



**St. Mary Immaculate  
Catholic Church  
& St. Peter Mission  
Second Sunday of Easter  
Divine Mercy  
April 16th 2023**



**St. Mary Immaculate**

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm (English)  
Sunday 10:30 am (English) 12:00 pm (Español)  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 am (English)

**Reconciliation/ Confesiones**

First Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm (English)  
Primer Jueves del mes a las 7:00 pm (Español)

**Holy Hour/ Hora Santa**

First Friday of the month after 9:00 am Mass  
Primer jueves del mes a las 7:00 pm

**St. Peter Mission**

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**Mass Schedule:**

Sunday: 9:00 am (English)  
Tuesdays 9:00 am (English)

**Office Hours—Horas de Oficina**

**Tuesday-Friday—Martes a Viernes:  
12:00 pm—4:00 pm**

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**EXEMPLAR OF THE FAITH**

Poor Thomas. Singled out from among the disciples because he refused to believe what they were telling him—that they had seen, in the flesh, their friend and their Lord, Jesus Christ. Can any of us really blame him? All of the disciples were terrified, crestfallen, hiding. But what of Thomas? Just where was he when Jesus appeared the first time to the group huddled in fear? He had gone “out”—out of the community where his faith had life. Maybe this was actually a blessing for Thomas and not the curse associated with the “doubting Thomas” moniker bestowed on him by tradition. Oh, the divine mercy of the Lord! Could Thomas be the forerunner of all of us who come in fragile hope and uncertainty to the Christian community, so beautifully described in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles? Could Thomas be an ultimate exemplar of the faith described in the First Letter of Peter?

**EJEMPLO DE LA FE**

Pobre Tomás. Señalado entre los discípulos porque se negó a creer lo que le decían: que habían visto, en carne y hueso, a su amigo y a su Señor, Jesucristo. ¿Puede alguno de nosotros culparle? Todos los discípulos estaban aterrados, cabizbajos, escondidos. ¿Pero qué hay de Tomás? ¿Dónde estaba él cuando Jesús se apareció por primera vez al grupo agazapado por el miedo? Se había ido “fuera”, fuera de la comunidad donde su fe tenía vida. Tal vez esto fue en realidad una bendición para Tomás y no la maldición asociada al apelativo de “Tomás el incrédulo” que le otorgó la tradición. ¡Oh, la divina misericordia del Señor! ¿Podría ser Tomás el precursor de todos los que llegamos con frágil esperanza e incertidumbre a la comunidad cristiana, tan bellamente descrita en la lectura de los Hechos de los Apóstoles? ¿Podría ser Tomás un ejemplo máximo de la fe descrita en la Primera Carta de Pedro?

## OUR FASCINATING FAITH

### Divine Mercy

Saint John Paul II named the Second Sunday of Easter “Sunday of Divine Mercy” in response to Saint Faustina Kowalska’s Divine Mercy devotion, which offered spiritual comfort to hearts worldwide. But Pope Francis challenges us to make the comfort that we receive a gift we gladly share, saying that because mercy was first shown to us we are therefore called to show mercy ourselves. The clearest expression of merciful love, says Francis, is pardoning others. He acknowledges how difficult it can be to forgive sometimes, but if we are to achieve peace in our hearts, pardon is the tool that has been put into our very fallible hands. The necessary condition for living joyfully? We must let go of anger, hatred, revenge, and violence. A tall order in a world seemingly bent on the destruction of every peaceful impulse. May Divine Mercy Sunday remind us that Jesus made mercy our life’s ideal and a criterion for our faith’s credibility: “Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy” (Matthew 5:7).

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### DOUBT

There lives more faith in honest doubt,  
Believe me, than in half the creeds.

—Alfred, Lord Tennyson

### SAVE UP

When saving for old age, be sure to lay up a few pleasant thoughts.

—Anonymous

## NUESTRA FASCINANTE FE

### La Divina Misericordia

San Juan Pablo II dedicó el segundo domingo de Pascua “Domingo de la Divina Misericordia” en respuesta a la devoción de Santa Faustina Kowalska, que ofrecía consuelo espiritual a los corazones de todo el mundo. Pero el Papa Francisco nos desafía a que el consuelo que recibimos sea un don que compartamos con gusto, diciendo que porque la misericordia se nos mostró primero estamos llamados a mostrar misericordia nosotros mismos. La expresión más clara del amor misericordioso dice Francisco, es perdonar a los demás. Reconoce lo difícil que puede ser a veces perdonar, pero si queremos lograr la paz en nuestros corazones, el perdón es la herramienta que se ha puesto en nuestras muy falibles manos. ¿La condición necesaria para vivir con alegría? Debemos dejar de lado la ira, el odio, la venganza y la violencia. Una tarea difícil en un mundo que parece empeñado en la destrucción de todo impulso pacífico. Que el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia nos recuerde que Jesús hizo de la misericordia nuestro ideal de vida y un criterio de credibilidad de nuestra fe: “Bienaventurados los misericordiosos, porque ellos tendrán misericordia” (Mateo 5,7).

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### LA DUDA

Créeme; hay más fe en la duda sincera,  
que en la mitad de los credos.

—Alfred, Lord Tennyson

### AHORRA

Cuando ahorres para la vejez, asegúrate de guardar unos cuantos pensamientos agradables.

—Anónimo

## CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

### From Saint Patrick’s Breastplate

I arise today  
through God’s strength to pilot me,  
God’s might to uphold me,  
God’s wisdom to guide me,  
God’s eye to look before me,  
God’s ear to hear me,  
God’s hand to guard me,  
God’s way to lie before me,  
God’s shield to protect me,  
God’s hosts to save me from the snares of the devil.

## LA ESQUINA DE ORACIÓN CATÓLICA

### De la Coraza de San Patricio

Me levanto hoy,  
gracias a la fuerza de Dios para pilotarme:  
el poder de Dios para sostenerme,  
la sabiduría de Dios para guiarme,  
el ojo de Dios para mirar ante mí,  
el oído de Dios para escucharme,  
la mano de Dios para protegerme,  
la forma de Dios de mentir ante mí,  
el escudo de Dios para protegerme,  
el anfitrión de Dios para asegurarme  
contra las trampas de los demonios.



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### Prayers / Oraciones

For all the people who are suffering from a illness, specially for: Kathy Nyssen, Alex, Ada McFauld.  
Por todas las personas que sufren alguna enfermedad. Oremos por todos.

### Mass Intentions

Saturday 15th 7:00 pm  
Sunday 16th 10:30 am  
Sunday 16th 12:00 pm

### St. Peter’s Mission

Sunday 16th = 9:00 am For the well-being of Ray Sommerfield + Marilyn Sommerfield



## Knights of Columbus

Pasta Dinner  
April 22nd, 2023  
In St. Mary’s hall at 6:00 pm  
Only \$10.00

**Second Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy  
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

One of the great Easter traditions is “mystagogy,” an ancient word meaning “reflection on the mysteries.” It is a style of catechesis, or passing on the faith. People who have shared an experience, in this case those who have been baptized at Easter, are urged to recall their experience, reflect on its meaning, and apply their insights to their new way of life.

There is an aspect of an experience that is simply not available until you’ve had it. For example, you may think you know weddings inside out; you’ve been to dozens, seen hundreds in the movies or on television, but until you’ve said “I do” to another, there is a certain knowledge unavailable to you. Those who go down into the waters of baptism as adults have similar experiences; they have all taken baths before, but not like this one! Mystagogy helps such persons to uncover the deep meaning of the experience, their sense of a new beginning, of God’s abundant love, of forgiveness, of community.

It takes time for the power of the Easter Vigil to work its wonders for us. Those who are newly baptized are called “neophytes,” meaning “newly planted.” The tender buds of spring need care and nurturing, and our new brothers and sisters need your prayer and your faithful example.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**Segundo Domingo de Pascua (Domingo de la Divina Misericordia)**

**TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE**

El día 30 de marzo recordamos el nacimiento de uno de nuestros propios héroes: César Estrada Chávez, quien nació en Arizona en 1927 y falleció en Los Ángeles, California en 1993. El racismo y la injusticia de su tiempo, obligaron a él y su familia a salir de su natal Arizona, pues sus padres perdieron sus tierras a causa de unos malhechores. En 1938 el destino lo llevó a Los Ángeles, al barrio “Sal, si puedes”.

Con la ayuda de Dolores Huerta y otras personas, en 1962 fundó el movimiento sindical de campesinos que daría a luz a United Farm Workers para protestar por las injusticias que nuestro pueblo sufría en los viñedos, situación que bien puede describirse como barbarie. Muchos se unieron a la “huelga” y al boicoteo de uvas bajo la bandera roja del águila azteca y el estandarte de Guadalupe. De esta manera, con símbolos de nuestro origen indígena y religioso, César nos enseñó que “Sí se puede” salir adelante.

En dos ocasiones, en 1972 y en 1988 respectivamente, debido a que algunos compañeros del movimiento querían incurrir en la violencia para salir adelante, César hizo un ayuno de 24 y 36 días respectivamente. De esta manera exhortó una vez más a todo el movimiento de que sólo mediante el trabajo, la fe y el sacrificio se pueden lograr las cosas. ¡Sí se puede!

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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**SUNDAY OF THE DIVINE MERCY**



**DOMINGO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA**

**FOOD PANTRY**

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