

Pulpit Announcements for the Divine Mercy Sunday April 27, 2025

**Welcome to all who are here today to celebrate this
Divine Mercy Sunday with us.**

**Whoever you are or wherever you find yourself on the journey,
know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!**

- **The 2nd annual Self-Care Fair will be tomorrow/today. Most welcome to the cafeteria from 9 am-2 pm. Mental Health Providers & Agencies will be available for providing information and/or Breakout sessions.**
- **Today's 2nd collection will help the Catholic Relief Services and the Native & Black American missions.**
- **The "Novendias" or the Nine days of prayer in memory of Pope Francis begins today / began yesterday.**
- **Our Monday evening adoration will take place as usual from 6-8 pm.**
- **This Friday is the First Friday of the Month. There will be Holy Hour and First Friday devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus soon after the 8 am Mass. An increasing number of our parishioners are attending this devotion. Join us if you can**

Thomas was absent when Jesus appeared to the rest of the group. His absence cost him a golden opportunity. Yet Jesus showed his divine mercy by giving another appearance when Thomas was with the group. We are enriched when we come to worship as a community. May our gathering here on this Divine Mercy Sunday give us a happy experience of the Risen Christ who comes at the altar for our sake...

Music for Our Assembly

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

Gathering 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 . . . as we mourn the passing of Pope Francis, keep us true to our mission to spread the Good News of your resurrection and the Divine Mercy to all nations, we pray. . .
2. For world, national, and civic leaders, especially those of our own country . . . through their public service, help them bring about true peace in a world so often divided, we pray. . .
3. For this intentional community of St. Matthias, especially for our new members initiated at Easter Vigil, and for our youth celebrating Confirmation this Thursday, that their growing faith will flourish and become witnesses to the gospel, we pray...
4. For those who are in doubt, for those who have lost faith; for those who believe in the risen Christ without seeing him, that the Risen Christ will touch their hearts and strengthen them, we pray. . .
5. For those who endure illness of body, mind, or spirit: in your divine mercy, offer them solace and peace; For those who have died, especially ***Pope Francis and Jeannette Maria Burke*** . . . lead them into heaven to share in your everlasting victory over sin and death, we pray . . .
6. For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts today,... we pray . . .

The PRIEST now mentions the Mass intention and says the JUBILEE PRAYER as the concluding prayer:

5 PM: Intention for the Parishioners
8 AM: George Barker
10 AM: Anne & Michael Kovuda
12 PM: Rosario V. Anglo

Preparation of the Gifts - 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 – O Sons and Daughters

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!

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 Spirit blest.. Alleluia!

Text: 77 77 with alleluias; verse 1, Latin, 14th cent., para. in *Lyra Davidica*, 1708.

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

Give thank 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 thank to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.