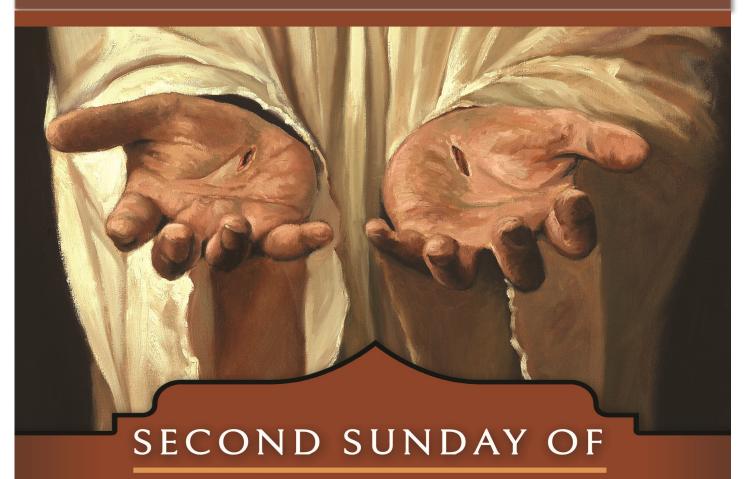
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Easter

(OR OF DIVINE MERCY)
APRIL 11, 2021

Jesus said to Thomas,
"Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

John 20:29



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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00 PM.

SUNDAY: 8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

DAILY MONDAY - FRIDAY

12:00 Noon

CONFESSIONS

THURSDAY: 11:30AM-12NOON SATURDAY: 3:15 - 4:00 PM.

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

8:00AM ~12NOON ~6:00PM

BAPTISMS

Parents must be registered parishioners. Please call the parish office for information about our baptism schedule and preparation requirements.

WEDDINGS

Bride, groom or parents must reside in parish area and be registered parishioners. Please contact the parish office to prepare for your wedding at least six months in advance of your proposed wedding date and before making any preparations for a hall.

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LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 11, 2021 - Divine Mercy Sunday 8:00 AM Intention of our Parish Family

10:00 AM †John Power, Sr. - Gloria Power

†William Cizek, Sr. - Family

†Jose Llereza - Lito and Zeny Dungca

†Purita Borras - Family

Intention of Jeremy Gooding - Family

Monday, April 12, 2021

12:00PM Intention of Lilia Jacinto - Rene Vangie & Family

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

12:00 PM †Tomasa Felix - Family

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

12:00 PM †Frank Peluso and Joseph Venegone - Family

Thursday, April 15, 2021

12:00 PM Intention of Teddie Morris - Loving Family

Friday, April 16, 2021

12:00 PM †Laura Bakrins - Gail Barone

Saturday, April 17, 2021

4:00PM †Robert A. Cynowa - Loving Wife

Living and Deceased Members of the Tumino and Demma Families - K & M Demma Families

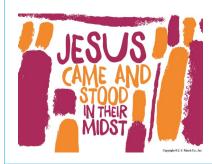
Sunday, April 18, 2021

8:00 AM Intention of our Parish Family

10:00 AM †Marie Cordero - Vilma Tionloc

†Dr. Dionisio Marucut. - Lito & Zeny Dungca

† Denotes Deceased



Dear Padre,

I get a lot of questions from Protestant friends about the Catholic "obsession" (as they put it) with Mary. What should I say to them?



convert to Catholicism tells the story of a dinner he had with a friend who had a very evangelical outlook. As they talked about the new Catholic's decision to convert, the friend asked hesitantly, "What do you think about Mary?" The new Catholic smiled and said, "I think she's wonderful, don't you?" The friend responded with an embarrassed "Yes, but...."

If Catholics and Protestants can begin with this premise—that Mary is wonderful—it might be possible to step back and consider why. Mary is an extraordinary human being who holds a special place in the Christian faith for two reasons: first, it was through her that God became flesh in the person of Jesus Christ; and second, she was the first to believe in Jesus' mission and ministry.

All Catholic doctrine about Mary refers to two special relationships. She has a special relationship with God because she bore the "God-man" in her womb. She also has a special relationship with us because she was the first Christian.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

A WORD FROM Pope Francis

[The disciples] had abandoned the Lord at his passion and felt guilty. But meeting them, Jesus did not give a long sermon. To them, who were wounded within, he shows his own wounds. Thomas can now touch them and know of Jesus' love and how much Jesus had suffered for him, even though he had abandoned him.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020

Calendar

Monday

APRIL 12 Easter Weekday Acts 4:23–31

Jn 3:1–8 **Tuesday**

APRIL 13
Easter Weekday
Acts 4:32–37
Jn 3:7b–15

Wednesday

APRIL 14
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:17–26
Jn 3:16–21

Thursday

APRIL 15
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:27–33
Jn 3:31–36

Friday

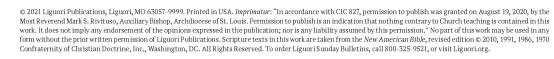
APRIL 16
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:34–42
Jn 6:1–15

Saturday

APRIL 17
Easter Weekday
Acts 6:1–7
Jn 6:16–21

Sunday

APRIL 18 Third Sunday of Easter Acts 3:13–15, 17–19 1 Jn 2:1–5a Lk 24:35–48





Parish News



Updated Confession Schedule

Confessions will **no longer** be heard on Thursdays before the 12noon Mass.

Confessions will continue on Fridays before the 12noon Mass, starting at 11:30am.

Confessions will remain on Saturdays from 3:15pm-4pm.

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE

For those who desire the Eucharist but are not comfortable coming to Mass, Father Jose will be available on Tuesdays by <u>appointment</u> from 9am—2 pm (excluding the time of the Noon Mass) when he will come to your car to give you the Eucharist and to give a blessing.

Please meet at Rectory garage. Please call the office to schedule a time.



"Blessed are those who have not seen and have yet believed." John 20:29

Minister Schedule

SATURDAY, APRIL 17 - 4:00 PM

Presider: Father Jose and Deacon Peter

SUNDAY, APRIL 18 - 8:00 AM

Presider: Father Bob

SUNDAY, APRIL 18 - 10:00 AM

Presider: Father Jose

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, March 28, 2021 - \$8,636 Sunday, April 4, 2021 - \$4,715 Easter Sunday - \$18,200 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT OF ASCENSION OF OUR LORD PARISH.



SAVE THE DATE!

Join us on **Sunday, May 2, 2021 as** we celebrate Fr. Jose Kadukunnel's 35th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.



Ascension of our Lord Parishioners have been gathering at the parking lot front door entrances of:

Oakbrook Healthcare -(Mondays 10am) Terra Vista of Oakbrook Terrace-(Tuesdays10am) Lexington Healthcare-Lombard - (Fridays 10am)

to pray the rosary. These parishioners pray for the those residents in the facility along with prayers for the healthcare workers and their families.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE STOP BY AND PRAY. PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION.

What a wonderful way to pray the rosary !



Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

If you or a family member are ill and would like to be placed on the Ascension of Our Lord Prayer List, please call the Parish Office. The name will be added for one month. Due to privacy issues, we will only honor requests made by you or a family member. Name

will remain on list for one month. Please call the Parish Office at 630-629-5810 to add a name to the "Pray for the Sick" list.

This Week's Calendar

Monday, April 12: Mass 12 noon

TUESDAY, APRIL 13: BLESSING & SPECIAL COMMUNION 9AM-2PM, 12NOON MASS, RE 6:00PM CLASSROOMS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14 12NOON - MASS

THURSDAY, APRIL 15: 10:30AM LEGION OF MARY -CORPUS CHRISTI, 12NOON - MASS,

FRIDAY, APRIL 16: 11:30AM CONFESSION, 12NOON ! Mass,

SATURDAY, APRIL 17: 3:15 – CONFESSION, 4:00PM MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 18: MASS 8AM AND 10AM MASS

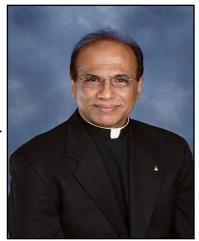


SAVE THE DATE!

Celebrate Father Jose's 35th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on Sunday, May 2nd!

Join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving at 10am followed by a socially distant picnic from 11am—1pm!

Lunch will be provided for all! In order to get an accurate count for Mass attendance and food, please register on the parish website or call the parish office beginning 4-12-21 after 10am

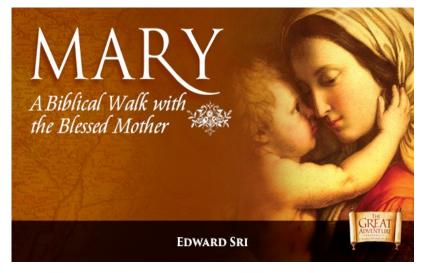


Come anytime to celebrate with Father Jose!

For the many who have asked, "How Can I Help?", we will accept donations of bottled water and financial donations to offset the Parish costs.

Due to Covid restrictions, we will not be accepting food donations.

During this month of May, spend some time getting to know our Blessed Mother!



BACK BY POPULAR
DEMAND!
Wednesdays from
May 5th – June 2nd
facilitated by Vince Zaprzal.
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. on ZOOM!

Registration is required. Please register by calling the parish office or by going to the parish website.

\$10 per person!

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

Around the Diocese and Parish Neighborhood

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

COMMUNICATION STILL DISTANCED

Although we still are very limited in our interactions with you: our supporters, Members, and people in need, due to the safety limits of Covid-19 transmission, we still hope to be able to reach out to you and to extend as best we can our help to everyone calling upon us. Please forgive us if we cannot get back to your requests, recognizing your donations, and being able to collect your clothing, household goods, and furniture as soon as you call. We still very much appreciate everything you do for us and those in need at this time. We will do our best to meet your needs, your requests, your referrals, and other offers of help in our Ministry. Like you, we are making every step closer to being able to meet face-to-face with you and discuss what we need to do for you and what we need from you. Remember, we can always meet through God by prayer and good intentions of all. Your collective support is very much appreciated and we wish to remain good friends regardless of social or physical distancing. We hope that we all soon move safely to being able to meet and discuss your and our needs in our mutual concerns for others. Be safe, healthy and strong as we move forward with God's eternal help.

APRIL Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Every April, Catholic parishes and schools across the United States participate in National Child Abuse Prevention Month.



The Effects of ARIISE

When a child is abused, the effects are grave and can last a lifetime. Some of the most common effects of abuse include:

- · Loss of faith and trust in God
- Post-traumatic stress disorder, psychological distress, and other indirect signs of trauma, such as anxiety, trouble sleeping, chronic stomach pain, and headaches.
- A greater risk of developing behavioral problems, substance abuse, and suicide.

The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt, and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place.

Steps to Prevent ABUSE

Communicate with Your Children

It is extremely important to communicate openly with your children. Let them know that they can talk to you about anything that bothers them. This will help you identify warning signs and grooming behaviors perpetrated by offenders before they escalate to abuse.

Educate Yourself and Your Children on Abuse

Learning how to identify, prevent, and report abuse is key. Parents and guardians should empower their children to protect themselves from harm and to report abuse. Ask your diocesan safe environment coordinator or parish delegate about opportunities for safe environment training.

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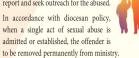
Identify and Report Warning Signs of Child Abusers

Grooming behaviors are the actions abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.

Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts, while others allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, such as wrestling and tickling. Abusers also often try to isolate their victims from family or friends and encourage their victims to keep secrets from their parents or other caring adults.

Holding Offenders ACCOUNTABLE

To help hold offenders accountable, report all suspected abuse to local public authorities. You can also contact your local diocesan victim assistance coordinator to make a report and seek outreach for the abused.



"Let it be clear that before these abominations the Church will spare no effort to do all that is necessary to bring to justice whosoever has committed such crimes . . . To those who abuse minors I would say this: convert and hand yourself over to human justice, and prepare for divine justice."

-Pope Francis, Dec. 21, 2018







SATURDAY AFTERNOON ONLINE SPRING TEA SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2021

1:00 PM

"PRAYING OUR EXPERIENCES"

Presented by Nanci Lukasik-Smith

In this presentation, Nanci explores the everyday experiences of life and how we can bring our daily challenge and life experiences into prayer.

\$10 registration Register online at mayslakeministries.org or by phone at 630-852-9000.

Nanci earned her Certificate of Study in Lay Leadership through the University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, Illinois; holds an Advanced Certificate in Special Needs Faith Formation from the University of Dayton (VLCFF). She is currently in the graduate program at the University of St. Mary of the Lake working towards her Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies and studying Ministerial Coaching through Catholic Theological Union as well.

Nanci is a certified professional Spiritual Director, and served on the Diocese of Joliet's advisory committee to the Bishop, focused on working with individuals with Special Needs and their families. She is also an affiliate and published author with Mayslake Ministries.

Jesus, I Trust in You



Prayer by Pope Francis for the Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things;

made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!" You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen. Taken from my catholiclife



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