

Upcoming Events

- **Pancake Breakfast:** Sunday, April 26
After the 9:30 Mass



Divine Mercy

There is something deeply fitting about the Church placing Divine Mercy Sunday immediately after Easter. The Resurrection is not just the victory of Christ over death—it is the revelation of His mercy in its fullest form. The Risen Lord does not return to His disciples with reproach or condemnation, but with peace: “*Peace be with you.*” He comes bearing the wounds of His Passion, not erased, but glorified—signs that His mercy is not abstract, but costly and real. In the Gospel, we see the apostles locked in fear, burdened by their failures. Peter has denied Christ. The others have fled. Yet Jesus enters precisely into that fear and failure. He breathes on them and gives them the authority to forgive sins. This is no small detail—it shows us that mercy is at the very heart of the Church’s mission. And then there is Thomas. He is often remembered for his doubt, but his story is really about mercy. Jesus does not reject him for his skepticism. Instead, He meets him where he is, inviting him to touch His wounds. Thomas encounters not a distant or disappointed God, but a merciful Savior who desires his faith. His response—“*My Lord and my God!*”—is one of the most profound acts of faith in the Gospel. Divine Mercy Sunday reminds us of a simple but challenging truth: God never tires of offering His mercy, but we often tire of asking for it—or of extending it to others. For us, this day is an invitation to do three things: First, **to trust in God’s mercy**. No sin is greater than His love. No past is beyond His healing. We are not defined by our worst moments, but by His mercy. Second, **to receive His mercy**, especially in the Sacrament of Confession. The same risen Christ who stood before the apostles continues to forgive sins through His Church. This is not just a ritual—it is a personal encounter with mercy. Third, **to become instruments of mercy**. It is not enough to receive it; we are sent to give it. In a world that often holds grudges and keeps score, mercy stands out. Forgiveness, patience, compassion—these are not signs of weakness, but of divine strength at work in us. The message of Divine Mercy, entrusted to St. Faustina, is simple but demanding: *Jesus, I trust in You*. To say those words sincerely is to place our lives, our sins, our fears, and our future into His hands. This Sunday, don’t keep your distance like the apostles in the upper room. Step forward like Thomas. Bring your doubts, your wounds, your need for mercy—and let the Risen Lord meet you there.

Hay algo profundamente apropiado en que la Iglesia coloque el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia inmediatamente después de la Pascua. La Resurrección no es solo la victoria de Cristo sobre la muerte—es la manifestación de su misericordia en su forma más plena. El Señor resucitado no vuelve a sus discípulos con reproches o condenas, sino con paz: «*La paz esté con ustedes*». Viene llevando las heridas de su Pasión, no borradas, sino glorificadas—signos de que su misericordia no es algo abstracto, sino costoso y real. En el Evangelio, vemos a los apóstoles encerrados por miedo, cargando con sus fracasos. Pedro ha negado a Cristo. Los demás han huido. Sin embargo, Jesús entra precisamente en ese miedo y en ese fracaso. Sopla sobre ellos y les da la autoridad de perdonar los pecados. Este no es un detalle menor—nos muestra que la misericordia está en el corazón mismo de la misión de la Iglesia. Y luego está Tomás. A menudo se le recuerda por su duda, pero su historia es en realidad una historia de misericordia. Jesús no lo rechaza por su escepticismo. Al contrario, lo encuentra donde está, invitándolo a tocar sus heridas. Tomás se encuentra no con un Dios distante o decepcionado, sino con un Salvador misericordioso que desea su fe. Su respuesta—«*¡Señor mío y Dios mío!*»—es uno de los actos de fe más profundos en todo el Evangelio. El Domingo de la Divina Misericordia nos recuerda una verdad sencilla pero exigente: Dios nunca se cansa de ofrecernos su misericordia, pero nosotros a menudo nos cansamos de pedirla—o de ofrecerla a los demás. Para nosotros, este día es una invitación a hacer tres cosas: Primero, **confiar en la misericordia de Dios**. Ningún pecado es más grande que su amor. Ningún pasado está fuera de su sanación. No estamos definidos por nuestros peores momentos, sino por su misericordia. Segundo, **recibir su misericordia**, especialmente en el sacramento de la Confesión. El mismo Cristo resucitado que se presentó ante los apóstoles continúa perdonando los pecados por medio de su Iglesia. Esto no es solo un rito—es un encuentro personal con la misericordia. Tercero, **convertirnos en instrumentos de misericordia**. No basta con recibirla; somos enviados a darla. En un mundo que a menudo guarda rencor y lleva la cuenta, la misericordia sobresale. El perdón, la paciencia, la compasión—no son signos de debilidad, sino de la fuerza divina actuando en nosotros. El mensaje de la Divina Misericordia, confiado a Santa Faustina, es sencillo pero exigente: *Jesús, en Ti confío*. Decir esas palabras con sinceridad es poner nuestra vida, nuestros pecados, nuestros miedos y nuestro futuro en sus manos. Este domingo, no te quedes a distancia como los apóstoles en el cenáculo. Acércate como Tomás. Lleva tus dudas, tus heridas, tu necesidad de misericordia—y deja que el Señor resucitado te encuentre allí.

Next Sunday's Readings

April 19, 2026

3rd Sunday of Easter

1st Reading – Acts 2:14, 22-33
Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 16
2nd Reading – 1 Peter 1:17-21
Gospel – Luke 24:13-35

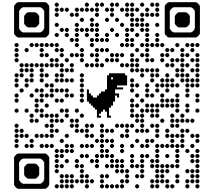
Lecturas del próximo domingo

19 de abril de 2026

3 Domingo de Pascua

Primera lectura: Hechos 2, 14. 22-33
Salmo responsorial: Salmo 15
Segunda lectura: 1 Pedro 1, 17-21
Evangelio: Lucas 24, 13-35

Mass Readings



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Lecturas diarias



Religious Education News
VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS NEEDED!!!
Please contact Doreen Kennedy if interested.



In your kindness, please remember in your prayers...

Those who are ill or who suffer in any way, that God will assist them in their need, especially:
Jim Tafoya, Penny Bassford, John Arambula, Carol Chamberlin, David Martel, Larry Rose, Marc Coughlin,
May they find relief in God's hands. Amen.

Those who are homebound :
Mavis Hanspeter Oerph, Victor Donato, Deborah Valenzuela, Grace Blye, Janelle Smith, Marilyn Britton,
Tim Sheehan, Martha Martinez, Virginia Dorton, Rocky Riley, Elizabeth Lewis,
May they be in God's hands. Amen.

Those who have died:
Fr. George Gonzales, Fr. Tom Burns, Bertha Dunham, Mark Ingold, Henrietta Abajian, Jeanne Saleh, Pope Francis , Donald Cottler, Tina Weddendorf Nichols, Brian Golder, Danny Villanueva, Fr. Neil Fuller, Dana Coussa, Chuck Tinucci, Pat Petersen, Ernest Navarro, Don Connell, Col. John Telles, Manuel Munoz,
May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Parish Ministries

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Annulment Advocate	Doreen Kennedy	(909) 725-3315
Bereavement	Deacon Rick Bassford	(909) 338-4017
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Guadalupanos	Cece Villanueva	(909) 338-2303
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Mission Circle	Chuck Abajian	(909) 518-0389
Pancake Breakfast	Mel Abrams	(951) 452-1506
Prayer Circle	Carol Chamberlin	(909) 338-6178
Respect Life	Dave Golder	(909) 338-0130

Diocesan Development Fund (DDF)

Diocese Goal: \$8,900
Pledges Made: \$9,670
Gifts Received: \$3,945
Donors: 13
Percent of Goal: 44.33 %
As of: March 9 24 2026



Food Scrip

An easy way to support the parish. We receive 6% back for grocery gift cards purchased. See a Representative of the Knights of Columbus after Mass to buy Scrip gift cards.

Una manera sencilla de apoyar a la parroquia. Recibimos un 6% de reembolso por cada tarjeta de regalo de supermercado que compre. Después de misa, hable con un representante de los Caballeros de Colón para comprar tarjetas de regalo Scrip.



Veterans: For assistance with Veteran's outreach services, claims, and counseling, contact Mike Brewer, (760) 550-8083.



Knights of Columbus ~ Catholic men's organization to support and promote the Catholic Church. There is much good and necessary work to be done in this world, within our parish, and the Knights are committed to assisting. Please contact Dave Golder (909) 338-0130