

# Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Parish

*Staffed by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales*

April 11, 2021

*We are a diverse Catholic Community that welcomes our visitors, serves all God's Children, and gathers to worship with our Faith Community.*

## Welcome to Holy Redeemer by the Sea Parish Liturgy Schedule

Holy Redeemer by the Sea - Kitty Hawk (HR)  
301 W. Kitty Hawk Road  
Kitty Hawk, NC 27949

### Saturday

Confession 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

(Inside worshipers limited to 225 & Inside Face Coverings Mandated)

Holy Trinity by the Sea Chapel - Nags Head (HT)  
Milepost 16 at the Intersection of 12 & 158

Saturday Mass 7:30 pm (*Bilingual*)

Sunday Mass 11:00 am

(Inside worshipers limited to 60 & Inside Face Coverings Mandated)

All weekend Masses will be audio broadcast outside the Church for the overflow assembly. Communion will be distributed both inside and outside the building. (More information on page 8 of the bulletin.)

### Weekday Masses

Weekday Masses are celebrated at Holy Redeemer by the Sea Kitty Hawk at 9:00 am.

### Confessions

Holy Redeemer by the Sea only

Saturday, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Monday and Tuesday

10:30 AM—11:30 AM, by appointment (call the office at 252-261-4700)

*As stated by Bishop Zarama, Diocese of Raleigh, all of the faithful continue to be dispensed from their Sunday obligation. While this dispensation is applicable to all, the elderly, those sick, those with pre-existing health conditions or other vulnerable people should especially continue to stay at home.*

HOLY REDEEMER BY THE SEA  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



(252) 261-4700

CONTACT INFORMATION

(252)-261-1405 fax

Emergencies/Emergencias:

(252) 261-4700 x 215

Parish Office hours: Monday - Friday

10am - 12pm

Email:

[contact@obxcatholicparish.org](mailto:contact@obxcatholicparish.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/OBXCatholic.Parish/>



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HOLY TRINITY BY THE SEA  
CATHOLIC CHAPEL



[www.obxcatholicparish.org](http://www.obxcatholicparish.org)

## Parish Administration & Support

<b>Pastor/Parroco:</b>	Rev. Dr. William F. Walsh, osfs
<b>Parochial Vicar:</b>	Rev. John A. Hanley, osfs
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<b>Finance Council Chair:</b>	Boyd Tolman
<b>Liturgical Council Chair:</b>	Jane Parker
<b>Pastoral Council Chair:</b>	Kris Felthousen
<b>Stewardship Council Chair:</b>	Frank & Marian Sciacchitano

### Sacraments / Sacramentos

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Sacramento de la Reconciliación:  
Holy Redeemer — Saturday, 4:00 pm or by appointment,  
4:00 los sábados, Santo Redentor. Monday & Tuesday mornings by appt.

### Ministry to the Sick

We are grateful to know if there is a person you feel should be on our bulletin prayer list, or who would benefit by a visit from a Eucharistic Minister or anointing by a priest. Please ask the individual to call our office @ (252) 261-4700 with that request, or, if he or she is unable to call, please ask the next of kin or an immediate family member to contact us. In emergencies, when our parish office is closed, please call @ (252) 261-4700 x 215.

### Ministerio para los Enfermos

Estamos agradecidos de saber si hay una persona que usted siente que debe estar en nuestra lista de Oración de Boletines, o quién se beneficiaría con la visita de un Ministro Eucarístico o la unción de un Sacerdote. Por favor advise al individuo que llame a nuestra oficina @ (252) 261-4700 con esa solicitud, o, si él o ella esta incapaz de llamar, por favor pregunte a los familiares o una familia inmediata para contactarnos. En las emergencias, cuando nuestra Oficina Parroquial esta cerrado, por favor llame a través de @ (252) 261-4700 x 215.

### For All Other Sacraments

Please call the Parish Sacramental Coordinator, Val Cummings, at 252-261-4700 or hlyrdmrwed@aol.com for information regarding all other Sacramental Programs.

### Para todos los demás Sacramentos

Por favor llame al Coordinadora Sacramental Parroquial, Val Cummings, @ 252-261-4700 o hlyrdmrwed@aol.com para obtener información sobre todos los demás Programas Sacramentales.

**With the exception of the Anointing of the Sick and Graveside services, all Sacraments, Liturgies and other para-Liturgies take place inside the Church/Chapel Building.**



**Mailing Address:**  
P.O. Box 510  
Kitty Hawk, NC 27949-0510

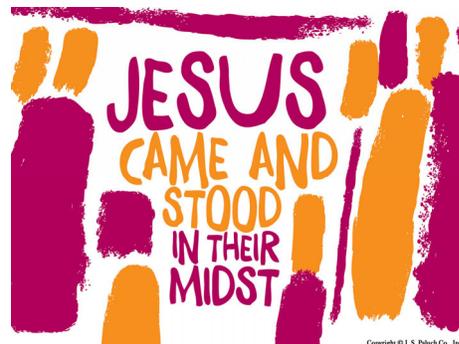
## FEAST OF FAITH

### The Psalms in the Liturgy

The book of Psalms is a prayer book, hymnal, and anthology of verse all rolled into one. It contains one hundred fifty ancient songs—poem-prayers that express the joys and sorrows of the Hebrew people and their longing for God. The psalms are incredibly varied in tone. Some are solemn anthems of praise that once accompanied processions of great multitudes to the temple; others record the lonely cries of a faithful soul who feels abandoned by God.

This ancient prayer book of the Hebrew people is our principal prayer book as well. The psalms are everywhere in the liturgy—in the antiphons and acclamations of the Mass, and most particularly in the responsorial psalm that follows the first reading. The psalm that is sung at Mass usually echoes the themes of the first reading, and sometimes even comments on it. On the Third Sunday of Lent, we listened to the Exodus account of the stubbornness of God's people in the desert, and then the psalm comes to remind us: "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts" (Psalm 95:8). In their wonderful variety, the psalms teach us how to pray.

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter  
(or Sunday of Divine Mercy)  
Tuesday: St. Martin I

**Welcome to our visitors.  
We are glad you could  
join us.**

## Faith Development

### Faith Formation Families

There will be no Faith Formation classes on April 11. We will resume on Sunday, April 18 at 9:45 am.

Just a quick reminder to please follow the procedure for dropping off and picking up students. Thank you.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact me at (703) 304.3683 or [kbengley@gmail.com](mailto:kbengley@gmail.com)

Kerri Engley, Director, Faith Formation

### Search Retreat OCTOBER 29 - 31, 2021

The Search Retreat is an instrument through which the Holy Spirit encounters young people through the works, actions, and lives of the Young Church (their peers). This peer-led retreat experience seeks to foster community, curiosity, discovery and trust between young people and their Catholic faith (BELONG). Fostering that new (or renewed) sense of trust, peer and adult leaders guide youth through prayer, witness, catechesis and sacraments toward a deeper commitment and conversion to Jesus Christ (BELIEVE).

The culmination of the Search retreat is not an end to an experience but rather a beginning of continued conversion and commitment that leads young people into a life of missionary discipleship. Young people are sent forth into their own parish communities to become peer leaders in parish youth ministry, witnessing their own conversion and inviting other young people into the same life changing experience (BEHAVE).

High School youth grades 10 through 12 can attend a Search Retreat weekend. Youth decide to participate in Search for various reasons, some out of curiosity or to experience something different, others to spend time with their friends or to meet other Catholics their own age. Some come to Search with a strong faith life while others question the existence of God. Whatever your reason for attending a Search weekend, we welcome you and invite you into what can be a life changing experience.

**The weekend begins Friday, October 29 at 7:00 PM and concludes on Sunday, October 31 at 2:00 PM.**

Currently, the retreat is held at [The Refuge Retreat Center](#), located at 1380 Lower Field Road, Ayden, NC 28513. For more information, please visit:

**[Search Retreat Diocese of Raleigh](#)**

### SAVE THE DATE

**The 18th annual Ignited By Truth (IBT) Conference will be held on Saturday, April 24, 2021, 10am-5pm ET on the IBT YouTube Channel. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Michael Schmitz, Fr. Chris Alar, Matthew Leonard, and Patricia Sandoval. Register at [IgnitedByTruth.org](http://IgnitedByTruth.org) for FREE access, including weekly pre-conference talks!**

## Mass Intentions

### Holy Redeemer by the Sea Catholic Parish

#### Monday — April 12, 2021

9:00 am Mass for Nancy Lane at HR

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus

#### Tuesday — April 13, 2021

9:00 am Mass for † Lucy & † Joe Crane at HR

10:00 am Red Cross Blood Drive at HR

#### Wednesday — April 14, 2021 (Healing Mass)

9:00 am Mass for † Samuel R. Carloni at HR

10:30 am Parish Office closed (staff meeting)

12:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive at HR

#### Thursday — April 15, 2021

9:00 am Mass for † Walter Zarnack at HR

#### Friday — April 16, 2021

9:00 am Mass for † Todd Arno Abdullah at HR

#### Saturday — April 17, 2021

4:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation at HR

5:00 pm Mass for † Mary Draper at HR

Celebrant: Fr. John Hanley, osfs

7:30 pm Mass for the People of the Parish (Living and Deceased) (Bilingual) at HT

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Brant, SJ

#### Sunday — April 18, 2021

9:00 am Mass for † Frank Zera at HR

Celebrant: Fr. Bill Walsh, osfs

11:00 am Mass for † Catherine Corleto at HT

Celebrant: Fr. John Hanley, osfs

3:00 pm Divine Mercy at HR



*The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of **Pam Puhak** and the Gospel Candle burns this week in memory of **Mary Draper**.*

### Healing Mass

The next Healing Mass, where the Sacrament of the Sick is administered, will be celebrated **Wednesday, April 14** at Holy Redeemer.

### Special Book for Special Intentions

Our Divine Mercy group is always ready to pray for your special intention. Often we have requests for prayer intentions that do not fit within the parameters of our bulletin prayer list. Now those intentions can be recorded in a special journal that will be kept by our Divine Mercy community, and they will hold up these needs in prayer at their weekly meeting. To have your intention included, please call Marcy Martin at 252.261.7946.

### A CHEERFUL GIVER

A cheerful giver does not count the cost of what he gives. His heart is set on pleasing and cheering the one to whom the gift is given. — St. Julian

**Stewardship - A Way of Life**

**Reflecting on God's Word**

Can one “fathom” a mystery? “Fathom” derives from an Old English word meaning “outstretched arms;” eventually it referred to the length from fingertip to fingertip of arms opened wide. As a verb, it means to probe or penetrate in order to understand. Granting the impossibility of ever coming to fathom the Resurrection fully, I like the image of trying to reach out and put my arms around this great mystery—or, better yet, to have the risen Christ put his outstretched arms around me, drawing me into it more fully.

Which brings us to Thomas. He is the original person who tried to fathom the risen Christ, insisting that if his friends in the upper room wanted him to believe what he could only think of as nonsense, he needed to touch the wounds of the risen Lord. Jesus didn't seem to have much of a problem letting him.

We never learn whether Thomas did touch Jesus or not, but every second Sunday of Easter we are told this story about Thomas and the risen Lord. It encourages us to fathom the mystery that is our faith, to learn to penetrate it by confessing Jesus as Lord and God, then allow this belief to flow out into our daily activities, reaching out to embrace others.

Don't you think when Thomas left the upper room that day he knew that the Resurrection was not something to keep to himself? That his whole being was filled with the warmth and light absorbed from being in the presence of the risen Lord? Is it possible that this can happen to us?

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.  
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**Holy Redeemer by the Sea Church  
P.O. Box 510  
Kitty Hawk, NC 27949-0510**

**Thank you.**

**Living God's Word**

Father of the only-begotten Son, send your Spirit upon us that we might know more deeply the truth of your Son's resurrection and allow it to penetrate our lives. Deepen our faith, hope, and love so the world will know us even now as children of the Resurrection. Copyright © 2014, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

**THE ART OF LISTENING**

If you want God to listen to you when you pray, shouldn't you listen to God when God speaks to you?

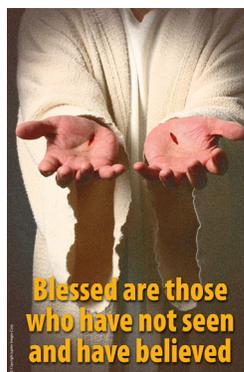
—Anonymous



*Please pray for the sick* especially Carol McCombs, Louann Mast, Fran Montgomery, John & Brenda Hughes, Pete Godbey, George Kowal, Anna Mae Rosendale, Dayna DeNolfi, Tricia Lawrenson, Patricia Maier, Carol Meekins, Russ Whaley, Angela Wamp, Jane Trout, Patti Brown, Bonna Meadows, Gail Higgins, Makenna Day, Liam Bane, Victoria Hively, Vanessa McLane, Kevin McGrath, John Lutolf, Angela Conforti, Nessa Vayette, Megan Vayette, Marilyn Canning, Barbara Creef Preiser, Linda Foster, John Hughes, Dick Staib, Neil Bane, Kaelin Funaiock, Mary Doyle, John Walsh, Nick Parisi, Agnes Lilly, Carol Facci, Lee Baronet, Ken-ny Meekins, Emma Meekins, Dick Sulik, Tony Sawyer, Gloria White, Earlene Sawyer, BreeAnna Fulton, Terri Ann Risoldi, Donna Precord, Nonia Gay Jones, Chris Pope, Denny Doyle, Alicia McDonnell, Gerry Bedrin, Doris Bryant, Vicki & Nick Campanale, Tom DeSocio, Audrey Meekins, Kim Dixon, Sean Rolleri, Debbie Miley, Carol Watters, Stephen Yaciuk, Gloria Malinowski, Betsy Shea, Luis Rodrigues, Michael Norrell, George Nelson, Maureen Anderson. *Names will be kept on the prayer list for 1 month from the time they are requested.*

**Daily Email from Father Bill**

We have created an email distribution list through which Father Bill is sharing his 'Breaking News' - daily email with thoughts culled from the internet dealing with Faith, Spirituality and Worship. It will also be used to convey any urgent information. If you would like to receive his daily email, please call the parish office (252.261.4700) or email Val Cummings at [hlyrdmrwed@aol.com](mailto:hlyrdmrwed@aol.com)



**DOUBT**

The desire to be able to prove the existence of a divinity has troubled humanity since human consciousness first became aware of the divine. To this very day we are fond of saying that any number of things—from sunsets to hot fudge sundaes—are “proof that there is a God.” We get so caught up in the story of “doubting Thomas” that we fail to notice that today's Gospel gives us

John's account of Pentecost, the bestowing of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples following the Resurrection. Thomas, evidently, missed out not only on seeing the Risen Christ, but receiving the Holy Spirit as well. This is not to be taken lightly and, perhaps, makes Thomas' disbelief a bit easier to comprehend. It also makes his professing that Jesus is his Lord and God—the only time the New Testament explicitly refers to Jesus Christ as “God”—more remarkable.

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**ATTENTION****2021 College Bound High School Graduates**

Fr. Klaus Association presents (2) \$1000 scholarships to deserving Catholic students annually. To be eligible a student must be college bound and a practicing Catholic. Please submit a completed Scholarship Award

Application to:

Holy Redeemer by the Sea  
Catholic Parish  
ATTN: Fr. Klaus Assoc.  
301 W. Kitty Hawk Road  
Kitty Hawk, NC 27949

Applications are available at the parish office. Any questions please contact Mike Muller at 252.715.3510 or [mmuller703@verizon.net](mailto:mmuller703@verizon.net) **Completed applications must be received by close of business on April 15, 2021.**

**American Red Cross  
Blood Drive**

**The next American Red Cross Blood Drive  
is Tuesday, April 13  
(10:00 am — 4:00 pm)  
and Wednesday, April 14  
(12:00 pm — 6:00 pm)  
in the parish hall at Holy Redeemer.  
By Appointment Only  
[www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)**

**OBX Room In The Inn (RITI)  
Another Story!**

As we all know, this past year has been devastating to small business owners. This story is an example of how bad things can happen to good people, through no fault of their own.

J.R. is an example of an honest, hard-working individual who is a victim of circumstance. He lost his successful car/truck/motorcycle detailing business in Cape Hatteras as a direct result of COVID-19. J.R. has been detailing cars for the last 20 years and when the pandemic hit, customers began to disappear at an alarming rate. He lost everything so he reached out to RITI for assistance.

When J.R. arrived at RITI, it became apparent that he was a go-getter. While staying with RITI, he already has detailed 3 cars and 2 more are scheduled. We have given him permission to use our parking lot to do his car detailing for now.

We are able to serve J.R. while he works to get back on his feet. His goals are to get a job with a local detailing business on the weekdays and do his own detailing on the weekends, while he saves money and looks for a place of his own.

If you would like to help folks like J.R., please contact Room In The Inn at 252-255-1133 or visit [obxroomintheinn.org](http://obxroomintheinn.org)

**Bible  
Study**



**Little Rock  
Scripture Study  
Parables of the Kingdom-  
Part 1**

Please join us for a six week study of the Parables beginning **April 21 at 9:45 a.m.** in the parish hall at Holy Redeemer. Some of the most memorable teachings of Jesus were delivered as parables and are

found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (the Synoptic Gospels).

Lesson one begins with acquainting participants with the important characteristics of a parable, and how they use images familiar to the audience and draw on common experience that nevertheless challenge the audience to see things in a new way. Subsequent lessons look at the parables found in Mark's Gospel, where the disciples are a privileged audience to Jesus' private explanations of the parables. Lessons four and five explore the ways Matthew uses the same parables but gives them a slightly different twist.

The cost is \$20 for the commentary and study guide. **The deadline for signing up is Monday, April 12, 2021.** We ask all participants to wear masks and we will be social distancing. If you would like to participate, contact Judy Gach at 336.682.7412 or [reckinRalph88@yahoo.com](mailto:reckinRalph88@yahoo.com)

**End of Life Initiatives  
Advance Directive Document**

The Catholic Diocese of Raleigh, in consultation with experts in Catholic bioethics and law, has created an Advance Directive Document. We offer you this document, which is designed for the state of North Carolina, to assist you in ensuring that your care and treatment is consistent with the Catholic faith and your wishes. For more information please visit: <https://dioceseofraleigh.org/human-life-and-dignity/end-life-initiatives>

**Status of 2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal**

We have made some progress in the last few weeks toward meeting our goal, but unfortunately we have only achieved 83% of our \$73,574 goal (\$61,266). Please continue to make every effort to help us meet our financial obligation to the Ministries of the Diocese serving all of Eastern North Carolina. Easter marked the end of our active campaign, but we will continue to publish our progress toward the goal from time to time in the bulletin. Many thanks to those who have so generously donated!

Thanks. Val Cummings, BAA Chairperson

**Please Patronize our Advertisers!**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-9; Jn 3:1-8  
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15  
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21  
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20;  
 Jn 3:31-36  
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15  
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;  
 Jn 6:16-21  
 Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9;  
 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

**Ministries to the Sick**

The compassion and caring of the parishioners of Holy Redeemer by the Sea for the sick and homebound are truly a work of mercy. We are grateful to know if there is a person you feel should be on our bulletin prayer list, or who would benefit from an anointing by a priest. Please ask the individual to call our office (252) 261-4700 with that request, or, if he or she is unable to call, please ask the next of kin or an immediate family member to contact us. The Sacrament of the Sick is available to all in need of healing. **PLEASE DO NOT WAIT** until death is imminent to offer your loved one this grace.



## Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus appeared to his disciples and said,  
 "Peace be with you. As the Father has ...

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Answer: *Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.*

Please contact the parish office, (252) 261-4700, if you would like to receive your 2020 contribution statement. Please allow 3 days lead time. Thank you. Jane Parker

**Second Sunday of Easter  
 (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)  
 April 11, 2021**

Who indeed is the victor over the world  
 but the one who believes  
 that Jesus is the Son of God?  
 — 1 John 5:5

**\*\* Diocese of Raleigh Parishes  
 Online Masses**

Below are some links to online Masses and prayers:

- Holy Redeemer by the Sea - On YouTube, Sunday, 9:00 am.**
  - St. Mary Magdalene, Apex – On YouTube, Sunday, 10:45 a.m.**
  - St. Anthony of Padua, Southern Pines – On Facebook, Monday-Thursday, 12:00 p.m.**
  - St. Michael The Archangel, Cary – On Livestream: Daily Mass, 8:30 a.m. and Sunday Mass, 10:30 a.m.**
  - Duke Catholic Center – On YouTube, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.**
  - St. Ann, Clayton – On YouTube, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**
  - Our Lady of Lourdes, Raleigh - Homilies only**
  - St. Francis of Assisi, Raleigh - On Facebook, Sunday, 9:30 a.m.**
  - Immaculate Conception, Durham - On Facebook, Sunday, 9:30 a.m.**
  - St. Thomas More, Chapel Hill - On Facebook, Daily Mass, Wednesday, 12:15 a.m.**
  - St. Raphael the Archangel, Raleigh - On Facebook, Sunday, 9:30 a.m.**
  - St. Charles, Ahoski - On Facebook, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.**
  - St. Raphael the Archangel, Raleigh, en Facebook, Domingo a las 2:00 p.m.**
  - St. Ann Clayton, en YouTube, Sábado a las 7 p.m.**
  - Immaculate Conception, Durham - En Facebook, Domingo a las 10:30 a.m.**
  - St. Thomas More, Chapel Hill - en Facebook, Misa diaria, Jueves a las 6:00 p.m.; Misa dominical a las 1:30 p.m.**
  - St. Michael the Archangel, Cary - en Livestream, Domingo a las 2:15 p.m.**
  - St. Charles, Ahoski - en Facebook, Sábado a las 7:00 p.m.**
  - Catholic TV Domingo a las 8:00 a.m.; 5:30 p.m. y 10:00 p.m.**
  - EWTV Domingo a las 8:00 a.m. y 4:00 p.m.**
- Por favor continúe orando por las personas que han sido afectadas por el virus: los enfermos, los profesionales de la salud y de la salud pública que se ocupan de los enfermos y trabajan para contener el virus, los afectados económicamente y todos nosotros mientras lidiamos con esta situación.

**\*\* All information was accurate at the time of publication but is subject to change. Please check local listings.**

**Bulletin Notices:** Please email your information to Marian Sciacchitano at [sciacch@yahoo.com](mailto:sciacch@yahoo.com). Deadline for the bulletin is **noon** Wednesday of the previous week.



OBLATES OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES  
Wilmington-Philadelphia Province

## DeSales Spirituality Services

### DeSales Weekly

#### St. Joseph, Strong and Silent



Pope Francis has declared this a Holy Year in honor of St. Joseph. March 19 was the feast day of that great saint.

We often hear about “the strong silent type,” in describing a man of great character. That description fits St. Joseph perfectly. He does not say one word in all of scripture, but his

actions speak for him, and beautifully!

When he learns of Mary’s pregnancy, for instance, his instincts are not to condemn her but to protect her and her reputation by “divorcing her quietly.” And as soon as he learns in a dream of the heavenly origin of her conception, he readily believes and immediately takes her as his wife. Mary’s “fiat!” was spoken aloud to the angel, while his is spoken, not in words, but in the actions of a compassionate and kind, loving and good man.

At those times when we may be tempted to jump to conclusions about the actions of others, presuming not the best but the worse motives, let’s recall the example of Joseph. How differently would the story of the “Holy Family” have unfolded if that good man of few words had presumed the worst in Mary and doubted the words and inspirations of an angel?

As a nation, we have recently witnessed many examples of incivility in the words and actions of some of our fellow citizens. We have too often seen differences of points of view divide, leading quickly to angry words and, at times, even physical violence. There is another, a better way. And St. Joseph shows us that way, not in words but in the quiet, healing and caring actions of someone who has learned from his faith how to be both just and merciful in all his interactions with others -- quick, not to judge, but to give the other the benefit of the doubt.

And think of how relieved and comforted Mary must have felt to find in gentle Joseph so strong and caring an acceptance. She now had a life partner with whom to share the strange and wonderful adventure of parenting Jesus, Immanuel, God-with-us!

V. Rev. Lewis S. Fiorelli, OSFS  
Provincial, Wilmington-Philadelphia Province

Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

## Proclaim the Good News! \*

We are pleased to welcome you into the Church and Chapel buildings to celebrate Mass together. Our weekend Liturgies will follow the offseason schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM @ Holy Redeemer, 7:30 PM @ Holy Trinity (Bilingual) and Sunday 9:00 AM @ Holy Redeemer and 11:00 AM @ Holy Trinity. **The following precautions will be in place:**

- **Attendance limited to 225** inside Holy Redeemer and 60 inside Holy Trinity. Admittance will be on a first come, first served basis. The audio Mass will continue to be broadcast outside of the building for those who do not wish to enter or do not have a mask. **We will continue to livestream the 9:00 AM Mass as long as we have the resources to do so.**
- **Entry will be through** one attended front door only; exit will be through the rear doors.
- **ALL inside attendees MUST** wear a face covering over the nose and mouth. This is for the protection of the entire worshiping community in the event that someone present tests positive at a later date.
- **Seating will be permitted in EVERY OTHER ROW.** Within each row, parties are asked to social distance at least 6 feet apart.
- **In order to minimize the time** we are seated indoors, Mass will be celebrated in an abbreviated form, with limited singing. There will be no hymnals or prayer cards available. Here is a link to a website with the Order of the Mass, should you wish to access it on your phone or print it in whole or in part for your personal use.

<https://www.universalis.com/static/mass/orderofmass.htm>

**Please take any printed materials you bring away with you.**

- There will be no Collection or Offertory Procession. If you wish to make a donation, please place your offertory in the designated receptacles.
- Communion will be distributed as host only after the final blessing both inside and outside of the building. After receiving Communion (in your hand only, please) depart the building through the designated doors.
- The restrooms will be available, with sufficient supplies for handwashing.
- The building will be sanitized using an approved disinfectant, and the restrooms cleaned and sanitized after each Mass. You are encouraged to bring your own hand sanitizer for personal use as needed.
- Weekday Masses have resumed. All Weekday Masses will take place at Holy Redeemer by the Sea in Kitty Hawk at 9:00 AM, Monday through Friday. Since our Bishop has dispensed us from the obligation to attend weekend Mass, some may find attendance at weekday Mass more feasible.

**However, keep this in mind:**

*As stated by Bishop Zarama, Diocese of Raleigh, all of the faithful continue to be dispensed from their Sunday obligation. While this dispensation is applicable to all, the elderly, those sick, those with pre-existing health conditions or other vulnerable people should especially continue to stay at home.*

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**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
**APRIL 11, 2021**  
**3:00 PM**

Jesus told Saint Maria Faustina:

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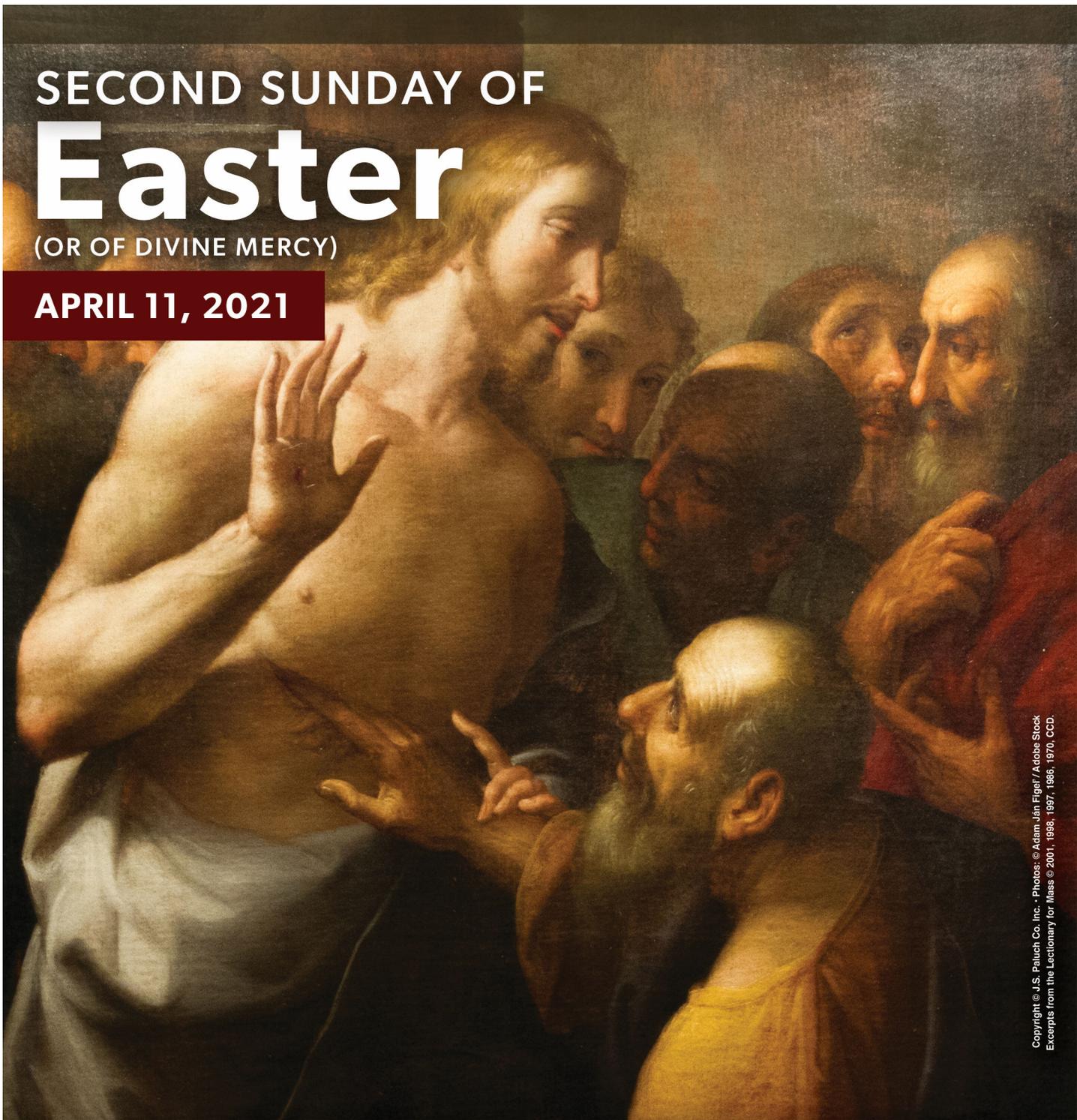
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John 20:19