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Divine Mercy Sunday

16/04/2023

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:00am and 9:00am

Croatian Mass: Sun 11:00am

Kid's Church

Sunday 9:00am during School days

Weekday Masses

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat: 9:00 am

Tuesday: 7:00 pm Mass and Novena

Baptism: By appointment

On Sundays at 10.15 am

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 9:30 am – 10:15 am

Confirmation:

Sunday 21st May at 3.30pm

Marriage:

By appointment (Six months' notice)

Divine Mercy Prayers & Benediction

Fridays 6:30pm

St Vincent de Paul Society Meetings

1st Weds of the month 6pm presbytery

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

Theme: The Gospels tell us that Jesus appeared to the disciples on several occasions after they discovered that his tomb was empty. Today's gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to his disciples as well as his dialogue with Apostle Thomas. Christ stood among the apostles as the new high priest, greeting and wishing them peace. Apostle Thomas was allowed to touch the risen Christ, and then proclaim his faith, saying "My Lord, My God." The disciples saw the wounds that were made on his body and believed in his resurrection. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. It is part of our human nature to seek hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death is, indeed, the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative who obtains this evidence. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, let us reflect on the words of Jesus to the Apostles "As the Father has sent me, so I send you," and like the Apostles let us worship and work towards peace.

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Divine Mercy Sunday 16th April 2023

This Sunday, 16th April is Divine Mercy Sunday. To celebrate this special occasion Mass at 3:00pm with Divine Mercy Prayers and Novena will be celebrated at St. Bernard. Priests will be available for reconciliation from 2:00pm to 2:50pm. Please join.

Prayer & Thanks

Thanks to Xenia and Albert Nera for the Altar flowers. Thanksgiving offering is to mark the occasion of their wedding anniversary. Let us pray for them. May God bless them and their family.

Flowers & Candles Offering.

There is a new form for *Flowers and Candles Offering* from 4th June to 3rd Sept in the church foyer. The parish will pray specially for your intentions on the weekend you choose to offer them.

THANK YOU

Holy Week and Easter ceremonies were well attended. Thanks to all who worked hard to prepare the church and the Liturgy.

Thanks to the Altar Society for preparing 300 Holy water containers and cleaning the church. Special thanks to all who worked hard to make the church look beautiful and attractive. Special thanks to the musicians and choir for their active participation and beautiful singing. Thanks to the acolytes, altar servers, special ministers of Eucharist, readers, counters, and wardens. We had several volunteers this year to prepare for Easter and Holy Week. Let us remember them with gratitude, and I thank everyone sincerely for their assistance and help. May the blessing of the risen Lord keep you all happy and safe. Fr. Augusthy

Good Friday-Holy Land Appeal

Total collection, so far, for this appeal is \$1393.80 from Botany. Thanks a lot for your donations. The funds will be remitted to The Holy Land Commissariat (through Arch of Sydney) soon. Donations to Holy Land appeal are not tax deductible.

Prayer Requests

1. Mass Intentions

2. The Sick: Jennifer Caiza, Hilda Caiza, Ryan Genard Bacal, Milan Milahjevic, Rachel Baker, Grazia Ferraro, Ruby C. Gorospe, Patricia McCarthy, Ann Fiala,, Gesalit Cabrera, Maria Cerreto, Terry Delaney, Maureen Maher, Carol Merrick, Gwen Menzies, Nadia Radmilo, Michael Ruiz, Maria Terzita Trassari, Diana Wiley, the sick in the parish, and all the sick and suffering.

3. Recently: Fr. John Conroy, Marie Mimose Mandavy, John Cooley, Daniel Sink, Lualhati Tenorio,

4. Anniversary: Betty Thomason, Rodolfo Apolonio, Clifford Scott

5. Others: Therese & Alfred Scerri, Isabel Fenech, Margaret & Joseph Fenech, All Souls in Purgatory. Intention of Wendy Nell

ROSTERS for Next Week

Sat 22 Apr- VIGIL SAT 5.30 PM

Readers: Maria & Fabian Heaton

Acolyte: Maureen Burnett

Sun 23 Apr - SUNDAY 7.00 AM

Readers: Zenny C & Matthew Lefevre

Acolyte: Socorro Lucas

Sun 23 Apr - SUNDAY 9.00 AM

Readers: School Children

Acolyte: Joseph Manesh P

Counters: Kate Thornton & Pauline Weir

Altar Society: (Group 1)

Frances Heming, Maureen Burnett & Zenny Custodio

Flowers Offering: Dever Family

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