

Pulpit Announcements for the DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 16, 2023

**Welcome to all who are here today
on this 2nd Sunday of Easter. Whoever you are, or
wherever you find yourself on the journey.
Know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!**

- **The Feast of Divine Mercy is on this second Sunday of Easter. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 11:45 am, before the noon Mass on April 16th. All are welcome.**
- **Next Saturday is the St. Matthias Spring Vendor Fair and Flea Market, from 10 am to 2 pm, in our parking lot. There will be over 20 vendors as well as attractions like Magic 98.3 FM providing music. Don't miss this fun day.**
- **Here's some exciting news for all golf lovers: 2023 St. Matthias School Golf Classic is scheduled for May 15, 2023, at Royce Brook Golf Club. See page 8 in the bulletin for more information and to register.**

**Divine Mercy is the essence of the gospel.
According to Pope Francis, Mercy is the name of God!
Do we really believe in the merciful love of God?
The Risen Christ shows great mercy in today's gospel.
Let us prepare to be immersed in the Divine Mercy.**

Music for Our Assembly

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Divine Mercy Sunday

*Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk,
that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia! 1 Peter 2:2*

Entrance Hymn – Alleluia Love Is Alive

1. People of God, see the morning is new;
rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb.
Come and see! Come and see! He is alive!
A grave that is empty, a promise fulfilled.
God who was with us is here with us still.
He is here! He is here! He is alive!

**Alleluia! Love is alive;
conquered the grave and defeated the night.
Alleluia! Love is alive!
The Son has arisen for all.
Your people sing alleluia!**

2. People of God, let your fear fall away.
Your chains have been broken; abandon your shame.
Lift your hearts! Lift your hearts! He is alive!
Here now is mercy embracing your soul;
here the fulfillment that once was foretold.
It is true! It is true! He is alive!

3. People of God now rejoicing in Christ,
carry your joy to the darkness of night.
Tell the world! Tell the world! He is alive!
Hear the good news of this glorious day,
every heart singing as heaven proclaims:
He is Lord! He is Lord! He is alive!

Prayer of the Faithful

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Our response is: “Risen Lord, hear our prayer.”

1. For the universal church, its leaders, and members . . . keep all Your disciples in the embrace of Divine Mercy as we proclaim the Good News of Your resurrection to others, we pray...
2. For world, national, and civic leaders . . . affirm their mission as peacemakers and community-builders among all the people they represent and serve, we pray...
3. For our Eastern Catholics, along with the Orthodox Christians, celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus this weekend, for our newly baptized and confirmed members in the RCIA, and for this intentional faith community of Saint Matthias ... Fill us all with blessings from the Risen Lord, we pray . . .
4. For those who endure illness of body, mind, or spirit . . . in Your divine mercy, heal their pain and offer them strength and courage to face each new day, we pray . . .
5. For those who have died, especially ***Anthony Ostrowski, Doris Kempton, and Gordon Weighart*** . . . lead them into heaven to share in Your joyous victory over sin and death, we pray . . .
6. For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts today, ... we pray...

Presider announces the Mass intention and concludes with the 60th Anniversary Prayer.

Preparation Hymn – The Jesus Song

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God.
Have mercy on me, have mercy on me.
Lord Jesus Christ Son of God,
Have mercy on me , have mercy on Me, Amen.

Jesus I trust in you, Jesus I trust in you,
You are the Son of the living God
Jesus I trust in you,
Jesus I trust in you.

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Communion Hymn – Easter Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

1. O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of heav'n the glorious King,
O'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!
2. That Easter morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!
3. An angel clad in white they see,
Who sat, and spoke unto the three,
'Your Lord has gone to Galilee.' Alleluia!

4. That night the apostles met in fear;
Amidst them came their Lord most dear,
And said, 'My peace be on all here.' Alleluia!
5. When Thomas, first the tidings heard,
How they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
6. 'My wounded side, O Thomas, see;
Behold my hands, my feet,' said he,
'Not faithless, but believing be.' Alleluia!
7. No longer Thomas then denied,
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
'You are my Lord and God,' he cried. Alleluia!
8. How blest are they who have not seen,
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!
9. On this most holy day of days,
To God your hearts and voices raise,
In laud, and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!
10. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!

Text: O filii et filiae; Jean Tisserand, d.1494; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

Closing Hymn – Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now he reigns above as King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
Praise him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Text: 77 77 with alleluias; verse 1, Latin, 14th cent., para. in Lyra Davidica, 1708. Permission to podcast / stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE with license #A-621391 All rights reserved

Responsorial Psalm - 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the house of Israel say,
“His mercy endures forever.”

Let the house of Aaron say,
“His mercy endures forever.”

Let those who fear the LORD say,
“His mercy endures forever.”

I was hard pressed and was falling,
but the LORD helped me.

My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.

The joyful shout of victory
in the tents of the just:

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.