

**Blessed are
those who
have not
seen and
believed**



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April 28, 2019 • Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

Our Gospel reading today depicts the disciples in a terrifying moment. They have locked their doors, huddling together in safety at a time when the Lord has transformed the entire course of human events. Jesus has risen from the dead. He has destroyed death and unlocked eternal life. But who can fully grasp all of this? Not even Thomas, one of the twelve devoted companions of Jesus, understands what has happened. Those of us who have never faced maltreatment for our faith can only imagine the disciples' panic. Unimpeded by their bolted doors, Jesus visits his frightened friends. His appearance must have been shocking, since he says to them "Peace be with you" not once, but twice. If the disciples hoped Jesus would come back to them, they might have wished he would appear as a victorious leader or glorious king. Instead, he comes as they have known him and most need him: as a companion, and he brings with him the eternal peace of God. They might have wanted a bodyguard; instead he gives them peace.

AT LEAST A SHADOW

God knows what we need far better than we ourselves know. Jesus offers peace to the disciples—twice. He knows they must soon leave the security of locked doors. Shortly he will fill them with the gift of the Holy Spirit and rely on them to lead the community—and the world—into a new baptism, a new communion. At that moment in the locked room, the disciples see only threats to their lives. Jesus sees their fearful hearts and gives them what they need: peace. We see how Peter is transformed. Instead of hiding in shadows, he becomes a source of healing and light; his very shadow draws people into the mystery of God's power. Jesus' gift of peace makes a real difference in our lives. We can ask every day for more peace, in our hearts and in our world.

Today's Readings: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;
Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

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MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY — April 27	5:30 PM	✠ Chuck Delaney 4th Anniversary by the Family
SUNDAY — April 28	9:00 AM	✠ Karen Brown by the Family
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	NO MASS	
Thursday	NO MASS	
Friday	8:30 AM	✠ Bob Manson by Chris & Kay Basgall
SATURDAY — May 4	5:30 PM	✠ Randy Fields by Aggie Cassady
SUNDAY — May 5 (First Communion)	9:00 AM	First Communicants and Their Families

PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR MELVIN PAMMENT, - KEVIN PLATTE, OLIVER WASHINGTON, - LINDSEY KING (GRANDDAUGHTER OF GEORGENE KING), - GERRY PACE, - PAT SIMPSON, - RAY DOYLE, - BEN SINIARSKI, - KYLE WALLER, - TYLER KING (GRANDSON OF GEORGENE KING) - JUDITH MARTELL (MOTHER OF TERESA PICKENS), - TERRY MILLER, - JIM (MAYO) HURST, - CHARLES OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - PAT ROWLEY (SISTER OF JIM ROWLEY), - BRUCE CHANDLER (BROTHER OF MARTI ROWLEY), - JIM OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - ROSE MORRILL, - JULIE STONER (DAUGHTER OF GENE & BARB STONER), - JOHN MARTINEZ, - FRANK LUNDIE, - JANET ARTHUR, - KIM (KOONTER) BALCARCEL, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - MARY CHADWICK, - LEAH ZAMARIPA, (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO), THERESA HEEG (DAUGHTER OF JOHN & SANDY VANGEERTRUY), — PATRICK MCMONAGLE (SON OF BOB & TERRY), - LANA MIERSEN, - MARY STEIN, AGGIE CASSADY, - NATHAN PESCH (SON OF VERONICA SCOTT)

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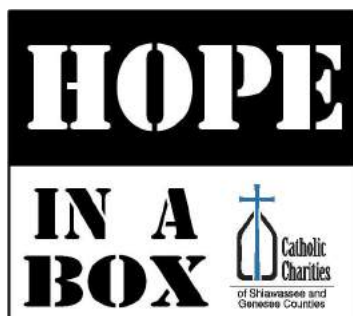
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OFFERTORY

April 20 & 21, 2019

68 Adult Envelopes	\$2,520
Loose Collection	\$879
Children's Offertory	\$109
71 Easter Envelopes	\$2,237
18 ACH Electronic Offertory	\$1,430
 Total Weekly Offertory	 \$7,175
Good Friday Holy Land Collection	\$469



Need for the month
of May:

Hand & Bar Soap



PARISH WIDE

May 5—1st Communion—9:00 AM Mass
May 5—Pancake Breakfast
May 9—Communal Anointing of Sick—11:00 AM

MITTEN MAKING MINISTRY

Thank you for all of your help and donations. This year 1,076 mittens were made and 116 hats were knitted or crocheted. We will still be accepting donations of **Yarn, Polar Fleece, and Sweaters** for next season.



COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK

THURSDAY, MAY 9

Mass at 11:00 AM followed by Luncheon
Please RSVP in the Small Hall



This Sunday, April 28th following Mass.

Mary Stein's Family will be serving cake and ice cream in the large hall in honor of Mary's 90th birthday on April 29th. Stop in and wish Mary a Happy Birthday!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM

April 28—REF Sessions Resume
May 5—Last REF Sessions

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We asking you to prayerfully consider helping with Vacation Bible School (VBS). We are in need of Money, Time and Talent. After Easter, please be on the lookout for support cards on the bulletin board on the north wall of the large hall. Thank you in advance for your generous support. -Mary Stevens



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

May 5—Pancake Breakfast

May 8—Business Meeting—7:00 PM



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

St. Isidore parish is now accepting applications for two unique scholarships:

The Giffels Scholarship: Open to parish members pursuing advanced education opportunities. One or more scholarships will be awarded.

The Knights of Columbus Scholarship: Offers one \$1,000 scholarship to parish graduating seniors pursuing 2 & 4 year college education.

Criteria for applicants will include personal and family involvement in the parish, community service, financial need, and long term potential.

See the bulletin boards for more details. Applications are in the rack outside the parish office.

Deadline for submission
May 3rd

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 28, 2019



Jesus, I Trust in You

The Image: Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with his right hand raised in a blessing and his left touching his garment above his heart. Red and white rays emanate from his heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that “Jesus, I trust in You” be inscribed under his image. Jesus asked that his image be painted and venerated throughout the world: “I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish” (Diary, no. 48) and “By means of this image I will grant many graces to souls” (Diary, no. 742).

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

EASTER FLOWERS PROVIDED IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF:

The Cooley Family
The Fleming Family
Grandma & Grandpa Jelinek
Joe Jelinek
Janet Daniels
Donny Dennis
Jim Jorae
Mother & Dad Michaluk
Mother & Dad Broome
Pat Schiffer
Dale Findlay
Dean Spitzley
Gene Dette
Irene & Robin Dette
Florence & Louie Pung
Rosina & Orin Bradish
Josephine Smith
Inez Tew

Charles & Marian Shipley
Roy, Ivy & Michael Horsley
Ann Bendt
Carson Vincent
Steve Smith
Vern Smith
Arthur & Margret Kelley
Paul & Laura Darling
Karen Quine
Jane Salise
Belm Lopez
Patrick Delaney
Robert Delaney
John & Sandra VanGeertruy
Frank & Mary Kral
Frank & Jane Kral
Maria Mercedes Brown
Ann M. Watson

Lawrence Stelzer
Jim Coleman
Hubert Coleman
Francis, Katherine, & Bill Stevens
Carolyn Platte
Norm Wurm
Baby Lucus Smith
Leon Laves
Anna Hurst
Leon Lundie, Sr.
M/M William C. Eiseler
M/M William G. Eiseler
Raymond Penner
Deceased members of the Shaffer Family
Patricia Greene
Joseph & Rayetta Pesch