



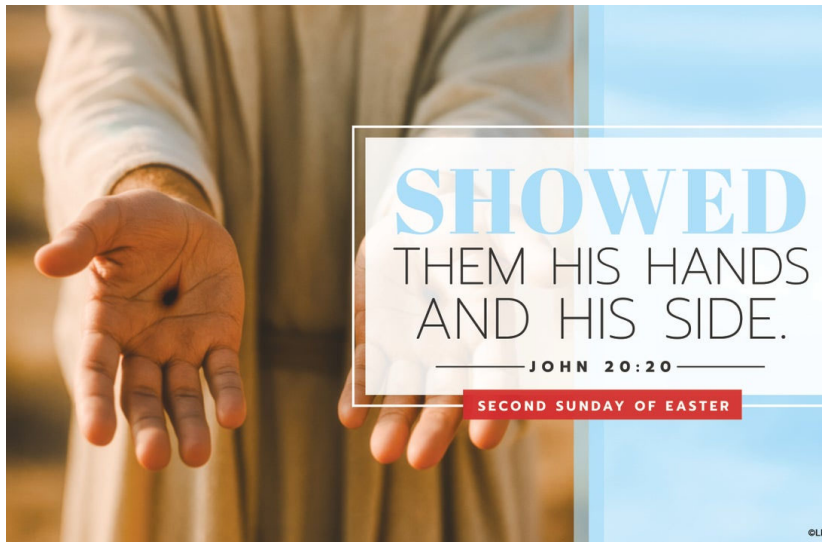
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APRIL 12, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER | SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

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Special Thanks!!!

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! As we celebrate the glorious light of the Resurrection, I want to extend my deepest gratitude to everyone who made our Holy Week and Easter liturgies so incredibly beautiful and deeply prayerful.

Thank you to our dedicated liturgical ministers—our lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, and ushers—who served with such reverence and grace. To our choirs, your voices and instrumentation truly elevated our worship and lifted our hearts to God.

Finally, a very special thank you to every member of the great crew responsible for the amazing decorations throughout this sacred time. Your quiet, behind-the-scenes hard work transformed our sanctuary and visually communicated the joy of the Paschal Mystery.

Because of your generous sacrifices of time and talent, our parish was able to enter more deeply into the mystery of our salvation. May the peace and hope of the Risen Lord bless you and your families!

In the Risen Christ,
Fr. Angelo David



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Vigil:
Saturday 5:00pm

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

Sunday 9:00am and Daily
Masses are **Live Streamed**
on our website

stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass

DAILY MASS

Mon - Sat: 8:30am

Rosary - 8:00am

Live-Stream & in church

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm
(in church)

ADORATION

Mondays - 9:00-10:00am
Thursdays - 7:00-8:00pm

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9:00am - 3:00pm

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REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:

In the immediate aftermath of Jesus' resurrection and ascension, the community of believers in Jerusalem experienced much joy and harmony. *In what ways do you help build up your faith community?*

Second Reading:

With Jesus' resurrection from the dead, Peter can now speak of an inheritance that awaits all believers and will one day be revealed to us. *How should knowledge of this upcoming gift impact our living in the present moment?*

Gospel:

Thomas needed concrete evidence before he would believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. *What convinces you that Jesus is risen and alive?*

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The Christian steward approaches life with an "Easter vision," rooted in gratitude for and confidence in the salvation our Lord has won for us through His death and Resurrection. Today's readings on this Divine Mercy Sunday show how that vision is lived out in daily life and remind us that we can place complete trust in the mercy of God to lead us, step by step, toward heaven.

Our first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, describes this beautiful way of life as practiced by the first Christians: "They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers." And, "They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people." This is a snapshot of the first community of Christian stewards living daily stewardship — embracing prayer through the breaking of the bread, formation through the teaching of the apostles, hospitality through communal life and joyful fellowship, and service through their care for one another. What an inspiration for us as modern-day stewards.

The Easter season is not a time to relax in the practice of our faith now that Lent is behind us. Rather, it is a time to live our faith with even deeper joy and gratitude as we celebrate our Lord's victory over sin and death. St. Peter captures this Easter outlook beautifully in our second reading: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is ... kept in heaven for you." This should shape the way we live each day. At the same time, St. Peter acknowledges that the Christian life is not without hardship: "In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials."

Certainly, it can be difficult to keep our eyes fixed on heaven when earthly concerns — job stress, family struggles, health worries, political division — loom so large. At times, we can find ourselves becoming cynical like the Apostle Thomas in today's Gospel, before his encounter with the merciful Savior. Not present when Jesus first appeared to the other Apostles after the Resurrection, Thomas refused to believe their witness that they had "seen the Lord."

He insisted he would not believe unless he placed his finger into the nail marks and his hand into Christ's side. Yet his doubts did not repel our Lord — they drew Him near in an extraordinary way. Beneath Thomas' stubborn words, Jesus saw pain, disappointment and fear. Our Lord, who is mercy itself, did not condemn him. Instead, He calmed his doubts, invited him closer, and allowed him to touch those Sacred Wounds.

What amazing grace.

When we are tempted to doubt, for whatever reason, we need only seek the Lord — in prayer, in the sacraments, and through the encouragement of our Christian community. Just as He did for Thomas, our Lord will mercifully restore our Easter vision and fill us with His joy and peace.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 2:42-47;

Psalm 118;

1 Peter 1:3-9;

John 20:19-31

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun	4/12	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31
Mon	4/13	St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8
Tues	4/14	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wed	4/15	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thu	4/16	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Fri	4/17	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Sat	4/18	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sun	4/19	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	4/13	8:30 am	Robert Jette, Jr †
Tues	4/14	8:30 am	Lamar & Helen Miller †
Wed	4/15	8:30 am	Deceased members of the Miller & Stuglik families †
Thu	4/16	8:30 am	Virginia Mc Quade †
Fri	4/17	8:30 am	Coli (Colman) O Donoghue †
Sat	4/18	8:30 am	Justin Gray (<i>healing</i>)
		5:00 pm	Barbara White †
Sun	4/19	9:00 am	Olivia Gray †
		11:00 am	Special Intention
		5:00 pm	Andy Nagórski †

PRAYER RESOURCES FOR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY - NEXT SUNDAY

HOW TO RECITE THE CHAPLET

<https://bit.ly/3zcJQKD>

CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

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CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY IN SONG - Produced by Trish Short, as heard worldwide on EWTN - virtual rosary with prayers on the screen. Sung by Trish Short, Michael Bethea, and Crystal Yates. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKlOLyYs3Os> (*spoken and sung*)

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET WITH FR. ROB GALEA, FRG MINISTRY (*spoken*) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cHbF5xClwws>

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY – STEVE ANGRISANO & SARAH HART, (*Sung*) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-iWLR4K0-pY>



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe you are really here in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you more than anything in the world, and I hunger to receive you. But since I cannot receive Communion at this time, Feed my soul spiritually. I unite myself to you now, as I do when I actually receive You in Holy Communion. Amen.

POPE LEO XIV'S UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION: APRIL

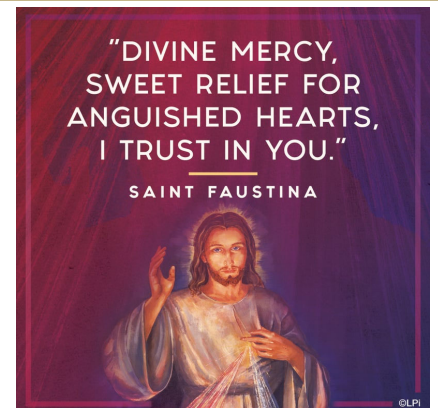
For Priests in Crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

How does Christ prove himself to Thomas? Not by his face or his words, but by his wounds. So, when we look for God to show Himself in relief or in triumph, we must remember the wounds of Christ. This is where we find our salvation.

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FAITH IN ACTION

Stewardship of **PRAYER**

Please pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers:
Joan Zadel; Shirley Foley; Arlene Rocchio; Schuyler Garfield; Armon LaMotte; Brenda Lis; Mary Ellen Fox; Magdolma O'Brien; Marietta Riney; Honora Hannan

For those who have recently died:
Sheryl Pelzel; Mary Moles; Ida Buechel; Shawna Tracy; Alina Liniecki; Brian Barnard

Members of our parish family who are in the military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all who have no one to pray for them.



APRIL 18 & 19 - 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 5:00 pm - Cantor & Piano/Organ

Sunday 9:00 am - Cantor & Piano/Organ

Sunday 11:00 am - Cantor & Piano/Organ

Sunday 5:00 pm - Adult Choir

Please join us
Sunday, April 26th - Hoffman Center
After the 9:00am & 11:00am Mass



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2ND OFFERING: APRIL 18 & 19 **CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL**

Support the Catholic Home Missions appeal. Nearly 40 of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities for their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, etc. Please be generous. For more information, visit

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2ND OFFERING: APRIL 25 & 26 **DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT APPEAL** *Good Shepherd Sunday*

Good Shepherd weekend is an important time when we reach out to you for your generous support for our Diocesan Priest Retirement Appeal. The well-being of our retired priests, who have dedicated their lives to serving our community, rests in your hands.

Your gift to the Diocesan Priest Retirement Appeal provides vital funding for medications, nursing care, and more to these priests who have been good shepherds and have kept their promises to the faithful of the Diocese.

There are 45 retired priests in the Diocese and 92 others currently serving in our parishes and in other diocesan assignments. In addition, the Diocese has 38 priests reaching retirement age (70 years) in the next 12 years and 8 in just the next three years.

OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

The Journey of Faith: Understanding the OCIA Process

The OCIA is more than a series of classes; it is a profound journey of conversion and a communal celebration of faith. Here are the five stages our brothers and sisters traveled on their way to the Altar.

1. THE PERIOD OF INQUIRY (PRECATECHUMENATE)

This is the "getting to know you" phase - a time for asking questions and hearing the Gospel for the first time. There is no set timeframe; it lasts as long as the Inquirer needs to begin their internal conversion.

The Milestone: The Rite of Acceptance. Inquirers publicly declare their intention to follow Christ and are signed with the Cross. They are now called Catechumens.

2. THE PERIOD OF THE CATECHUMENATE

The longest stage of OCIA, this is a transition from "seeking" to "belonging." Catechumens are nurtured through formal study (Catechesis), the Liturgy of the Word, community involvement, and apostolic service.

The Milestone: The Rite of Election. On the first Sunday of Lent, the Bishop "elects" them for initiation. They sign their names in the Book of the Elect and are now called The Elect or Illuminandi ("those to be enlightened").

3. THE PERIOD OF PURIFICATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT

Coinciding with Lent, this is a spiritual "retreat" for the heart. The focus shifts from the head to the soul through prayer and repentance.

The Scrutinies: Celebrated on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent, these are rites to uncover what is weak and strengthen what is good within the Elect.

The Presentations: The Church entrusts the Elect with its two great treasures: The Creed and The Lord's Prayer.

4. THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

The climax of the journey occurs at the Easter Vigil.

Baptism: Rebirth as children of God.

Confirmation: Anointing with Sacred Chrism and the sealing of the Holy Spirit.

The OCIA Process



Holy Eucharist: Receiving the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time.

The newly initiated are now called Neophytes ("newly planted").

5. THE PERIOD OF MYSTAGOGY

From Easter to Pentecost, Neophytes enter a time of "leading into the mystery." If the earlier stages were about learning the faith, Mystagogy is about living it — reflecting on the sacraments and finding their place in the Church's mission.

OUR ROLE: *As a parish, we are the living witness of the Gospel. Please support our Neophytes with your prayers and a welcoming heart as they embrace their new identity in Christ.*

Congratulations and Welcome Neophytes

Morten Christensen

Sevena Cortez

Ellen Harris

Kristen Jensen

Dianna McKay

Julie Neila

Holly Omera

Kyle Phelps

Malia Phelps

Zach Phelps

Elyse Sammut

Ava Sandoval

Erik St. Charles

Kenneth David Tanner

Oliva Valens

Jacob Valens



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2026 SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!

What an awesome Book Fair! So many students walked away with great new books to enjoy! Thank you to our community for the amazing support.



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NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

dsj.org/evangelization/institute-for-leadership-in-ministry/ilm-admissions/

WHAT IS THE PROGRAM?

Students attend six semesters completed in three years. All students attend weekly classes on Wednesday evenings. The Institute meets during a regular academic school year with classes beginning in the fall semester. The two-year core curriculum includes Sacred Scripture, Christology, Ecclesiology, Church History, and the relevance and importance of the Sacraments. Students are also exposed to material that makes up much of the Church's contemporary debates in social justice and morality. In addition, students go through a module on discernment that starts at the end of their first year and continues at the beginning of their second year. The students, in consultation with their pastors, determine how they will exercise their leadership in the parish and how they will focus and participate during the years of ministry formation. The third year includes courses on pastoral ministry to give the students a solid foundation in Catechetics (Children, Youth, and Adult), Liturgy, and Social Justice Ministry. Students gather once a month on a Saturday for leadership training in communications, conflict management, lay

ministry, and cultural diversity. These special sessions are designed specifically to teach the students how to work effectively with others in the spirit of Christ. Other Saturday sessions focus on the spiritual growth of the pastoral person.



WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

Here are some qualities of the ideal candidate:

- a call to the ministry of leadership within the Catholic community
- demonstrated or potential leadership ability
- current participation in pastoral ministry
- prior formation in the faith
- willingness to commit to 10-12 hours per month for classes
- ability to complete the reading and writing assignments
- ability to devote additional hours outside of class for assignments.

For more information, visit dsj.org/evangelization/institute-for-leadership-in-ministry/about-ilm/

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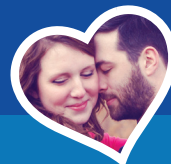
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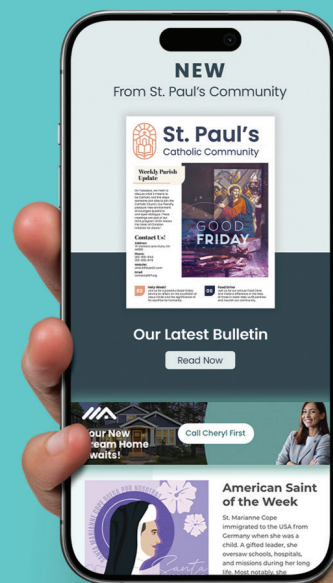
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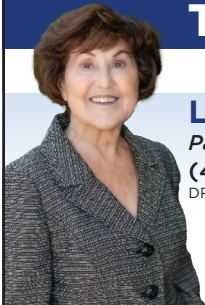
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