did you abandon me when I was laying down my life for you?" But He did not. Rather, He said, "Peace I leave with you, My Peace I give to you." With these words He forgave their infidelity, dispelled their fears, healed their broken hearts, and shared with them His own joy. In short, the Lord blessed them with Divine Mercy.

Pope Francis has this to say about Divine Mercy: *"It restores hope to those who feel overwhelmed by the burden of sin. The mercy of God is present in our love for those we forgive and those we care for when they suffer: It is a love which is greater than any evil and greater than death itself. "Father, forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us." "You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us." And give us the grace to ourselves have mercy on others, especially on those we find it hardest to forgive and most needing to be healed."*

The two means Pope Francis underlines for becoming instruments of Divine Mercy are to forgive and to heal. To be disposed to do so, he says, is to be a channel of Christ's Peace. The mission the Church entrusts to us is to be a sign and instrument of the Father's Mercy and Christ's Peace, to keep alive the desire to recognize and welcome the numerous signs of the tenderness which God offers to the whole world and, above all, to those who suffer greatly, who are alone and abandoned, and who are without hope of being pardoned or feeling the Father's love.

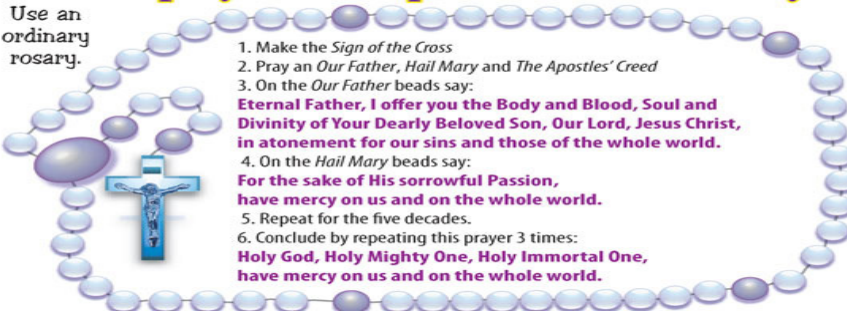
Faced with the tragic events of in our world today, the immense strain on our poor, frustration of our marginalized, and suffering in our victims of injustice, we can feel helpless and crushed. How can we adequately deal with this evil and the pain it causes? For us on our own it is impossible. Only God can bring us what we need: Divine Mercy and Peace. Our God is a God of Mercy.

It is Jesus who died on the Cross, rose on the third day, and visited the upper room to be with His beloved disciples, who delivers to them the fullness of Mercy and Peace to enjoy and to share with others. He delivers these gifts to us today, throughout the year, and for the rest of our lives for us to enjoy and share with others.

(excerpt: onlineministries.creighton.edu/kevinkersten)

How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Use an ordinary rosary.



1. Make the Sign of the Cross
2. Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary and The Apostles' Creed
3. On the Our Father beads say:
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.
4. On the Hail Mary beads say:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
5. Repeat for the five decades.
6. Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Martha Mason
Iris Macauldy
Luvina Joseph
Nellie Hall
Rosna Joseph
Denis Augustin

DECEASED

Mary Inglis
Anne Charmont
James Mathurin
Theodosia Pierre
Josephine Tommy
Anselm Blanchard
Frances Valasse

WEEKDAY READINGS

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MONDAY
Acts 4:23-31
Jn.3:1-8
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TUESDAY
Acts 4:32-37
Jn.3:7-15
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WEDNESDAY
Acts 5:17-26
Jn.3:16-21
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THURSDAY
Acts 5:27-33
Jn.3:31-36
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FRIDAY
Acts 5:34-42
Jn.6:1-15
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SATURDAY
Acts 6:1-7
Jn.6:16-21

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY / RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER		
Sat April 10 - 6:00 p.m.	“His Love Endures Forever.” Psalms 118-2	B'day: Zoey Hinkson, Mary Frederick Thks: Alghitha Richelieu & family
Sun April 11 - 7:30 a.m. <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>		Eucharistic Service
10:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Gr. Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		B'day: Isidore Davidson, Maria Fowell Catherine Augustin, Lyndon St Croix
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon April 12 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Wilfred Harris Rev. Marcellus Serieux	Dc'd: Maria Bernard, Patrick Joseph
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Elizabeth Clement Philip Labadie, Gercienne Hippolyte
Tue April 13 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Vincent Norbert Rev. Anthony Pierre Rev. Madison Stanislaus	Wedd. Anniv: Michael & Esterlita Rene B'day: Felista Jn Baptiste, Martin Philip
Wed April 14 - 6:00 a.m.	Msgr. Justin Barthelmy Sr. Mary Dungdung Sr. Mercy Masaka	Wedd Ann: Mary & Claude Severin
12:30 p.m.		Thks: Florentina Nelson B'day: Aleah St. Martin Joshua Depina, Alisha Pretto Wedd Anniv: Mary & David Popo
Gr. Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu April 15 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Arnold Clouden Rev. Jeremy Joseph Sr. Marie Joseph	Wedd Ann: Keith & Jeanne Frederick
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Joy Boxill Guid & Deliv: Maurice & Paula Oculi & children
Monchy - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Fri April 16 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Errol Frederick Sr. Rosemarie Minj	Int: Anthony Robinson
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Dorothy Bynoe, Raymond family
Sat April 17 - 6:30 a.m.	Fr. Yvon Tremont	Dc'd: Fr. Raymond Laurent Albert & Letitia Laurent