Fr. Alejandro Lopez, OFM Conv., Parish Priest Fr. Leonides Mateo, OFM Conv., Associate Priest

**Divine Mercy Sunday** Attending any regularly scheduled Mass on this Second Sunday of Easter (6pm Vigil, 7, 9, 11am or 6pm) fulfils the Mass attendance requirement for the Divine Mercy indulgence. However, we will also offer confessions from 1pm until 3pm, devotional prayers, Rosary and the Chaplet before the start of a special 3pm



Mass. (Please n o t e that for

the limited number of priests, you may celebrate Confession within eight days before or after, with the intention of fulfilling the requirement of the indulgence.) Pietv items will be available for sale.

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the Conventual Franciscans

Fr. Alejandro will be in America until

12 May attending Chapter and visiting family and friends. Please pray for his safe travel and return.

**Project Compassion Boxes and envelopes** These boxes were due back by Holy Thursday but donations to Project Compassion are still acceptable. You can also donate online by clicking here.



Thank you for the Good Friday Holy Land collection that totaled \$2,589.10 to aid Christian families and sites in the Holy Land.

# **REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES**

Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm (Sunday Vigil) Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm

Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm Wednesdays, Thursdays: 6.45am and 9.30am Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am (and 7pm on First Fridays of each month)

**CONFESSION TIMES** 10-10.30am on Saturdays 7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays SCHEDULE MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

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A big thank you to all OLOR youth and young adults who participated in this year's "Living Stations of the Cross!" You all made an invaluable contribution to a moving re-enactment of Christ's Passion through your acting and reading. Many thanks also to the OLOR young adults who joined us for the Good Friday Night Walk-a 20km pilgrimage from Blacktown to Parramatta! We can't wait to do it all again with you next year!

Our next Youth Group will be on Sunday, 1 May. Join us for Youth Mass at 6pm followed by

the indulgence, due Youth Group from 7pm - 8.30pm in the old hall!

**OLOR Young Adults** returns on Friday, 6 May, in the Shrine Undercroft - all young adults aged 18-30 are welcome!

LIFTED Sports Day has a NEW DATE and a NEW LOCATION! Join the OLOR Youth Team on Sunday, 22 May - we will travel together from OLOR to Patrician Brothers' College, Blacktown, and return. Sign up <u>here!</u>



Donate to Caritas Australia's Ukraine **Appeal** Caritas Australia's long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground providing shelter, food, clean water, medicine

and psychological support. Donate now to help the people of Ukraine. To donate now, click here or call 1800 024 413 toll free. Keep up to date on how Caritas agencies are responding to this crisis by visiting here.

Catholic schools across the Diocese are To learn more please contact your local Catholic school or visit our school's websites. **enrolling now** in the Diocese of Parramatta for 2023. school or visit our school's websites: click <u>here</u> for **Our** Lady of the Rosary Primary School; click here for St. Angela's Primary School.



**Eucharistic Vigil for Life** at the Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents will be celebrated this coming Friday, 29 April, with Mass at 7pm followed by Exposition and all-night Adoration. Prayers for Life will be offered starting at 10am on Saturday morning (30 April) with Eucharistic Benediction at 10.45, and Mass starting at 11am. If you would like to attend the all-night Adoration or either Mass, please contact Cecille on 0415 253 771 as reservations are a must. A luncheon will follow in the Undercroft. Please bring a plate to share!

Counselling is available from the Parish Office during the week. Simply call the Parish Office for help for marriage, general, addictions, alcohol and drugs, etc.

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A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia For 75 years, the support of Christian refugees has been a major pillar of the work of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). Today ACN is supporting displaced Catholic families by attending to basic needs such as food and medicine, but these families also hunger for the healing power of the sacraments and the pastoral support of the Church. As such, the help we provide is not only material. Our support of priests, sisters, and catechists all work to build up the faith and to offer help and consolation to those in desperate need. If you would like to give hope to Christian refugees in need, click <u>here.</u>

**Synod of Bishops 2023** Bishop Vincent invites you to view the draft synthesis document from the Diocese of Parramatta Writing Committee for the Synod of Bishops 2023 released on Thursday morning here. You are invited to reflect on this draft submission and to send your initial reflections via email here. The Diocese of Parramatta invites your continued dialogue with us and this process, through our website and direct email addresses above.

Piety Store items are available from the Parish Office during the week Tuesday to Friday between 9am and 4pm. We have new Rosaries, Bibles, Missals, cards for all occasions, gifts for Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation and much more. This weekend piety items will be available outside the Church.



WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Maureen Hinton, Cath Dalgliesh, Andrew Foley, Tracy Capdor, Giuseppina Rossi, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Niko Juanengo, Peter Prizas, Diosdado Deang Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Moira Maroney, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Amanda Webb, Annali Sherlock, Ricardo Patane, Michelle Nickols, Michael Dimech, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Amelia Williams, Kim Kenna; Leonie Hite, Arnel Galeng, David McHenry, Andrea Bioco, Lily Eyles, Dodoy Calisura, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Betty Muldoon, Bev Swann, Carmelo M Ortea, Liam Newland, Elvie Anderson, Josephine Murphy, Fran Clarke, David Got, Floralba Gonzalez, Caleb Peter Newland, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Rita Terese Keogh, Wieslawa Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Therese Sergi, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gularte, Monty Roughe, Garry Robinson, Ona Hobs, Christopher Dean, Charlene Lucre, Janae Winpe, Joelle Fameli, Nancy Margaret Courtney, Janis Murphy, Eunice Ally, Paul Karam, Marie Adolphe, Iolanda Giannetta, Brian, Lucy Farrugia, Clement, Joseph Vella, Angela Vasta, Roy Fimmano, Rose Carroll, William and Lesley McEnally, Jacky Charles, Paula Grobbelaar, Nelson Yupangco, John Killelea, Marija ukic, Nissaka Gunawardena, Paul Opollito, Myra Fagel, Estella Odtojan, Dolores Carreon

#### FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

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Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.



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# Thank you for last week's donations to the parish in the sum of \$2,508.35

Donations may be made in the black mailbox at the parish office door. **Online donations** are accepted through our parish website. Click here to donate

(Choose the kind of donation from the list below) **Parish Support,** helps pay our bills, staff salaries; Franciscan friars, helps pay

> our Friary bills, food, water, electricity; **Church renovations;** or **Shrine of the Holy Innocents**

Our "TAP-AND-GO" card devices are in the Church and can be used to donate to the parish or the friars.

## **Mass Intentions:** 23 - 30 April, 2022

9.30am Teresa Bombardiere Michele Catanzariti & Giuseppe 6pm Sun.24 7am Carmela, Vincenzo Bombardiere 9am Giuseppe, Giuseppina Murdocca Corazon Palacio 11am PRO POPULO 3pm Angelina, John Ferreira & family Mon. 25 8am Sr. Mary Helen Diamon & John Wood Andy Zahra and Wayne Holland Tues. 26 6.45am John Camilleri, Neville Graves Intention of donor Wed. 27 6.45am Jorge Lopez 9.30am Emiliana Caraig Thur. 28 6.45am Intention of donor 9.30am Joseph, Mary, Sam & Elizabeth Fri. 29 6.45am Ignacia Doctor 9.30am Charlie, Grace Vella, Joseph Scicluna 9.30am Charlie & Grace Vella, Joseph

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'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,

they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him;

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### HOMILY

### PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

#### R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Accept, O Lord, we pray, the oblations of your people (and those you have brought to new birth), that, renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism, they may attain unending happiness. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

#### PREFACE I OF EASTER

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith. All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

#### COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

) 1 ....

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always. R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace. *All exchange a sign of peace.* 

#### LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON cf. Jn 20:27 Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing,

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our reception of this paschal Sacrament may

have a continuing effect in our minds and hearts.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you,

the Father, and the Son, ★ and the Holy Spirit.

R Amen

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended, alleluia, alleluia! R. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

## **BREAKING OPEN THE WORD**

#### **FAITH BRINGS PEACE**

The journey of faith is one that has many moments and stages. At times all goes well, as in Acts, and we can rejoice in the fruitful results of our efforts. There can be other times when, like Thomas, we wrestle with doubt and unbelief. In the face of difficulties, we can run the risk of losing heart, like the Christians of Ephesus, and sorely need encouragement. Today's readings are particularly consoling because they show us that the life of faith has always been a journey with many such moments. Many people of faith feel that it would have been different in the early Church, that somehow they had more faith, vision, courage, and understanding. We can often be unduly hard on ourselves and perhaps overly idealistic about life in the early days of the Church.

It is always worth asking why the earliest Christians wrote as they did. If John's community had not had its moments of questioning, the episode of Thomas the apostle would probably not have been written down. If the Christian communities around Ephesus had not been discouraged and fearful in the face of persecution and opposition, it would not have been necessary to write the book of the Apocalypse. They needed to be reminded that the Risen One who holds the key to life and death, was walking among them still. Even the bright picture painted in Acts was probably written with a view to encouraging the Christians of Luke's time.

The Risen One walks amongst us still. Mindful of our journey of faith, he calls us to faith and to know his peace.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OF DIVINE MERCY) / C

24 APRIL 2022

MY LORD AND MY GOD. St Thomas was a great apostle who is believed to have preached the Good News as far afield as India. Later, he was martyred for his faith. May the risen Christ come to us, as he came to Thomas, and strengthen our faith. May we in turn express our faith by being ambassadors of mercy and reconciliation.

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

1 Pet 2:2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

#### GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries. P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. Your are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: Lord, have mercy.

#### R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

#### GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

#### COLLECT

P. God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

Acts 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

# RESP PSALM Ps 117:2-4, 22-27. R. v. 1 R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, love is everlasting, (or Alleluia!)

1. Let the sons of Israel say: / 'His love has no end.' / Let the sons of Aaron say: / 'His love has no end.' / Let those who fear the Lord say: / 'His love has no end.' R.

2. The stone which the builders rejected / has become the cornerstone. / This is the work of the Lord, / a marvel in our eyes. / This day was made by the Lord; / we rejoice and are glad. **R**.

3. O Lord, grant us salvation / O Lord grant success. / Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. / We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light.  $\bf R$ .

# SECOND READING Apoc 1:9-13,17-19

# A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure.

I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 20:19-31

Jn 20:29

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

#### R. Glory to you, O Lord.

After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,

so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and