

## **First Reading Acts 4:32-35**

### **A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything they had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in any need.

### **The Word of the Lord**

#### **Thanks be to God**

## **Responsorial Psalm Psalm 117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24**

### **Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.**

Let the sons of Israel say:

'his love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'his love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;

his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live

and recount his deeds.

I was punished; I was punished by the Lord,

but not doomed to die.

The stone which the builders rejected

has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,

a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;

we rejoice and are glad.

## **Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6**

### **A Reading from the first letter of St John**

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only; but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

### **The Word of the Lord**

#### **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

### **Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet they believe.'**

**Alleluia!**

## **Gospel John 20:29**

### **The Lord be with you**

And with your spirit.

### **A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'put your finger here: look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied. 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

### **The Gospel of the Lord.**

#### **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Fratelli Tutti**

### **PANDAEMICS AND OTHER CALAMITIES IN HISTORY**

32. True, a worldwide tragedy like the Covid-19 pandemic momentarily revived the sense that we are a global community, all in the same boat, where one person's problems are the problems of all. Once more we realized that no one is saved alone; we can only be saved together. As I said in those days, "the storm has exposed our vulnerability and uncovered those false and superfluous certainties around which we constructed our daily schedules, our projects, our habits and priorities... Amid this storm, the facade of those stereotypes with which we camouflaged our egos, always worrying about appearances, has fallen away, revealing once more the ineluctable and blessed awareness that we are part of one another, that we are brothers and sisters of one another".

33. The world was relentlessly moving towards an economy that, thanks to technological progress, sought to reduce "human costs"; there were those who would have had us believe that freedom of the market was sufficient to keep everything secure. Yet the brutal and unforeseen blow of this uncontrolled pandemic forced us to recover our concern for human beings, for everyone, rather than for the benefit of a few. Today we can recognise that "we fed ourselves on dreams of splendour and grandeur, and ended up consuming distraction, insularity and solitude. We gorged ourselves on networking, and we lost a taste of fraternity. We looked for quick and safe results, only to find ourselves overwhelmed by impatience and anxiety. Prisoners of a virtual reality, we lost taste and flavour of the truly real". The pain, uncertainty and fear, and the realization of our own limitations, brought on by the pandemic have only made it all the more urgent that we rethink our styles of life, our relationships, the organization of our societies and, above all, the meaning of our existence.

34. If everything is connected, it is hard to imagine that this global disaster is unrelated to our way of approaching reality, our claim to be absolute masters of our own lives and of all that exists. I do not speak of divine retribution, nor would it be sufficient to say that the harm we do to nature is itself the punishment for our offences. The world is itself crying out in rebellion. We are reminded of the well-known verse of the poet Virgil that evokes the "tears of things", the misfortunes of life and history.

## **Pope Francis**

## Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

<u>Saturday</u>	6.00 pm	Henryk Hanson RIP	St. MM
<u>Sunday</u>	9.30 am	Divine Mercy/Marist Way	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	11.30 am	Sue Hall (Bdy)	Bl Sac
<u>Tuesday</u>		NO MASS	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>		NO MASS	St MM
<u>Friday</u>		NO MASS	Bl Sac

### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY	6.00 PM	YOLANDA OVERTON RIP	ST MM
SUNDAY	9.30 AM	WILES FAMILY	ST TER
SUNDAY	11.30 AM	SAYLES FAMILY	BL SAC

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FACE MASKS - ALL THOSE WHO ARE ATTENDING CHURCHES MUST WEAR A FACE COVERING UNLESS THEY ARE EXEMPT FROM DOING SO. THIS IS FOR THE GOOD OF ALL WHO GATHER IN THE CHURCH FOR MASS AS IT IS AN ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACE WHERE THERE ARE PEOPLE FROM DIFFERING HOUSEHOLDS WHO THEY DO NOT NORMALLY MEET.**

**HOSPITAL - In the meantime, Priests will only go into the hospital in response to a request from the hospital switchboard or ward staff. Anyone in the hospital that requires a visit from a Priest should please go through the nurse or switchboard. This will be in an emergency only. There will be no Holy Communion rounds until further notice.**

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### **PLEASE AFTER MASS**

**WE ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES TO MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCE – FROM COMING INTO CHURCH TO LEAVING THE CHURCH**

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## **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

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and stood among them.**

**'Peace be with you' he said.**

**Then he spoke to Thomas,**

**'Put your finger here: look, here are my hands.**

**Give me your hand; put it into my side.**

**Doubt no longer but believe.'**

**Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!'**

**Jesus said to him:**

**'You believe because you can see me.**

**Happy are those who have not seen and yet  
believe...**







