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April 12, 2026

Second Sunday of Easter Sunday of Divine Mercy

FIRST READING: All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).

PSALM: Be thankful to God who loves us forever (Psalm 118).

SECOND READING: God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).

GOSPEL: The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: 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?

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

5:30PM	Saturday, April 18 th	9:00 AM	Sunday, April 19 th
Lector:	Linda Lopez	Lector:	Denise Lakatos

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (April 6th- April 12th)

MON	4/13	7:00AM. . . + Joankim & Theresa That Nguyen - (Thien & Ngoan Tran)
TUES	4/14	7:00AM. . . + Matilda & Martin Simcic
WED	4/15	7:00AM. . . + (B) Carolina Kuhns - (Husband, Bob)
THURS	4/16	7:00AM. . . + (A) Philip & Kay Scott - (Margaret Dorian)
FRI	4/17	7:00AM. . . .For the Intention of Sr. Marita Cecelia of the Infant Jesus O.C.D.
SAT	4/18	5:30PM. . . .(A) Matilda Holtzman - (Eleanor & Family)
SUN	4/19	9:00AM. . . +.Holy Souls in Purgatory - (Bob Kuhns)



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Stewardship Reflections:

The Christian steward approaches life with an “Easter vision” rooted in gratitude for and confidence in the salvation our Lord has won for us through His death and Resurrection. Today’s readings on this Divine Mercy Sunday teach us how this approach plays out in daily life and reminds us that we can have complete trust in the mercy of God to lead us, step by step, to heaven.

Our first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, describes this beautiful way of life as it was practiced by the first Christians. “They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.” And “they ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people.” This is a snapshot of the very first community of Christian stewards living out their daily life – embracing prayer (the breaking of the bread), formation (the teaching of the apostles), hospitality (the communal life and fellowship through joyful meals together) and mutual service. What an inspiration to us modern-day stewards!

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTIONS

April 4th & 5th, 2026

Weekly	\$ 2,187.00
Monthly	\$ 138.00
Easter	\$ 2,085.00
Building Fund	\$ 55.00
Flowers	\$ 20.00
Holy Land	\$ 410.00
Lent	\$ 250.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 10.00
Poor Box	\$ 104.00

Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne’s Parish! Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!

REGINA CAELI - The Regina Caelis is said beginning Easter Sunday until Pentecost. It is said standing:

- V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.
- R. For He whom you merited to bear Alleluia
- V. Has risen, as He said, Alleluia
- R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia
- V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
- R. For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.

Let us Pray: O God, who through the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has given joy to this world; grant, we beseech You, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the same joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen



Sincere Condolences – The St. Anne Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Carol Olshefski** who was called to her eternal reward. May God grant His eternal rest to **Carol** and peace and consolation to her family.



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Thanks to All for a Beautiful Easter Celebration

–We express our sincere gratitude to everyone who helped make our Easter celebration a beautiful experience! Thank you to those who cleaned, decorated, lectured, and arranged the flowers in the church. Special thanks to our Organist for providing us with the beautiful music.

God Blessings to All!



Catholic Ministries

DRIVE

Sent To Serve

Thank you to the families who have pledged as of March 31 a total of **\$3,430** towards our target amount of **\$6,400**. Saint Peter teaches us, “As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace”

(1 Peter 4:10)

.Please prayerfully consider making a pledge according to your means so we will be able to reach that target. You have until Dec 31st 2026 to pay your pledge in full.

All funds over our target will be returned to St. Anne Parish.

Community News & Events

Holy Rosary and St. Mark Churches are sponsoring a bus trip to the shrines at Emmitsburg, MD on Wednesday, May 13, 2026. On your own at the national Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, Lunch at the Mountain Gate Family Restaurant (Buffet), 90-minute Group Tour of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Price per person - \$80. Checks made out to "St. Mark's Catholic Church." To reserve a seat, call Robyn Murphy at 814-931-5683 or Kathleen Winter 814-591-0248. Limited number of seats available.

CALLING ALL VENDORS

Spring Carft & Vendor Show

St. Mary Byzantine Church

Saturday, April 18th - 10-6PM

Sunday, April 19th - 12- 5PM

Reserve Your Space

Call Fr Timothy 267-751-9492

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