

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 8, 2018

So That You May Believe

It is not often that the author of one of the books of the Bible comes right out and tells us directly why he is writing what he is writing. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, taken from the conclusion of John's Gospel, the author tells us that he has chosen to record these events so "that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name" (20:31).



The letter of John echoes this idea by saying that "[e]veryone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God" (5:1)—what we might refer to as being "born again." Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles for this Second Sunday of Easter shows us exactly what it looks like when believers are born again through faith.

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Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Julian Calendar Easter,
Divine Mercy Sunday
Monday: Annunciation of the Lord
Wednesday: St. Stanislaus
Thursday: Yom Ha-Shoa (Holocaust
Remembrance Day)
Friday: St. Martin I

Thank You...

to all volunteers who helped with our Holy Week and Easter preparation and liturgies. We are grateful for our Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Musicians, Hospitality Ministers, Decorators and Altar Servers.



... and for the Flowers

A heart-felt appreciation to everyone who donated toward the purchase of the beautiful Easter Lilies. The donation envelopes with the names of your loved ones will remain on the altar throughout the Easter season.

Rice Bowls

Don't forget to turn in your Rice Bowls. Your support HELPS families around the world through the good works of Catholic Relief Services.

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Annual Ministry Appeal

Thank you to the 50 families in our parish who have pledged/donated a total of \$16,125. We have surpassed our diocesan goal of \$12,800. Anything above the \$12,800 is returned to the parish and will be put toward our solar lighting project. It is not too late to make a pledge.



(April 7-13)

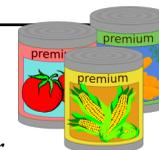
Sat., 5:00 pm- +Alfonzo Nunez
+Sardis Hickam
Int. John & Leslie McGarry
Sun., 9:00 am- Int. Marlo Family
+Joe Gomes
+Craig Marlo
Sun., 6:00 pm- +Anna Marie Andalon
Mon., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Tues., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Wed., 9:00 am- Int. Mike Mulligan
Thur., 9:00 am- +Rosemary Marker
Fri., 9:00 am- +Anita Aranda Camberos
+Ester Mojica

In Need of Prayer...

Tomme Brennan, Alice Blankenship, John Pollock, Ryan Kelez, Gloria Villalvazo, Karen Gallagher, Nancy Green, Carol Bader, Irene Hammond, Brad Goforth, Julie Victorino, Victoria Martinez, Althea Soto.

Food Pantry Needs

- ◇ Small Jars Peanut Butter
 - ◇ Canned Soups, Meat, Fruit, Tomato Sauce (ready to eat with pop-top lids if possible)
 - ◇ Pasta
- Please bring these by the parish office.



The Annunciation of the Lord

April 9, This feast celebrates the wondrous event that binds God and humanity forever. Christ, the Word who becomes the Son of Mary, is enfleshed in her womb, making Mary the Mother of God. The liturgy celebrates the beginning of God's new redemptive work and recognizes Mary as the "new Eve," who generously agreed to be a participant in God's plan of salvation. May we imitate her generous and trusting commitment when she gave herself fully to God's mysterious ways. *(Living with Christ, April 2018)*



Homebound Parishioners

Are you interested in receiving the Eucharist? We have trained and caring Ministers to the Sick who can provide Communion at home to those who are unable to attend Mass. Please contact the parish office if you or someone you know would like Communion at home.

Parish Offerings

Easter: \$5,505.00
Holy Thursday: \$ 669.00
Holy Land: \$ 634.00

Thank You for Your Support!

Men's Club

Calling All Men! Please join us for a great dinner and fellowship on Tues., April 17th, at 6:00 pm in the hall. Please use the sign-up sheet near the church entrance if you plan to attend.