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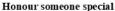
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April 7, 2024 ~ Second Sunday of Easter



The Thomas Dilemma

Will is a widower, now in his eighties. He calls every once in a while, partly to talk but really wanting to know how he can convince his grown children and grandchildren to come back to church. He tells me they're good people, but he would like them to have faith. It's been a mainstay in his life, he tells me, something that has gotten him through many difficulties. He loves his family but says their life would be so much richer if they had an active faith life. I try to tell Will he can't argue them into faith. At most he can share with them how faith has been a blessing in his life, hoping that it might then spark an interest in them.

The disciples in the Gospel story about "Doubting Thomas" experienced Will's dilemma. They were unable to convince Thomas that the Lord had risen. He insisted that he would only believe when he could put his fingers and hands into Jesus' wounds, which of course is just what happens the next time they are gathered. For Thomas, words were not enough; he needed the experience. Sometimes that's true for us. We've heard the truth, but we haven't experienced the truth as real or relevant or something we cannot live without. The experience of grave need and then surrendering to God is what many need to remain faithful. Meanwhile, the faithful pray for those who do not believe, especially those we dearly love.

> Fr. Joseph Juknialis Liguori Publications

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Website: www.stteresa.ca Parish Office Hours Monday to Friday 9:00 - 4:00 pm Our bulletin is available online.



Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday: 7:00pm Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00am (Weekday holidays - Mass moves to 9:00am) Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions included in Wednesday Mass Adoration follows Friday Mass.

Masses are available online

Reconciliation

Wednesday 6:30 - 7:00pm & Saturday 3:00 - 4:00pm or call the parish office for an individual appointment with a priest.

Marriages

A minimum of six months advance notice is required. A marriage preparation program is required to be married in the church.

Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule the pre-baptism course and for more information. A copy of the child's birth certificate must be provided before the baptism.

Visit us on the web at www.stteresa.ca

Collection March 29, 30 & 31, 2024

Good Friday \$4,290.00 (Total \$4,525.00) Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday \$10,937.00 (Total \$11,417.00)

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Acknowledged with gratitude.

The Provincial Chapter Meeting is scheduled from April 8 - 12. As the entire Redemptorist community here at St. Teresa's will be attending, there will be no weekday masses celebrated in the parish next week. The office will remain open for regular hours and all previously scheduled meetings will proceed as usual. There will be someone staying in the rectory during the week for reasons of safety and security.

Please keep the Redemptorists in your prayers, especially during the week, as we gather together.



Attention everyone re Redemptorist 101! Our series continues in the church.

NOTE Next Dates:

Tuesday April 23 & Thursday May 30 Presenters: Fr. David & Anne & Fr. Tony Are you interested in knowing more about the priests who serve St. Teresa's? Join the Redemptorists and the Redemptorist Associates. This is an opportunity to learn more about who the Redemptorists are, Redemptorist Spirituality, where they minister and what they do. We encourage everyone to attend and participate in this enriching experience. Thank you.



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who purchased Fish & Brewis on Good Friday, March 29. Your support was very much appreciated.



2024 Trouters Special Fundraiser

4th winner of \$1,000 – Carolyn Buccongello (#0875) Congratulations!

Next draw: Wed, Apr 10/24, 10am, Parish Office 289 tickets available at the Parish Office M-F, 9-4. 5 more Weekly Draws of \$1,000 &

Final Draw on May 15 for the \$10,000 Grand Prize plus five \$1,000 prizes.

\$20,000 more in prizes to be won.

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Congratulations to the thirty-two children who were confirmed by Archbishop Peter Hundt in our parish April 4th. Compliments to the families for following through on the baptismal commitment. The next step in the process of initiation will

be First Communion. Preparation will begin soon with the sacramental celebration happening May 12th Mother's Day at 1 p.m. Please pray for the children and their families to know God's peace and strength for the journey. Be sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Volunteers needed

We are seeking volunteers for - Greeters: 5pm Saturday Mass, Eucharistic ministers: 9am Sunday Mass. You will receive guidance and training if needed. Schedules are prepared monthly and are posted by email and in printed copy at the back of the church.

Please call the office at 709-579-0065 and leave vour name and contact information.

Ministry is your way to "full, active participation" in the liturgy.

St. Thomas, you proclaimed "My Lord and my God" when you encountered the Risen Christ. Give us the strength to profess our faith boldly, even in the face of doubt and adversity. May we never waver in our belief in Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Pray for us, St. Thomas, that we may have the courage to stand firm in our faith.



Let's Talk About Laudato Si'

A Six Week Book Study of Pope Francis' Letter on care for Our Common Home.

Join 118 of St. T. Join us at St Teresa's Church Thursday evenings April 18 – May 23, at 7:00 pm

To Register Please Email: rafftcssr@gmail.com Space is limited

Dear Padre.

What is Divine Mercy Sunday?

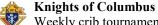
Pope John Paul II declared Sr. Faustina Kowalska a saint of the Church on April 30, 2000, and in a decree dated May 23, 2000, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments stated that "throughout the world the Second Sunday of Easter will receive the name Divine Mercy Sunday, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that [we] will experience in the years to come."

Saint Faustina was born in 1905 and spent most of her life in Poland, in the Congregation of the Virgin Mary of Mercy. She experienced an extraordinary union with God. She received exceptional graces, revelations, visions, hidden stigmata, the ability to read souls, and the gift of prophecy.

One of the images that was revealed to Faustina was If you are using a post dated cheque in your that of the merciful Jesus, touching his Sacred Heart, from which beams of red and white light came forth. This image and her devotion to the divine mercies gathered thousands of supporters throughout the world. We still see the traditional image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in many of our churches today. In some churches, we might see the newer image, inspired by the saint. Saint Faustina Kowalska died in 1938 at the age of thirty-three, leaving an impressive mystical legacy. She is a disciple of God's divine mercy for the

twenty-first century.

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org



Weekly crib tournament - every Tuesday, 7pm, St. Teresa's Room, church basement. Enter by west side basement door.

April 14 - Third Sunday of Easter First Reading - Acts 3.13-15, 17-19

Second Reading - 1 John 2.1-5

Gospel - Luke 24.35-48

Mass Intentions April 8 - 14

Monday 7:00pm No Mass Tuesday 8:00am No Mass Wednesday 7:00pm No Mass Thursday 8:00am No Mass Friday 8:00am No Mass Saturday 5:00pm Mary Blanchard, Bernard Madden, Brian Murphy Sunday 9:00am The Parishioners 11:00am Patrick, Gertrude, Craig and Felix Morrissey, Margaret Clarke, Linda Doyle



A Word from Pope Francis

The story of Thomas is in fact the story of every believer. There are times of difficulty when life seems to belie faith, moments of crisis when we

need to touch and see. Like Thomas, it is precisely in those moments that we rediscover the heart of Christ, the Lord's mercy.

Homily, Rome, April 24, 2022

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is scheduled for May 4, 2024, at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 200 Military Rd, St. John's. Couples can register using the following link:

Marriage Preparation Registration | Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. John's (rcsi.org)

Once registered, couples will receive additional information outlining the session and schedule.