



APRIL 8TH, 2018
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
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REFLECTION

The Day the Lord Made

Scott Hahn Reflects on Divine Mercy Sunday

Three times in today's Psalm we cry out a victory shout: "His mercy endures forever." Truly we've known the everlasting love of God, who has come to us as our Savior. By the blood and water that flowed from Jesus' pierced side (see John 19:34), we've been made God's children, as we hear in today's Epistle. Yet we never met Jesus, never heard Him teach, never saw Him raised from the dead. His saving Word came to us in the Church—through the ministry of the apostles, who in today's Gospel are sent as He was sent. He was made a life-giving Spirit (see 1 Corinthians 15:45) and He filled His apostles with that Spirit. As we hear in today's First Reading, they bore witness to His resurrection with great power. And through their witness, handed down in the Church through the centuries, their teaching and traditions have reached us (see Acts 2:42). We encounter Him as the apostles did—in the breaking of the bread on the Lord's day (see Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:2; Revelation 1:10). There is something liturgical about the way today's Gospel scenes unfold. It's as if John is trying to show us how the risen Lord comes to us in the liturgy and sacraments. In both scenes it is Sunday night. The doors are bolted tight, yet Jesus mysteriously comes. He greets them with an expression, "Peace be with you," used elsewhere by divine messengers (see Daniel 10:19; Judges 6:23). He shows them signs of His real bodily presence. And on both nights the disciples respond by joyfully receiving Jesus as their "Lord." Isn't this what happens in the Mass—where our Lord speaks to us in His Word, and gives himself to us in the sacrament of His body and blood? Let us approach the altar with joy, knowing that every Eucharist is the day the Lord has made—when the victory of Easter is again made wonderful in our eyes.



Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

HEROES IN HOLINESS
QUOTES FROM THE SAINTS

"Who except God can give you peace?
 Has the world ever been able to satisfy the heart??"

-Saint Gerard Majella

"We judge all things according to the divine truth"

- St. Augustine

The Saints who have gone before us are the witness,
 par excellence, to this tethering to Truth that enlightens and
 inspires and elevates mankind.

Mass Intentions
 FOR THE WEEK

APRIL 7 TO APRIL 14, 2018

SAT. APR. 7TH	5:00 PM	- Eugene Kim †
SUN. APR. 8TH	7:30 AM	- Cecilia Lugos †
	9:00 AM	- Thomas, Mary Ellen, & Patrick Britton †
	10:30 AM	- Nediakalaparambil in Thanksgiving
	12:00 PM	- People of the Parish
TUE. APR. 10TH	8:30 AM	- Patrick Fellows †
WED. APR. 11TH	7:30 PM	- Christina Lochan
THU. APR. 12TH	8:30 AM	- Georgina Da'Costa
FRI. APR. 13TH	7:30 PM	- McCleod Robin in Thanksgiving
SAT. APR. 14TH	8:30 AM	- Jose Calingasan †



OUR SICK: Rasheeda DeFranca, Sr. Cecilia Marie Ching, Sr. Theresa Ching, Innes Potgieter, Annie Garcia, Mario Tan Jr., Nicanor Gocado, Daniela Alario, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Cristeta Del Mundo, Dina Sorbera, Daniel Leonardo, Monica Bouchard, Kerrie Leonard, Ramona Labo, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Carmen Humbel, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Peter Pacione, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Maureen Dempsey, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Joshua Bolingot, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Clera Uy Cruz, Mary Loretta Noftall, Marie Herrera, Salome Mason, Frank McPhearson, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Loren Lea Hodgeson, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Tony & Nelie Sicat, Teofilo Mondala, Duverney Family, Anthony de la Isla, Leonard Rodrigues, John Jarman, William Dale, Anne O'Callaghan, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Deacon Gerald Godsoe, Ellen Jarman, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Nida Carandang, Marie McPherson, Marina Jose, Rasheeda DeFranca, Vicki Scallon, Frances Schober, William Schober, Rita Ropke, Marie Dignum, Maria Anna Diandra Rivera, Natalina Fernandes, Umbelina Felix, Anita Gouveia, Erlinda Balita, Colleen Balgobin, Joan Crowley, Webster Paul, Ela Sicat-Angeles

DID YOU KNOW?

What are the Beatitudes & what do they mean?
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of what is right, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

This final beatitude clearly implies that there is a real difference between joy and pleasure; for there is no pleasure in being persecuted, but you do find a secret joy in the very recesses of the soul, for you have become aware that you've received the gift of being drawn into the very heart of his silence. Christ is joy, and it is in being persecuted on account of him that you and I really come to know him. The silence of Christ is more joyful than the greatest joys the earth has to offer, and this is what persecution on account of Christ does for us, it takes us out of the noise of the world and into the profound rest of his other worldly silence. This beatitude clearly implies that Jesus is no mere human being. How absurd it would be for me to call anyone blessed for suffering persecution on my account.

2018 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 8 - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

2:45 pm - Praise & Worship, Mass, Procession and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Novena, Blessing of Images & Religious Articles.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The next Bundle Up Weekend - April 7/8

The truck will be in the parking lot on the weekend of March 7/8. We are pleased to accept clothing, linens, draperies and housewares. Please note, electronics, toys, books, furniture should not be donated.

Bereavement Peer Support meeting

Date: Saturday April 21, 2018

Time: 3-4 pm

Place: St. Stephen's Room

(Downstairs from side entrance
on Markanna Drive)

New Members are welcomed.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's liturgy program is on Sunday's at the 10:30 am Mass. Geared towards children in Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 6.

April 8, 2018 - 2nd Sunday of Easter

GOSPEL THEME: JESUS IS RISEN

John 20: 19-31



SCHOOL MASSES

Parents & community members are welcome to join our parish schools as they celebrate their school masses;

- **St. Nicholas School:** Tuesday April 10, 2018 at 2pm
- held in the school

- **St. Boniface School:** Friday April 13, 2018 at 10am
- held in the church

PARISH SCHOOLS FAMILY MASS

On Tuesday April 17, 2018 at 6:00pm we will celebrate Mass with our 3 schools at our church. This Mass will be hosted by St. Agatha School.

All are welcome!



WHY MY FAITH IS IMPORTANT TO ME

~ YEAR OF THE SCHOOL ~

Faith is my life! My faith makes the rest of my world easy and not Challenging. My faith gives me courage, hope, understanding and knowledge. My faith brings a good vibe in me, knowing that I can do my best what life throws at me. Always have complete trust and confidence in yourself. My faith helps me achieve life's goals and accomplishments. Faith gives me joy and optimism, even though there are many people around the world that have no faith in themselves. During catechism classes, when I was receiving confirmation, we discussed faith and what it means to us. They then asked me what faith means to me so I said believing in myself, staying strong and having confidence in what I do! - Susan, St. Agatha

ST. BONIFACE SPEAKER SERIES

Family Lecture Series

"Here & There: Literacy is Everywhere"

Jonathon Butler from TCDSB Literacy Resource

Literacy is about more than reading and writing --it is about how we communicate in society. It is about social practices and relationships, about knowledge, language and culture. Literacy finds its place in our lives alongside other ways of communicating. Indeed, Literacy itself takes many forms: on paper, on the computer screen, on TV, on posters and signs. Those who use literacy take it for granted - but those who cannot use it are excluded from much communication in today's world. Indeed, it is the excluded who can best appreciate the notion of "literacy as freedom."

****NEW DATE AND TIME****

**THURSDAY APRIL 12 AT 7:00PM
In the Church**



CWL MEETING

Our parish Catholic Women's League Council will have a meeting on Sunday April 15th after the 12noon Mass in the parish hall. We would like to see as many of our members attend.



CAMP BONIFACE 2018

We will be moving ahead with Camp Boniface again this summer. Camp Boniface is a Summer Day Camp for those between 6 and 13 years old.

Each week, Camp Boniface incorporates the Catholic faith in a way that is completely relatable to campers! We help campers learn about the faith without even realizing they are learning!

Week #1: Tuesday July 3 to Friday July 6, 2018

Week #2: Monday July 9 to Friday July 13, 2018

Week #3: Monday July 16 to Friday July 20, 2018

Each week is \$75

or you can come to all 3 weeks;

\$190 = FULL CAMP EXPERIENCE!

Includes Registration to all 3 weeks of camp!

Please contact Parish Office for registration form.

**** Limited Spots Available ****

Registration Forms Due June 30th

NEXT EDGE NIGHT

Due to upcoming Parish events, the next 2 Edge nights are cancelled. Here are the dates of the remaining Edge Nights:

Tuesday April 17, 2018;

Family of Schools Mass 6-7pm - No EDGE

Tuesday May 1, 2018; Confirmation - No EDGE

Tuesday May 15, 2018 - EDGE 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Tuesday May 29, 2018 - EDGE 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Tuesday June 5, 2018 - EDGE 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Tuesday June 19, 2018 - EDGE SUMMER SOCIAL

Where: St. Boniface Church Hall

EDGE is a Ministry for those in grades 6,7 & 8.

Parents, please follow us on FaceBook for information and latest updates. Search "St. Boniface Parish EDGers and Parents" and request to join.



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