April 16, 2023 The Second Sunday of Easter



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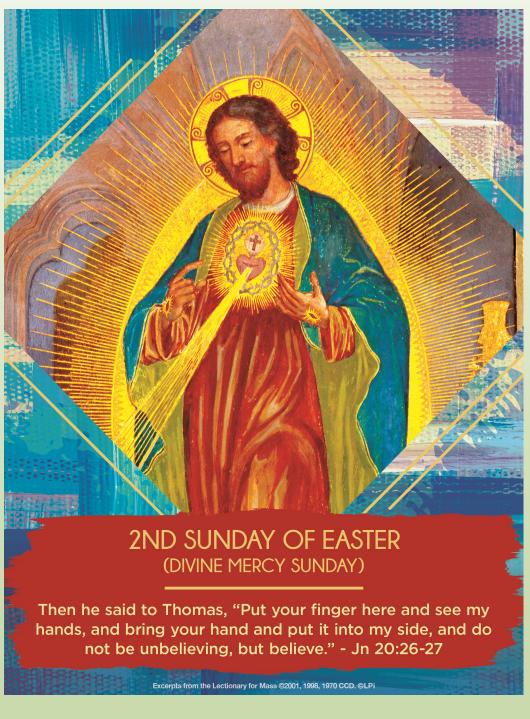
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Mass times: Weekends: Sat, Vigil at 4:30 p.m., Sundays 8:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Daily Mass: 8:15 a.m. in the Chapel (Eucharistic Service on Mondays)



Bulletin and Worship Aid

Covenant Prayer-found on the last page of the hymnal

Entrance: **#562 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**

Introductory Rites

Opening Prayer Penitential Rite

Gloria **#313**

Liturgy of the Word

#1166 First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Responsorial: Psalm 118



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#1166 Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel Acclamation:



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#1166 Gospel: John 20:19-31

Homily

The Nicene Creed (First page of hymnal)

Universal Prayer **Response: Lord, hear our prayer**

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Music during the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts: **#740 We Walk by Faith** Preface Dialogue Holy **#316** Memorial Acclamation **#318** The Great Amen **#319**

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer Lamb of God **#320**

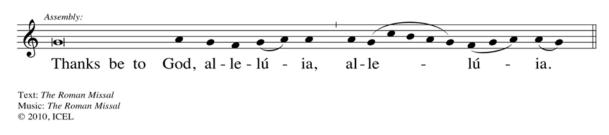
Communion: # 1008 I Am the Bread of Life

Meditation: #569 Be My Hands and Feet

Concluding Rite

Blessing

Solemn Dismissal: Easter Dismissal



Sending Forth

Alleluia! Love Is Alive

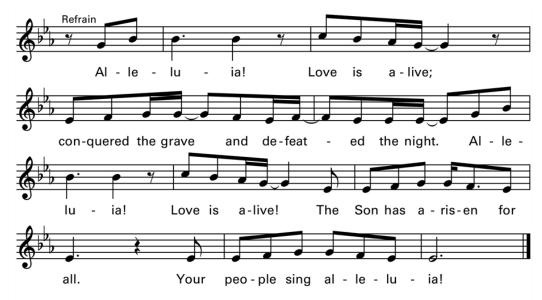
 People of God, see the morning is new; rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb.
 Come and see! Come and see! He is alive!
 A grave that is empty, a promise fulfilled.
 God who was with us is here with us still.
 He is here! He is here! He is alive!

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! Steve Angrisano, Jesse Manibusan, and Sarah Hart

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!



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today is the Second Sunday of Easter/Sunday of Divine Mercy. The joy of this Easter Season continues!

Is it true that we have not seen? Is it really true that we have FAITH without having seen Christ? Is not more truthful to say we have seen Christ? Haven't we seen Christ in others? How have we come to the faith if it wasn't that we saw Christ in others: in the stories of the saints, in the love and devotion of our parents, in the kindness and patience of a friend, in the gentle holiness of a grandparent?

We come to believe because, in truth, we have seen Christ. There lies the challenge; we need to be the ones of great faith so that others who see US will see CHRIST AND BELIEVE!

Let us pray. God of tenderness and compassion, you have given us your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, as our companion on this journey to you. He has made known to us your boundless mercy, understanding, and acceptance toward one another. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I WISH YOU GOD'S ABUNDANT BLESSINGS DURING THIS BEAUTIFUL EASTER SEASON!

Father Mike

Are you new? Register online!

NEW MEMBERS ONLINE REGISTRATION!

Online registration is available on the JGS website or by clicking here: <u>https://ccjgs.org/im-new</u>. To be eligible for admission to our Children's Faith Formation Program, reception of the Sacraments or to receive testimonial letters for sponsorship, an individual must be a registered, participating member of the parish, attend the sacraments, and support the parish via offertory and involvement.

> Weekend Mass Times: Sat, 4:30 p.m.; Sun, 8:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Livestream on our YouTube Channel

Daily Mass Times: Mon: *Eucharistic Service* 8:15 a.m.; Tues-Sat 8:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 3:00-4:00

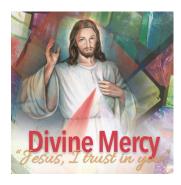
Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 8:45 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Bulletins may also be viewed online at <u>https://ccjgs.org/bulletin.</u> Most links are clickable when viewing the bulletin online.



COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS—All are welcome and encouraged to enjoy coffee and refreshments after both Masses on Sunday Mornings. Reach out to Anita and Chris Culkin at jgshospitality@gmail.com if you have any questions.





SECOND SPRING POTLUCK

DINNER Mon, May 1, at 4:30 <u>PM</u> in the Centre. All seniors are welcome. For information contact Ed Reilly at 443-968-9679 or

email ereilly2@comcast.net.

Religious Education: Helps to build a strong foundation

JGS offers Children's Faith Formation for grades pre-K 4 thru 9th grade. Classes are offered Sunday mornings and Sunday evenings. Easy online registration will begin in a few weeks. Set a reminder to check our website at https://ccigs.org/childrens-faith-formation. Or simply click on the link. Questions? Reach out to Maggie Gorman at religioused@ccjgs.org or 410-257-3810 ext 1015.

MEN'S MINISTRY.

All men of the community are invited and encouraged to get involved in one or both of our groups for men.

- JGS Men's Club— all men of the JGS community are invited and encouraged to join —check us out at <u>https://ccjgs.org/</u><u>mens-club</u> or reach out to Mike Horabik at Michael.horabik@comcast.net.
- Knights of Columbus—all men of the JGs community are invited and encouraged to join—check us out at https://ccigs.org/knights-of-columbus or reach out to Bob Fiacco at robertfiacco18@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

- Martha and Mary Ministry—meets once a month, Wednesday evenings, please contact Cathy Bodenhorn at 301-509-5648.
- Walking with Purpose—Multiple faith sharing groups, meet weekly, please contact Jen Olson at jen_m_olson@yahoo.com.

PARISH EVENTS

- Community Dinner and Trivia Night-Sat, May 6, Sat, June 3
- Mother's Day Brunch Sun, May 14 after both Sunday
- morning masses
 Hospitality after Sunday Morning Mass
- Covenant Sunday-last Sunday of September, mark your calendar!



ACT Summer Mission Trip update! This is a great opportunity for our teens to have a great experience (and we need chaperones too.)

We will be having a <u>meeting in</u> the youth lounge at 6:30 on April 23 for any teens and or parents who are interested in joining us in Tennessee this summer from July 8 through 15. If you are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, or in 10-12 grade, or a parent of such, and are interested in going but can't make it on 4/23 or if you have any questions contact Deacon Paul

at <u>deaconfagan@gmail.com</u>.



Eucharistic Adoration is available every Thursday in our chapel from 8:45 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. You are invited to spend an hour with the one who loves you. To sign up click or go to ccigs.org/adoration.

The Virtues of Hospitality, Spirituality, and Stewardship								
Hospitality Volunteers	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday-No Hospitality on Easter Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday	5th Sunday			
8: 00 a.m.	Buck/Kaputa/Thorne	Distad/Horabik	Harrington/Selke	Addison/O'Keefe	Buck/Kaputa/Thorne			
10:45 a.m.	Miller Family	Cleary/Gorman/Hepp/ VanWie	Anita & Chris Culkin	Volunteers needed call church office	Miller Family			

Last Names M-R

Try Your Hands at Pottery

Bakers/Donations

Garden Houses

Last Names A-F



Last Names G-L

for toads, frogs or fairies!

No experience necessary.

Participants must commit to **two** days:

#1 Create garden house Saturday, May 6 9:00 AM-11:30 PM

#2 Glaze garden house Saturday, May 20 9:00 AM-11:30 PM

\$30.00 per person Includes all materials, glazes and firings

Location: JGS Adult Art Studio. Please use the outside entrance.

Workshop is limited to 8 and open to all JGS <u>adult</u> members and <u>their friends</u>! Preregistration and payment is required and must be received by **Monday, May 1**. If your payment is *not* received by May 1 your slot will be given away.

Use the link below to register.

Place payment, with your name, in the *SHP Workshop* envelope in the back of the JGS centrè. Please make checks payable to: *Jesus the Good Shepherd*.

Hosted by: Shepherd's Hands Potters shpotters.jgs@gmail.com

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MIKE HALL 412-551-0338 mhall@4lpi.com

The link is: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DAFA723A3FDCF8-garden

Religious Education and Teen Events





Youth group meets Sunday, 4/16 & 4/30 Contact Deacon Paul at deaconpaul@ccjgs.org

The Virtues of Hospitality, Spirituality, and Stewardship



No longer shall the sun be your light by day, nor the brightness of the moon shine upon you at night; the Lord shall be your Light forever, your God shall be your glory.

Isaiah 60:19



RESUMPTION OF THE RECEPTION OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD AT MASS: JGS is resuming the reception of the Precious Blood at Mass. Be on the look out for the availability of the cup at various masses throughout the Easter season. To be able

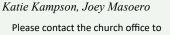
to receive both the true Body and Blood at Mass is such a beautiful expression of our belief in the Real Presence, especially in this time of Eucharistic Revival. For this gift of the Blood of Christ, together with His Body, let us give thanks to God and rejoice!

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Staff Sergeant Christopher R. Skirchak; LT jg Matthew Schwartz; Steve Looney; Billy Looney; Will Jones; LCDR Alex Scott; Nicholas Majers; James Lanson Weeks; Captain Robert Patterson, USMC; LT Nadila Khan, USN; Ross Noon; Col Phil Noltemeyer; William Ryan Thayer; LT. Col. Brian Genelin; Michael Parker; Michael Henry Thayer; Gerald Cullens; Scott

Mega; Capt. Kal Bassma; Mark Smith; Jacob Floyd; Christopher

Kuczek; Tyler Menoche; Tim Addison; Dylan Rayfield; Joshua Snyder; Brennan McConnell; Ian Torr; Michael Metler; Joev Wvvill: Shane Nissen; Lt. Ridge Alkonis, USN; Kyle Kampson;



have a name added to this list.

LIVE THE LITURGY **INSPIRATION FOR** THE WEEK

Doubting Thomas is a mood, and we've all had it. We hang our every hope on this sign, that proof. We challenge God: "Make me believe." To each of us he extends his wounded hand, to each of us he shows his pierced side. He will always meet us in our unbelief.



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PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Marie Pratt; Kathy Vassallo; Diana Lemon; Francis Langley; Mary Ann Hanagriff; Tim Connors; Alma Marie Lagimoniere; Finn Cusick; Buzz Bu- Streicker; Carolyn Rich; Bob Adrek; Mary Ann Burek; Liz Born; Rich- ams; Marsha Dunn; Janet Cleary; ard Rosati; Gael Dusseau; Ann Ma- Pat Conway; Leslie Hill; Bobbie Marrie Dardinski; Maria C. Ortiz; Me- tin; Chad Martin; Maureen Blakely; ghan Knapp; Robert J. Koehler; Juan Aranda, Sr., Sean Layne; Mar-Marty Oberman; Michael Davis; lene Remekis; Janet Coco; Barbara Jack DeGrange, Sr.; Thomas Haug; Christjohn; Kathy Boegershouser, Nick B.; Doug W.; Patrick Michael Laverne Gowin; Josi Johnson. Mensh; Lorraine Guest; Jean Dusseau; Anita Stuck Culkin; Gail Ricker; Les Silva; Marilyn Cooney; Chuck Kuhn; Gina Richardson; Tony Dockum; Janet Barna; John Barna;

Betite Burger; Julie Brinlee; Kendall Riley Bodenhorn; Linda Patterson; Katie Lakie; Elaine Shelby; Keith

> Friends/relatives in need of prayer and for those who have died contact the church office monthly to include them in our bulletin.

Weekend Mass Intentions for April 15-16, 2023				
Sat	4:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Marie Gardella at the request of Josie Boertline		
Sun	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Karen Turner, daughter of Mildred Stubbs		
Sun	10:45 AM	For the repose of the soul of Ernie Lagimoniere at there request of Maryann and the family		
Sun	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Rosemarie Glover, mother-in-law of Barbara Glover, at the request of Cheryl Gilmer		

	Mass Intentions for April 17-22, 2023					
Mon	4/17	8:15 AM	Eucharistic Service			
Tues	4/18	8:15 AM	For the repose of the soul of James Richardson, Sr., husband of Valerie, at the request of Cathy Bodenhorn			
Wed	4/19	8:15 AM	For the Happy Repose of Souls in Purgatory			
Thurs	4/20	8:15 AM	For the repose of the soul of Rosemarie Glover at the request of Carol Swann and Dave Wilson			
Fri	4/21	8:15 AM	For the repose of the soul Helen Dianne Schubert at the request of Joan Hopkins			
Sat	4/22	8:15 AM	For prayers answered	7		



Second Sunday of Easter / Sunday of Divine Mercy

Gift of Mercy

God of mercy, you rain down compassion upon a world in great need of healing and shower humanity with unconditional love.

Pour your Holy Spirit into our hearts today. Help each of us to receive your gift of mercy and allow it to transform our lives. As we celebrate in Easter joy, make us instruments of peace and mercy in our families, communities, and Church. Through Christ our risen Lord. Amen. © 2023 Liturgy Training Publications. 800-933-1800. Text by Lisa M. Orchen. Permission to publish granted by the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Sunday, April 16, 2023 Divine Mercy *Today's readings: Acts 2:42–47; Psalm 118:2–4, 13–15, 22–24; 1* *Peter 1:3–9; John 20:19–31.* During the Jubilee Year of 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina Kowalska and declared that the universal Church would henceforth observe the Sunday after Easter as the Sunday of Divine Mercy. As we end the Octave of Easter, we are invited to contemplate the mystery of the resurrection in the light of God's infinite mercy. The richness of God's mercy radiates through today's Scriptures and especially in Jesus' compassionate response toward Thomas' unbelief. The gift of mercy is explicitly given when Jesus commissions his disciples as ministers of divine mercy: "He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (John 20:22–23). Through entrusting the first disciples with the gift of forgiving sins, Jesus initiated a waterfall of mercy for all of humanity.

Sr. Faustina repeatedly heard a call to proclaim God's mercy to the world. She promoted the chaplet of divine mercy to raise spiritual awareness of God's mercy. Today, many Catholics will visit shrines devoted to divine mercy and pray the chaplet of divine mercy. Our Church announces to the world that God is merciful and that we are invited to rest in his loving embrace. May our hearts grow more aware of the mercy of God in our lives. In turn, may we actively show mercy to those who need it most.

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By this light I shall come to know that you, eternal Trinity, are table and food and waiter for us. You, eternal Father, are the table that offers us as food the Lamb, your only-begotten Son. He is the most exquisite of foods for us, both in his teaching, which nourishes us in your will, and in the sacrament that we receive in holy communion, which feeds and strengthens us while we are pilgrim travelers in this life. And the Holy Spirit is indeed a waiter for us, for he serves us this teaching by enlightening our mind's eye with it and inspiring us to follow it. And he serves us charity for our neighbors and hunger to have as our food souls and the salvation of the whole world for the Father's honor.

St. Catherine of Siena, Fourteenth Century





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 site:
 Our world is

hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. <u>https://</u> www.eucharisticrevival.org/



CHRISTMAS IN APRIL "NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS" – For the past 27 years the Covenant Community of Jesus the Good Shepherd has partnered with Christmas in April *in the last week of April* making needed repairs to homes of lower income Calvert County homeowners (seniors on fixed income, families with children, disabled, and veter-

ans) assisting them to live independently in warm, secure, dry, and safe homes. Skilled and unskilled volunteers are welcome to join in the repairs of our assigned house(s). For further information on helping the last week of April contact Randy Kozik at 301-520-2537 (cell) or email at rkozik@comcast.net or Glenn Phelps at Gphelps.ciacc@gmail.com.

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CHRIST IS RISEN! As His disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of Christ's Resurrection. The fruitful ministries at our parish

are examples of how many of you have answered, and continue to answer, that call. To ensure such work can continue requires not only gifts of time, but also of financial help. I ask you to prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through Faith Direct. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/ MD612, or use the QR code or call Faith

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You'll provide JGS with consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.



Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

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Cardinal Hickey Academy Presents: FROZEN April 21st and 22nd 7:00 pm Directed By: **Dawn Nazzaro**

Music & Lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez & Robert Lopez

Book by

Jennifer Lee Based on the Disney film written by Jennifer Lee and directed by Chris Buck and Jennifer Lee

Disney's Frozen JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY 212-541-4684 mtishows.com

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Contact Laura Cleary at 410-257-3810 (secretary@ccigs.org) for Mass Cards/ Intentions; Sponsor Certificates (for Sacraments) or to place bulletin announcements. Deadline for bulletin items is Thursday at noon, 10 days before the weekend you want your article to appear. Thank you!

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NEW TO PARISH? – Welcome to our Catholic Community! We encourage you to register with us as soon as possible. To register go to <u>ccigs.org/im-new</u>. The best way to connect with us is through Flocknote. **From your phone:** Text: 84576 Keyword: ccjgs **From your computer:** https:// app.flocknote.com/ccjgs. To be eligible for admission to our Children's Faith Formation Program, reception of the Sacraments or to receive testimonial letters for sponsorship, an individual must be a registered, participating member of the parish, attend the sacraments, and support the parish via offerto-ry and involvement.

RCIA – We welcome adults interested in becoming Catholic or completing the sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation) into our RCIA program. Please contact coordinator Michael Dorsett at 301-518-5711 mdorsett@gosps.com or the pastor at pastor@ccjgs.org or 410-257-3810 x1003.

BAPTISM PREPARATION - Parents seeking baptism are encouraged to call the church office at 410-257-3810 or email receptionist@ccjgs.org. We invite all new (and expecting!) parents to a baptism morning retreat to be held 3 times per year. Next retreat: June 17, 2023

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY - We rejoice with members who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Please contact our office at least six months in advance; otherwise, dates cannot be guaranteed. <u>Please do not set a date before making Church arrangements first</u>. Dates for weddings will not be arranged before a preliminary meeting.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION: Please contact the church office if you or a family member is homebound, in the hospital, or in a nursing home and would like to receive these sacraments. The former is especially offered to the seriously ill, someone going into surgery & those with chronical illness.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/PENANCE: Saturdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

REQUEST FOR ALL SACRAMENTAL RECORDS [Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Marriage]: Please allow five business days to process.

FUNERALS: Funerals are arranged by contacting the church office. The church office works collaboratively with funeral homes of your choice and with Catholic Cemeteries for burial in our cemetery.

Mission Statement: "We, the Roman Catholic Parish of Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community, have chosen to serve the Lord by evangelizing through the virtues of Hospitality, Spirituality and Stewardship." ¹⁰



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