Kids Column

John 20:19-31

Dívíne Mercy

In today's Gospel we hear about the first time that Jesus came to the Apostles after He rose from the dead. He breathed on them and told them that they had the power to forgive sins. Jesus had just given us the Sacrament of Confession- now a priest could take God's place to hear our sins and tell us that we are forgiven.

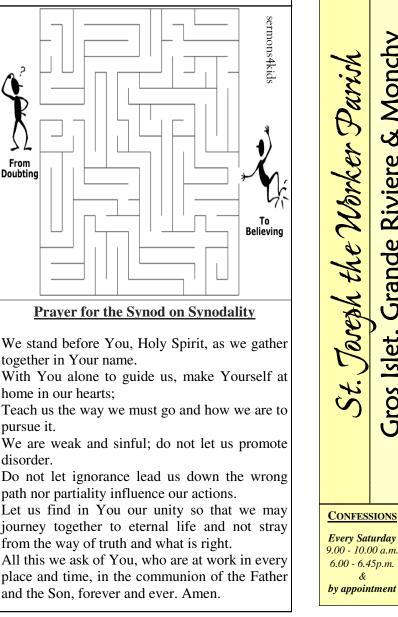
Today, the second Sunday of Easter, is also the feast of Divine Mercy. Mercy means being treated well even though we don't deserve it. God is so merciful that He wants to forgive ALL our sins, no matter how bad. All we have to do is be sorry and go to Confession.

God's Divine Mercy is so great that even the worst sinner in the world can be saved from Hell if he asks for it. But even our little sins hurt Jesus, so we need to ask God for mercy too. Don't ever imagine that God can't forgive you when you are sorry- remember, Jesus died on the cross so that 111 - - 11 - 4 - - - 4 - 11 -

you would be able to go to Heaven!	
Jesus, I Trust ín You!	We stand together With Yo
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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:	disorder. Do not l path nor Let us fi
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Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.	place and and the S

WHAT'S HAPPENING

◆The installation of Archbishop-Elect Gabriel takes place at the Minor Basilica on Sunday, April 24th at 4:00 p.m. The Priestly Ordination of Deacon Festus will be held at the Minor Basilica on Sunday, May 1st at 4:00 p.m. The ceremonies will be televised and live-streamed for your convenience.



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<u>ION 2020-DISCIPLES ON M</u> 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - 24TH APRIL, 2022 - YEAR C **First Reading** New Life. Acts 5:12-16 The prophet Daniel in a vision saw "One like the Son of Second Reading Apoc.1:9-13,17-19

Man" receive everlasting kingship. John is taken to heaven in today's Second Reading where he sees Daniel's prophecy fulfilled in Jesus, who appears "like a Son of Man." Jesus is clad in the robe of a High Priest and wearing the gold sash of a king. He has been exalted by the right hand of the Lord, as we sing in the Psalm. His risen body, which the Apos-tles touch in the Gospel, has been made a life-giving Spirit. As the Father anointed Him with the Spirit and power, Jesus pours out that Spirit on the Apostles, sending them into the pours out that Spirit on the Apostles, sending them into the world "as the Father has sent Me." Jesus "breathes" the Spirit of His divine life into the Apostles, as God blew the "breath of life" into Adam, as Elijah's prayer returned "the life breath" to the dead child, and as the Spirit breathed new life into the slain **u** in the valley of bones. His creative breath unites the Apostles -С His Church - to His body, and empowers them to breathe His an life into a dying world, to make it a new creation. In today's Gospel and First Reading, we see the Apostles fulfilling this mission with powers only God possesses - the power to forgive sins and to work "signs and wonders," a biblical expression only used to describe the mighty works of God. Sl Thomas and the others saw "many other signs" after Jesus was raised from the dead. They saw and they believed. They have been given His life, which continues in the Church's Word and sacraments, so that we who have not seen might inherit His blessings and "have life through His name."

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GROS ISLET Morning Prayers: 5:45a.m. ዮ MONDAY 6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m. ÷ TUESDAY 6:00 a.m. ₽ WEDNESDAY 6:00 a.m.& 12:30 p.m. G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m. - fb) 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. ዮ SUNDAY G/Islet/G.Riviere 7:30 a.m. ዮ **Gros Islet/Monchy**

10:00 a.m.

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Gospel

Jn.20:19-31

MASS TIMES

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."

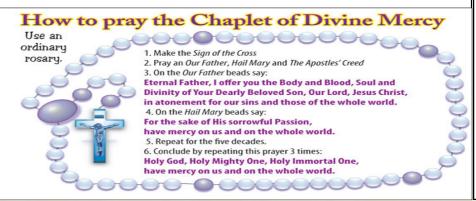
The two means Pope Francis underlines for becoming instruments of Divine Mercy are to forgive and to heal. To be disposed to do so, he says, is to be a channel of Christ's Peace. The mission the Church entrusts to us is to be a sign and instrument of the Father's Mercy and Christ's Peace, to keep alive 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



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Nellie Hall Martha Mason Iris Macauldy Patsy Crafton Carmen Lord Denis Augustin

DECEASED

Mary Jean Helena Heath Robert Joseph Wilson Jn. Baptiste Charmaine Blanchard Kathleen Ford Joseph

WEEKDAY READINGS ዮ **MONDAY** 1Pet.5:5-14 Mk.16:15-20 ት TUESDAY Acts 4:32-37 Jn.3:7-15 ት **WEDNESDAY** Acts 5:17-26 Jn.3:16-21 ዮ **THURSDAY** Acts 5:27-33 Jn.3:31-36 ዮ FRIDAY Acts 5:34-42 Jn.6:1-15 ት **SATURDAY** Acts 6:1-7 Jn.6:16-21

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MASS INTENTIONS				
GROS ISLET	CLERGY / RELIGIOUS	INTENTION		
	2nd Sunday of Easter - Year C			
Sat Apr 23 - 6:00 p.m.	GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD	Thks: Julitta Herman & family		
Sun Apr 24 - 7:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Sunday	FOR HE IS GOOD; HIS LOVE	MISSA PRO POPULO		
10:00 a.m.	ENDURES FOREVER.	Thks: Thecla Augustin		
Gr. Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		B'day: Diondre Desir James		
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.	PSALM 118:1	80th B'day: Francis Justin Ann: Leap of Faith Chorale		
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon Apr 25 - 6:00 a.m. St. Mark, Evangelist	Fr. Henry Nmor	Sp. Int: Joshua Muroi Thks: Diane & Richard Palton & family		
12:30 p.m.	Fr. Konrad Mair Fr. Kenneth Haakyav	Guid: Thomas Louis & family Holy Spirit: Maurice Oculi Deliv: Leroy, Donald & Trevor Heath		
Tue Apr 26 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Nathalbert Husbands Sr. Stephania Banda	Sp. Int: Joshua Muroi B'day: Alex Blanchard, Jesus Husbands		
Wed Apr 27 - 6:00 a.m.		Sp. Int: Joshua Muroi		
12:30 p.m.	Fr. Kevin Murray Rev. Gabriel Geoffrey	48th:Wedd Ann: Augustin & Martha Rosemond		
Gr. Riviere - 6:00 p.m.	ere - 6:00 p.m. Parishioners			
Thu Apr 28 - 6:00 a.m.		Deliv: Benoit Hyacinth		
12:30 p.m.	Fr. John Milton Rev. Gerard Calderon	Dc'd: Affuela Altenor, Dulipha Henry, Antoinese Edward, Marilyn Sancion		
Monchy - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners		
Fri Apr 29 - 6:00 a.m. St. Catherine of Siena Virgin & Doctor	Rev. David Popo Rev. Peter Fevrier	B'day: Zayne Dalson Deliv: Curneil Mathurin		
12:30 p.m.	Rev. Herald Wilson	Holy Spirit: Hyacinth family Mary Wellington & family		
Sat Apr 30 - 6:30 a.m.	Rev. Winston Taylor Sr. Margaret Maynard	Dc'd: Albert & Letitia Laurent Fr. Raymond Laurent, Holy Souls		