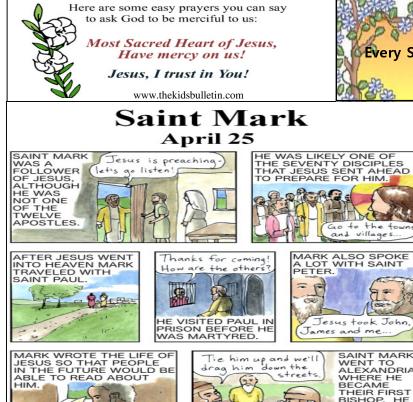
Kid's Page Divine Mercy Sunday

Today, besides being the second Sunday of Easter, we also celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy. It is the special day when we remember the mercy of God.

Mercy is when a person treats another better than they deserve. God does not owe us anything, since everything we have comes from Him. When we sin we offend God, but because He is merciful He forgives us when we are sorry.

Jesus' dying on the cross was the biggest act of mercy. He gave up His life so that we could be forgiven of our sins and go to Heaven! Thank God today for all He has given you, especially giving up His life so that you can go to Heaven!



THEIR FIRST BISHOP. HE DIED AS A MARTYR OR JESUS IN THE YEAR

SAINT MARK KNEW THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT JESUS, SO HE WROTE HIS STORY, OR GOSPEL. DO YOU EVER READ BIBLE STORIES? DO YOU PAY ATTENTION TO THE GOSPEL READING AT CHURCH? TRY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT JESUS SO YOU CAN BE MORE LIKE HIM!

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Deal Lord Thank you family and for the new for all the life we Celebrate at good things in our life. Easter. Amen Thank you for our friends and Every Sunrise is a Gift From God. **Happy Easter!** Can You Spot The Differences? (ministry-to-children.com) Thomas replied, "My Lord and My God!" Jesus said to him: "You believe because you can see me. Happy are

believe." In 20:28-29

USION 2020-DISCIPLES ON MISSION 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - 19TH APRIL 2020 - YEAR A His Mercy Endures Forever. **First Reading** Be are children of Jesus' Resurrection from the dead. Acts 2:42-47 Second Reading Through this wondrous sign of His great mercy, the Father of 1Pet.1:3-9 Jesus has given us new birth, as we hear in today's Epistle. The First Reading sketches the "family life" of our first ancestors Gospel in the household of God. We see them doing what we still do, Jn.20:19-31 Parish devoting themselves to the Apostles' teaching, meeting daily to pray and celebrate "the breaking of the bread". The Apostles saw MASS TIMES the Lord. He stood in their midst, showed them His hands and GROS ISLET sides. They heard His blessing and received His commission to extend the Father's mercy to all peoples through the power and Morning Prayers: 5:45a.m. Worker Spirit He conferred upon them. ት We must walk by faith and not by sight, must believe and love **O** MONDAY what we have not seen. Yet the invisible realities are made present 6:00 a. m<mark>./12:3</mark>0 p.m. for us through the devotions the Apostles handed on. Notice that 4 the experience of the risen Lord in the Gospel evokes the Mass. TUESDAY Both appearances take place on a Sunday. The Lord comes to be 6:00 a.m. 0) S with His disciples. They rejoice, listen to His Word, receive the ₽. th WEDNESDAY gift of His forgiveness and peace. He offers His wounded body to 12:30 & 6:00 p.m. them in remembrance of His Passion, and they know and worship Tareah G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m. Him as their Lord and their God. ጉ 🖓 Thomas' confession is a vow of faith in the new covenant. As THURSDAY 6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m. promised long before, in the blood of Jesus we can now know the Monchy: 6:00 p.m. Lord as our God and be known as His people. This confession is S sung in the heavenly liturgy, and in every Mass on earth we renew it FRIDAY our covenant and receive the blessings Jesus promised for those 6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m. S who have not seen but have believed. SATURDAY In the Mass, God's mercy endures forever, as we sing in the 6:30 a.m./7:00 p. m. Psalm. This is the day the Lord has made, when the victory of Easter is again made wonderful in our eyes SUNDAY G/Islet/G.Riviere (excerpt: stpaulcenter.com) 7:30 a.m. CONFESSIONS Parish Priest: Msgr. Michel Francis **Gros Islet/Monchy** Deacons: Rev. Winston Taylor, Rev. Gerard Calderon **Every Saturday** 10:00 a.m. Rev. Anthony Louis. Rev. Madison Stanislaus. 9.00 - 10.00 a.m. ት Address: P.O. Box Choc 8192, Castries LC02 801, Saint Lucia 6.00 - 6.45p.m. Tel: (758) 450-8325 / (758) 450-9390 Cell: (758) 285-8831 HOLIDAY X 7:00 a.m. Email: st.joseph_church@hotmail.com st.joseph_church@candw.lc those who have not seen and yet by appointment Website: www.grosisletchurch.org [‡] Facebook: facebook.com/grosisletchurch ዮ

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)

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Use the Rosary beads and begin with: Our Father... Hail Mary... The Apostles' Creed.

On the large bead before each decade: 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.

> On the ten small beads of each decade say: For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion, Have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude by saying three times: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

<u>PLEASE PRAY FOR</u> THE SICK

Martha Mason Iris Macauldy Priscillia Henry Luvina Joseph Mary Sonson Nellie Hall

DECEASED

Ancillia Louis Theresa Andrew Junior Peter Felix Theresa Joseph

WEEKDAY READINGS ዮ MONDAY Acts4:23-31 Jn.3:1-8 ÷ TUESDAY Acts4:32-37 Jn.3:7-15 ዮ WEDNESDAY Acts5:17-26 Jn.3:16-21 ት THURSDAY Acts5:27-33 Jn.3:31-36 ዮ FRIDAY Acts5:34-42 Jn.6:1-15 ዮ **SATURDAY** 1Pet.5:5-14 Mk.16:15-20 ዮ

MASS INTENTIONS		
2nd Sunday of Easter - year a		
Sun April 19 Divine Mercy Sunday	B'day: Leonie Lesmond Emily Promesse Thks: Children of Emily Promesse	Rejoice
Mon April 20	Dc'd: Angelina & Antonia Jean	7 1324
Tue April 21	Wedd Ann: David & Veronica Louis	HE IS RISEN
Wed April 22	Dc'd: Marie Headley, Marcia Pilgrim	08000
Thu April 23 St. George, Martyr	B'day: Kathleen Ferdinand	Give thanks to the Lord,
Fri April 24	Dc'd: Theonie Gaillard Remy & Chong families Friends of David & Mary Popo	for He is good; His love endures forever.
Sat April 25 St. Mark, Evangelist	Dc'd: Alvina George, Jane Joseph Theresa St. Rose, Charlotte Als	Psalm 118:1

ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST

We know of Mark mostly through his authorship of his Gospel. He was the cousin and disciple of Barnabas, as well as the disciple of Peter and Paul. Mark joined Paul and Barnabas on Paul's first missionary journey, but there was a falling out between Mark and Paul, and Mark returned home before the journey was over. About ten years later we find him in Rome as Peter's secretary and interpreter, translating Peter's Aramaic preaching into Greek and Latin. Later on Paul and Mark worked together again in apparent harmony, for Paul calls him very useful in spreading the Gospel (2Tim.4:11) and a source of great consolation (Col.4:10) because of his fidelity.

The audience for Mark's writings was the gentile Christians living in Rome. In a general way, the Gospel of Mark can be seen as a living mirror of Peter's preaching since Peter was Mark's main source for the story of Jesus' life. (Mark is known as the "mouthpiece of Peter".) Peter refers to him as "my son Mark" in his First Letter, and it is possible that Peter baptized him. Mark may have actually been an eyewitness to some of the events in the life of Jesus, for only in Mark's Gospel do we find the account of the young man who followed Jesus after His arrest and how the linen cloth about the young man's body had been left behind as the authorities tried to seize him. As some Scripture scholars phrase it, this little recorded episode is a kind of "signature" of Mark to his authorship of the second Gospel.

The first words of Mark's Gospel very boldly affirm the divinity of Christ: "The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." This statement is key to understanding Mark's Gospel. All the works, miracles, teaching and words of Jesus recorded by Mark are meant to authenticate the fact of Jesus' Divine Sonship. Mark ends his Gospel as he began: "Truly this man was the Son of God!" (Mark15:39).

Mark founded the Church of Alexandria in Egypt where he died as a martyr. His relics are currently venerated in St. Mark's Basilica in Venice. His symbol is the winged lion, and is the patron saint of lawyers and notaries.