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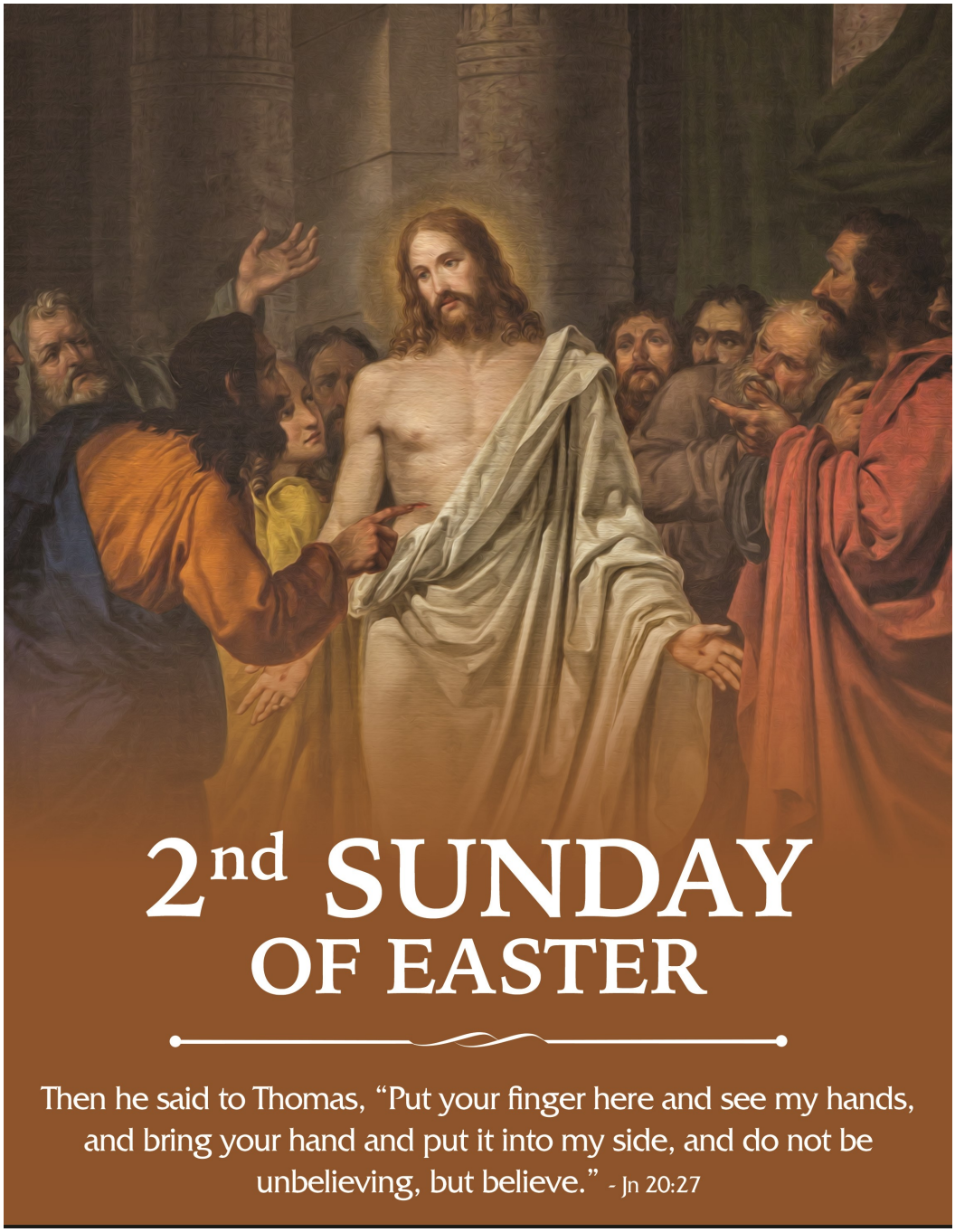

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20:27

CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

SATURDAY MASS
5PM

SUNDAY MASSES
8AM, 10AM, 12NOON, 2PM, & 5PM

LIVE STREAMING

DAILY MASS
MONDAY|WEDNESDAY|FRIDAY 12NOON
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WELCOME

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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY/DOMINGO
8:00 a.m. (Español Televised)
10:00 a.m. (English)
12:00 p.m. (Español)
2:00 p.m. (English)
5:00 p.m. (Bilingual)

MONDAY/LUNES | FRIDAY/VIERNES
12:05 p.m.

SATURDAY/SABADO
5:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

WEEKDAYS 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
SATURDAY 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
SUNDAY 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER VICTOR

UN MENSAJE DEPARTE DEL PADRE VICTOR

April 11, 2021
2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. "Mercy is the heart of God," Pope Francis tells us. The image of a heart has been used to point to the very life source of a person as it is the organ that allows life to flow through our veins and sustain us. Mercy is the heart of God. Imagine this dynamic, powerful, compassionate, piercing, embracing, loving, propelling, penetrating, absorbing, and enveloping, transforming presence of God flowing into the very depth of our souls. It is God's mercy that allows blood to flow through our veins. It is God's mercy that forms every atom of our being and leads us to what is true. God's mercy reveals all superficiality and falsehood, and lays bare all distortions, empty promises, weakness, and sin.

"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope," Pope Francis continues. God's all forgiving, compassionate love is with us. When we finally believe and accept that Christ's resurrected transfigured presence resides with us, we then find within us a strong confidence to accept life's imperfections and disappointments and move on. Every day is a new adventure in new life. God leaves the past behind and opens doors to the future. It doesn't matter how many mistakes we made yesterday. All that matters is what we do tomorrow and what we learn along the way. It is so easy to remain tethered and mired in the past, but there is no need to do so. God is all about tomorrow and the work God has yet to do in our lives.

Mercy gives birth to hope. Hope for the greatest of sinners and hope for the worst of disasters. There is nothing God cannot do and nothing God cannot fashion. After all, everything we know and treasure was once nothing, and look what God did with the nothing God had! The resurrected Christ stands before us with nail marks in his wrists and wounds on his body as a testament that not even injustice, suffering and death can trample over and destroy God's mercy. What have we to fear? Why do we keep ourselves from peace? Our lack of faith prevents us from going forward and fully receiving the holiness God desires to breathe upon us. Breathe in God's mercy, allow the wind of God's presence to kiss all of your sins and caress all of your fears. Exhale peace.

Fr. Victor Valdez

11 de abril de 2021
2° Domingo de Pascua (La Divina Misericordia)

La Misericordia de Dios sigue manifestándose por medio de las apariciones de Jesús. Primero a María Magdalena y luego a los otros discípulos. El primer signo de este amor misericordioso de Dios se hace presente en la paz que Jesús ofrece a sus discípulos. *"¡La paz este con ustedes!" (Juan 20:21).* Esa paz que nos ofrece a nosotros en la actualidad. La Paz de Cristo que vence los miedos a las complicaciones en el trabajo o en la familia. Que vence también el miedo a la pobreza material y espiritual. El miedo que teníamos o que tenemos de acercarnos a Dios en la Eucaristía por la pandemia, ese miedo que todos tenemos al contagio del virus por falta de cuidado de muchos que nos rodean.

Pidamos al Señor, en este Domingo de la Misericordia, reflexionando desde el fondo del corazón. Señor, que tu Resurrección nos libere del miedo, que estemos seguros que Tú siempre estás con nosotros. El Santo Papa San Juan Pablo II dijo sobre la misericordia de Dios lo siguiente: *"Dios, Padre misericordioso, que has revelado tu amor en tu Hijo Jesucristo y lo has derramado sobre nosotros en el Espíritu Santo, Consolador, te encomendamos hoy el destino del mundo y de todo hombre".* Es conveniente ahora que volvamos la mirada a este misterio: lo están sugiriendo múltiples experiencias de la Iglesia y del hombre contemporáneo; lo exigen también las invocaciones de tantos corazones humanos, con sus sufrimientos y esperanzas, sus angustias y expectación". ¿Qué piensas tú de la Divina Misericordia? ¿Eres devoto de ella?

Fr. Victor Valdez

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SCAN TO DONATE

Week of March 29, 2021 to April 4, 2021			
Collections	$13,488.53	Online Giving	$2,614.92

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 10, 2021

5:00 pm	Souls of Purgatory	Rosalinda Bautista
	Marivic & John Kane	

Sunday, April 11, 2021

10:00 am	+Choco Gonzalez Meza	Daniel Meza & Family
12:00 pm	For San Fernando Community	
2:00 pm	+Irma Nicolas	Cheri & Dickie Longoria & Family
	Thanksgiving St. Lucy	Margarita Loya
5:00 pm	For Those Affected by Covid19	

Monday, April 12, 2021

12:05 pm	+Jesusa Tristan	Family
	+Walter L. Patag	Family

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

12:05 pm	For San Fernando Staff & their Families	

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

12:05 pm	+Dña Maximina Reviriego Gomez	Familia

Thursday, April 15, 2021

12:05 pm	The Clergy of the Archdiocese of San Antonio	

Friday, April 16, 2021

12:05 pm	+Angelita Gonzalez Treviño	Familia

WEEKLY READINGS

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/ 1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/ Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/ Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21

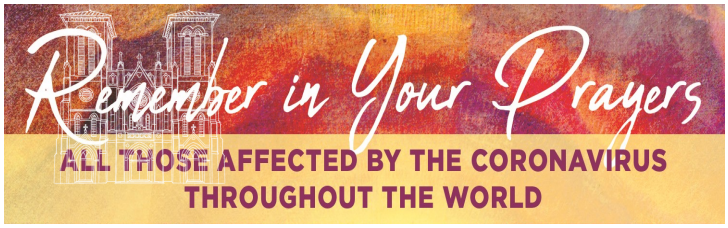
Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/ 1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

OBSERVANCES OF THE WEEK

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Tuesday: St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter



PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Almighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Carolyn Wright
Rosie Heredia
Mireya Perez
Guadalupe Valdez
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UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Kids Corner

READ THE GOSPEL & COLOR

After Jesus died, his disciples were afraid the Jewish leaders would kill them, too. They hid together in one room. They locked the doors and windows. Then Jesus appeared in front of them. They were not afraid any more. When you are afraid, Jesus will help you too. Tell him why you are afraid. Believe in Jesus. He will give you everything you need. He wants you to live with him forever in heaven.

PRAYER

Jesus, I believe in you. Lead me to your heavenly home.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will ask Jesus to help me and my family when we are afraid.

LOS PADRECITOS
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GIFT SHOP HOURS
Mon - Fri 9:00am - 3:00pm
Saturday Noon– 5:00pm
Sunday 8:30am - 3:30pm

Gift Shop: 210-357-5608

PARISH MINISTRIES

MEETING TIMES

Hijas de Maria
(Junta en Español/Spanish)
1st Sunday of the Month
11 am - La Sala (Above Poblanos)
Contact: Gloria Gonzalez
210-533-7475

Knights of Columbus -(English)
2nd Sunday of the Month
3:30pm - San Juan Room
231 W Commerce
Contact: Deacon Joseph Marroquin
972-800-8095

Guadalupano Society-(English)
3rd Saturday of the Month
9:30am - Cathedral Choir Rm (Above Gift Shop)
Contact: Maggie Marroquin
214-605-9124

Grupo de Oracion
Every Tuesday (Junta en Español)
7:00pm - Concepcion Room
Contact: Rosa Escobedo
210-717-2612

Chorale
Every Wednesday
7:00pm - 8:15pm
Cathedral Choir Rm

Mariachi Choir
Every Thursday
6:30pm - 9pm San Jose Rm

Coro Sagrado
Every Thursday
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Cathedral Choir Rm

Knots of Hope
(Prayer Quilt Group)
3rd Thursday of the Month
2:00pm - 4:30pm
Concepcion Rm
Cati Reyna
Contact: 210-748-9948

Youth Ministry
Adriana Holguin
210-544-7173

Pedaling for Christ
Troy Sanorski
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THE VENUES AT SAN FERNANDO CATHEDRAL

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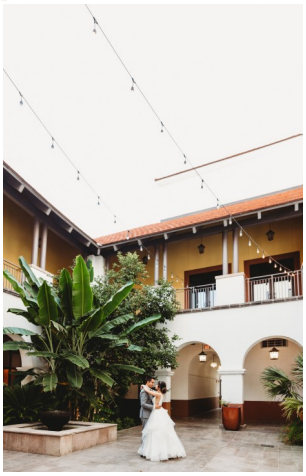
EXPERIENCE THE CATHEDRAL

Founded in 1731, the historic cathedral continues to host thousands of visitors each year. The oldest cathedral sanctuary in the United States, the mother church of San Antonio's Archdiocese, also the cultural and geographic center of San Antonio. Surrounded by its distinctive carvings, the nave is a beautiful and glorious space adorned by stained glass windows and Gothic style architecture

THE VENUES AT SAN FERNANDO



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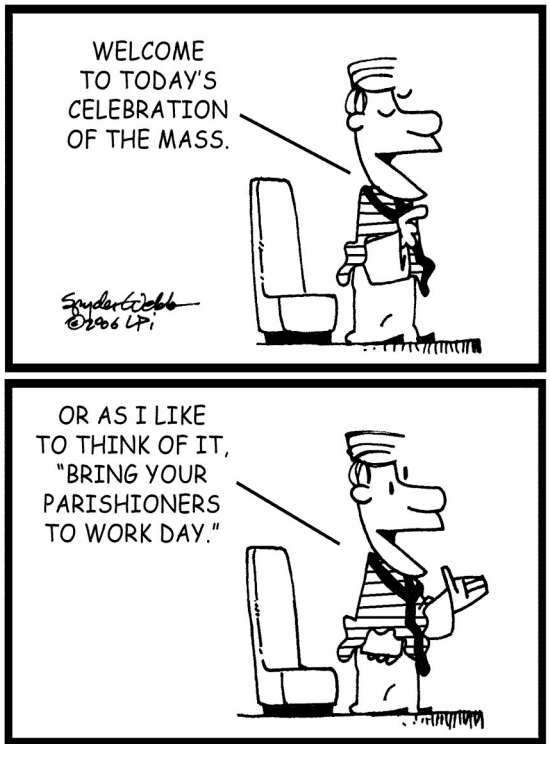
LITURGICAL LIFE

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Alleluia! Forgiveness has risen from the grave! What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. When experienced, we are moved to do all in our power to avoid sin and embrace the loving presence of our risen God. God stands ever ready to receive us and wants nothing more than for us to come hoe. How reluctant we are to believe this truth! We want proof, tangible evidence and absolute assurance that what we have been told is true. Jesus has risen from the dead and brings us peace. It is the gift of wholeness and holiness that is breathed upon us by God's life-giving and healing mercy. May the rays of love that flow from the heart of Christ pierce ours!

WHY ARE PRIESTS TRANSFERRED FROM ONE PARISH TO ANOTHER? HOW IS THAT DECIDED?

Bishops take the appointment of pastors to parishes very seriously and the decision to assign or transfer priests is one of the most important decisions bishops can make, effecting the lives of everyone in the parish community.

In 1984, the bishops of the United States implemented a six-year term limit for pastors (which can be renewed by bishop); term limits for associate pastors vary from diocese to diocese. Sometimes a particular priest is assigned to a parish or chaplaincy to respond to specific issues (such as a parish merger, a fundraising campaign, or because he has special qualifications that make him a good fit for the community). In the case of new or recently ordained priests, the vibrancy and diversity, the presence of a school, or certain social programs offer invaluable training and ongoing formation.

In making their decisions regarding the placement of priests, most bishops rely on a priest personnel committee or a council of priests. There is also a period of dialogue with the priest(s) who will be moved, sometimes even including an extended period of discernment and self-assessment, helping to be as sure as possible that the assignment of a particular community will truly benefit the people and be a healthy one for the priest himself.

EYE HAS NOT SEEN

They say seeing is believing. But if you've ever ordered a pair of pants online, you know that's not always the case. Whatever the photos promise us, what looked like a perfectly nice shade of navy blue on our computer screens comes in the mail as an unusual shade of blue green that only appears in the giant box of Crayola crayons.

The Apostle Thomas, who couldn't bring himself to accept that Jesus had risen from the dead without seeing him, is such an utterly relatable figure in the Gospels. Thomas is still reeling from a loss — not only of his good friend but his Lord, who was taken prisoner and crucified before his eyes. Thomas is guarding himself. He's not believing the hype. He's going to be the only judge of what is real and what is fiction.

Would any of us be any different? We've all had those thoughts. Can we believe it all — Jesus, salvation history, the Eucharist — when we haven't seen it with our own two eyes?
That's when we need to remember that those two eyes were absolutely positive they had ordered a pair of navy blue pants.

It's easy for us to sit back stroking our chins in judgment at Thomas, "you didn't believe the testimony of your friends!" But do we accept the testimony of our friends? The saints, the popes, the Church fathers themselves?

Sometimes the things that are most worthy of believing can't be seen with the naked eye.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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PRAYER FOR PRIESTS (USCCB):
Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests.
Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.
Help our priests to be strong in their vocation.
Set their souls on fire with love for your people.
Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.
Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.
Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel.
Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.
Help them to become instruments of your divine grace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest.
Amen.

ORACIÓN POR LOS SACERDOTES (USCCB):
Dios todopoderoso y lleno de bondad, te damos gracias por el don de nuestros sacerdotes.
Por medio de ellos, experimentamos tu presencia en los sacramentos.
Ayuda a nuestros sacerdotes a ser fuertes en su vocación.
Inflama sus almas con el fuego de tu amor por tu pueblo.
Concédeles la sabiduría, el entendimiento y la fortaleza que necesitan para seguir las huellas de Jesús.
Inspírales la visión de tu Reino.
Dales las palabras que necesitan para difundir el Evangelio.
Permíteles experimentar gozo en su ministerio.
Ayúdales a ser instrumentos de tu gracia divina.
Te pedimos esto por medio de Jesucristo, que vive y reina como nuestro Eterno Sacerdote.
Amén.