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Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday
April 3, 2016

Mass Schedule
Sunday 7:30 am - 9:00 am - 10:30 am
12:30 pm (Spanish) 4:30 pm (Vietnamese)
Saturday 8:15 am - 4:30 pm (Vigil)
Daily (Monday to Friday) 7:00 am - 8:15 am
Holy Days 7:00 am 8:15 am 7:00 pm
1st Friday Exposition — 12:30 to 4:45 pm

Sacraments
Reconciliation—Saturday, 3:15 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.
Baptism—4th Sunday of every month at 2:30 p.m.
Contact Parish Office for information
Marriage—Arrangements to be made 6 months prior to the wedding.

Parish Office Hours
Monday - Tuesday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wednesday - Thursday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm
Friday 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

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(During non-office hours)
Second Sunday of Easter
(or Sunday of Divine Mercy)
April 3, 2016

Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever.
— Revelation 1:18a

My Dear Parishioners,

More scattered thoughts.

After His Resurrection, instead of reproaching the disciples for their infidelity, Christ forgave them, healed their broken hearts, and took away their fears by saying, “Peace be with you” as he entered to be with them in the Upper Room. Jesus blessed the disciples with Divine Mercy.

As we celebrate The Divine Mercy Sunday today, I would like to invite you to pay attention to what our Holy Father Francis says about Divine Mercy:

“It restores hope to those who feel overwhelmed by the burden of sin. The Mercy of God is present in our love for those we forgive and those we care for when they suffer: It is a love which is greater than any evil and greater than death itself.”

“Father forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.”

“You take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.”

“And give the grace to ourselves to have mercy on others, especially on those we find it hard to forgive and most needing to be healed.”

To forgive and to heal are two instruments of Divine Mercy. Mercy is the key word that indicates God’s action towards us. Mercy is the very foundation of the Church’s life.

This Sunday is the Divine Mercy Sunday in our Jubilee Year of Mercy promulgated by our Holy Father Francis. The mission the Church has entrusted to us this year is to be a sign and instrument of the Divine Mercy and Peace to all people. In facing evils, injustices, terrorism, poverty . . . we are overwhelmed, depressed, helpless, frustrated. It seems impossible for us on our own to do anything, but remember—Nothing is Impossible with God. Only God can bring what our world needs: What our world needs is Divine Mercy and Peace! Remember what Jesus did for the disciples in the Upper Room after his Resurrection he does for us today, tomorrow, throughout this Jubilee Year and for the rest of our lives . . . the fullness of Mercy and Peace to enjoy and to share with others.

Please contemplate the mystery of Mercy constantly. Please keep alive the desire to recognize the size of God’s tenderness around us. As we meditate and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday in this Jubilee Year of Mercy I invite you to pray St. Francis’ Prayer of Peace often that we too can be an Instrument of Mercy and Peace.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love,
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
It is in dying to self that we are born to eternal life.”

In Divine Mercy and Peace, Father Tom
Jubilee Year of Mercy
Second Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy

Last year on this Sunday, Pope Francis declared this year a Jubilee Year of Mercy. Saint John Paul II named the Second Sunday of Easter “Sunday of Divine Mercy” in response to Saint Faustina Kowalska’s Divine Mercy devotion, which offered spiritual comfort to hearts worldwide. But Francis challenges us to make that comfort we receive a gift we gladly share: “We are called to show mercy because mercy has first been shown to us.” The clearest expression of merciful love, says Francis, is pardoning others. “At times how hard it seems to forgive!” he acknowledges. “And yet pardon is the instrument placed into our fragile hands to attain serenity of heart” (Misericordiae Vultus, 9). The necessary condition for living joyfully? “To let go of anger, wrath, violence, and revenge.” May Divine Mercy Sunday in this Jubilee Year of Mercy remind us that Jesus made mercy our life’s ideal and a criterion for our faith’s credibility: “Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy” (Matthew 5:7).

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CONGRATULATIONS
RCIA
AND
CONFIRMATION
RECIPIENTS

St. Felicitas Church congratulates the twenty-three people who made the six month journey of preparation to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. We look forward to having you join our community in participation of Christ’s work. We have twenty-eight ministries, four faith formation groups and three organizations in which you may be Christ’s disciples and continue your journey. These are also opportunities for you to participate in Christ’s evangelical work and to fulfill the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy in this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Jazmin Arias Alvarado
Rebecca Bellefeuille
Alma Carina Casillas
Michael Condon
Viviana Garcia Corona
Elyse Crum
Orlando Crum
America Curiel
Veronica Ebner
Elizabeth Gutierrez
Megan Hocker
Kharmarlo Holloway
Christian Lopez
Arturo Lopez-Guillen
Tahesha Magobet
Adrian Martinez
Megan Morris
Keri Saldivar
Rudy Saldivar
Jill Sanantonio
Ann Marie Toro
Michael Toro
Cecilia Urbina

JOINING THE COMPANY OF BELIEVERS

What will help you to believe? Today’s scripture readings tell of faith and doubt. They offer stories “recorded to help you believe,” as the passage from John’s Gospel (20:31) remarks today. There is an urgency about this. On this Second Sunday of Easter we are challenged to join the company of believers—countless men and women who witnessed the power of the apostles’ faith.

There is no doubt that this power comes from Jesus Christ. The second reading, from the book of Revelation, reports John’s mystical vision of the Son of Man, who proclaims, “Once I was dead, but now I live” (Revelation 1:18). The Gospel gathers everyone but Thomas to see the Risen Jesus and receive the Holy Spirit from him. Like Thomas, we who have come along later must have faith so that we can have life.

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**Pray for ...**

Lourdes Andrade  Natividad Hollman  Matthew Regge, Jr.
Nestor Arana  Sara Le Fargo  Lucy Reightman
Mark Ballet  Joseph Leo  Joel Rivera
David Bargas  Ester Liwanag  Myriam Rodriguez
Paul Bartsel  Barbara Maloon  Ernesto Romero
Dan Bautista  Clarisse Mascarenah  Jorge Salloman, Jr.
Raymond Bautista  Rose Matty  Manuel Salloman
Ann Chermark  Mel Mederious  Patricia Salloman
Tom Chermark  Peggy Miller  Billy Schmalfeldt
Mary Curry  Virginia Monsor  Darryl Sheilds
Mariah Davenport  Eppie Montano  Sheryl Smith
Rafael DeRosa  Mija Mulligan  Jack Thompson
Donald Dorf, Sr.  Peter Luom Nguyen  Tomas Torres
Richard Duenas  Elina Olivera  Anne Tran
Edward Fletcher  John O’Malley  Mary Valladon
Ken Frakes  Teresa O’Malley  Adeleine Vargus
Rudy Griego  Armando Ortiz  Maria Jesus Vargas
Connie Guaraglia  Mao Pham  Velia Vargas
Joyce Guaraglia  Paul Prado  Joyce White
Rosendo Guervara  Peter Purificacion  
Mae Heasley  Josie Raxslon

A name posted in dark print was added to the prayer list this week!

Do you have a seriously ill family member or friend? If you have the person’s permission, you may request that their name be printed in the bulletin for prayers. Names will be deleted after one month. Call the parish office at 351-5244 to leave the name of the family member who is in need of prayer.

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**Mass Intentions For The Week**

Week of April 3rd, 2016

**Sunday (4/3)**
- 7:30 am: Nario Pimenta  L
- 9:00 am: Parishioners
- 10:30 am: Virginia Ongoco  †
- 12:30 pm: Maria Asuncion Gallo  †

**Monday (4/4)**
- 7:00 am: Anna Nguyen  †
- 8:15 am: Ramon Asuncion  †

**Tuesday (4/5)**
- 7:00 am: Michael Frazier  †
- 8:15 am: Adriana Adams  †

**Wednesday (4/6)**
- 7:00 am: Lani Nguyen Family   L
- 8:15 am: Anniversary

**Thursday (4/7)**
- 7:00 am: Philip Erlwein  †
- 8:15 am: Virgilio Legaspi  †

**Friday (4/8)**
- 7:00 am: Jose, Maria & Norberto Vargas  †
- 8:15 am: Angel Galindo  †

**Saturday (4/9)**
- 8:15 am: Adriana Adams  †
- 4:30 pm: Yit Khuan Behnke  †

**Sunday (4/10)**
- 7:30 am: Jesus Montoya  †
- 9:00 am: Agustin & Estela Muli  †
- 10:30 am: Parishioners
- 12:30 pm: Michael Del Toro  T

**FINANCIAL CORNER**

Our Weekly Goal  $ 11,700.00
Sunday Collection—March 20, 2016  $ 10,995.00
Amount needed to reach our goal  $ 707.00
Easter Collection—March 27, 2016  $ 17,608.00

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**Who Entered into Eternal Life**

*Pat Forde † — March 24, 2016*

LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK Of April 4th**

**Monday:**

- Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10; Psalm 40:7-11; Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38

**Tuesday:**


**Wednesday:**

- Acts 5:17-26; Psalm 34:2-9; John 3:16-21

**Thursday:**

- Acts 5:27-33; Psalm 34:2, 9, 17-20; John 3:31-36

**Friday:**


**Saturday:**

- Acts 6:1-7; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; John 6:16-21

**Sunday:**

- Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Revelation 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

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**Pray for World Peace**

7:30 am Church (daily)
8:45 am Church (Mon-Tues-Wed-Fri-Sat)
8:45 am S.J. Chapel on Thursday

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**Helping Your Neighbor**

If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask God simply to fill you with charity... with it you can accomplish what you desire.

—St. Vincent Ferrer

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**Please pray for Alex Bradley and his brother, Preston Ridgway, who are serving in the Middle East**
Sunday of Divine Mercy April 3, 2016

Events for Today
Children’s Liturgy of the Word Today
Confirmation I—5:00 pm—Gym
Confirmation II—6:30 pm—Gym

Second Collection
This Week: Maintenance
Next Week: Bishop’s Annual Appeal

Events for the Week April 4th, 2016

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~ Sandi Walton ~
Director of Religious Education

We would like to encourage family, friends and members of the parish community to join us in prayer for the children of our parish that will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 7th.

Prayer cards of the students that have been preparing for First Communion will be distributed to parishioners April 9/10th. We ask you to take one of these cards home and remember that child in your prayers.

We welcome you to send a card to that child. Please write the child’s complete name on any cards that you send. Cards for our First Communion students can be dropped off at St. Joseph Center by April 29th and we will forward these to the children.

Thank You

From ~ Saint Luke Institute ~ I hope that in your generosity, you share the joy we feel when our clients, priests and religious who have given their entire lives to the Lord and the Church, thank us for our healing care. Their lives are changed forever.

From ~ Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament ~ Your continued prayers and generosity enable the Sisters to further the mission of St. Katharine Drexel “fostering unity and community” while serving in educational, spiritual, and social service ministries throughout the United States, Haiti and Jamaica.

From ~ Congregation of Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration ~ May our loving God reward you abundantly with the blessings you need most.

From ~ The Mercy Brown Bag Program ~ Thank you for blessing so many seniors with your support and prayers. Your outreach of love makes a huge difference in their lives. Bless You!

From ~ The Retirement Fund for Religious ~ Thank you for giving to those who have given a lifetime.

Youth Ministry

Please pray for our English & Spanish 2nd year confirmation candidates who will going on their retreat to Mount Hermon this Friday 4/8 to Sunday 4/10/16.

May the Holy Spirit Bless all of our candidates and leaders as they journey together to find a deeper connection and meaning of their faith.
Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios

La mayoría de nosotros guardamos una mezcla de recuerdos de buenos tiempos y de malos tiempos. Recordamos esos momentos benditos cuando recostados sobre el césped, las manos sirviéndonos de almohada para nuestra cabeza y contemplando las nubes con sus siluetas de cosas que hemos conocido y lugares donde hemos estado, un libro de recortes con imágenes que nos traen gratos recuerdos. Son los gratos recuerdos que queremos conservar.

Pero también nos vienen otros recuerdos a la memoria con sus nubes deprimentes y hasta tormentosas. Aun de la adolescencia podemos tener recuerdos amargos. Algunos todavía tenemos cicatrices de las relaciones que tuvimos con nuestra mamá o nuestro papá en los años de crecimiento; un espíritu desalentado o quebrantado, que nunca ha llegado a sanar como es debido. O podríamos llevar el sentimiento de no haber calificado para el equipo. Y no digo del equipo de fútbol, ni siquiera del equipo del amor ni aun el de la vida. Se trata más bien de sentir que todos se fueron para el juego, pero a nosotros se nos fue el autobús; y todos los demás autobuses, que también se dirigían al juego, iban llenos de los que pudieron ser nuestros amigos y sin embargo nunca nos miraron ni para decirnos adiós.

Pero la vida sigue su curso misericordiosamente y las bendiciones nos alcanzan con otras clases de bondades. Pero no sin cicatrices, que se encargan de que nuestra carne recuerde. De alguna manera ellas se convierten en boyas que nos advierten dónde están los canales de aguas profundas en el río de la vida; marcadores para llevar una navegación segura, así como para evitar los fondos rocosos que pueden desgarrarnos.

Nosotros, igual que Tomás, recordamos nuestras heridas. A Tomás lo marcaron con el dolor, pero esas heridas también dejaron en él la marca del verdadero Jesús. Tomás sabía que si él metía su mano en las heridas abiertas de Jesús tenían que ser reales y Jesús sería real, así como lo sería la misma muerte. Para Tomás fueron las llagas las que probaron la resurrección y lo condujeron a la fe.

---Padre Joseph J. Juknialis

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Vivamos la Palabra de Dios
Todos luchamos para creer. Todos dudamos; es la esencia de la fe. La diferencia radica en dónde buscamos para renovar nuestras fuerzas y reafirmar la fe. Para algunos el termómetro o la vara de medir es una vida tranquila. Otros hurgamos más en nuestras propias heridas porque ellas nos recuerdan que la vida nueva no la recibimos por nuestro propio esfuerzo.

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IN HONOR OF OR IN MEMORY OF

Thank God for Everything

Walsh & Grjudo Families
Braun-Xavier Families
Peace in the Family
All Clergy of Faith
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Philip Erlwein
Cecilia Silva
Ruth Castro
Loyda Garcia
Farinha Family
Joseph Dourado
Richard Saunders
John & Ann Pham
Marissa Villanueva
Marciana Villanueva
Policarpio Villanueva
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Manuel & Angeline Linas
Donald & Seome Saloman
Walt & Elsie Gubanski
Victorino Labayog
Fred & Marie James
Josephine Reason
Mark Mc Sharry
Jim Mc Sharry
Paul Arnerich
Ray Pereira
Cora Orille
All Souls
John Vargas
Pimentel Family
Alonzo Family
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Bichthuy T. Nguyen
Rodrigues Family
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Celia & Alfredo Aguayo
Mariano and Dora Carrillo