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WELCOME!

Our parish community welcomes you! We are blessed by your active participation in our worship together. Thank you for helping us grow!

“Be faithful in little things.”
-Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, C.Ss.R

STEWARDSHIP: GIFT OF TREASURE

All checks intended for the Capital Campaign must be written payable to “In the Seelos Tradition.”

LAST WEEK’S OFFERING

Tithe: \$540
Central & Eastern Europe \$25

Upcoming 2nd Collections:
April 19th, 26th - Building Fund

If you are able during this time to continue your tithe, please sign up for on-line donations at our website or mail to the rectory at:
31387 Buckingham Blvd, Spanish Fort, Al 36527

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

CONFESSIONS BEING HEARD BY
APPOINTMENT
PLEASE CALL FR. JIM

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday - Bob Jr /Bob Sr /
Mary Hill/ Julius Richards/
Elizabeth DeShazo-Richards

Thursday - Margo Hughes

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Contact: Theresa West at (228) 209 4935 or
theresabertagnolliwest@yahoo.com.

Sunday School will restart Today! Parents, please be looking for your child/children’s lessons via email.

Middle & High School Students - Project YM Live will be providing weekly Youth Night April 19th. Details and the link are being forwarded to the parent’s email.

If you or a loved one is sick, let me know or Theresa West and tell us of your need.

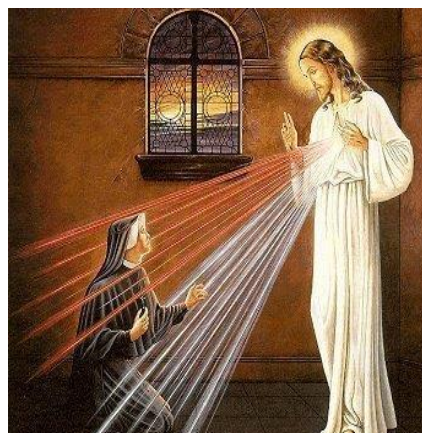
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God bless you and those you love.

DIVINE MERCY



He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

St. John Paul designated this Sunday as Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy image depicts Jesus at the moment he appears to the disciples in the Upper Room, after the Resurrection, when he empowers them to forgive or retain sins. It is the moment the disciples were challenged to “Trust in Him”. While still caught in the uncertainty and in the “upper room” of our isolation caused by the Corona Virus, we are called to “Believe” and to “Trust”. I encourage you to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet today as a family and in union with the whole Church. We have placed the instructions of how to pray this powerful devotion on an ordinary rosary. Keep the faith and trust in Him!

Fr. Jim

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Saint John Paul instituted the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus appeared to St. Faustina giving her the mission of spreading his Divine Mercy. All of these accounts she recorded in her diary; including the vision of the Divine Mercy portrait.

February 22, 1931, St. Faustina wrote (Diary Notes 47-48) “In the evening, when I was in my cell, I saw the Lord Jesus clothes in a white garment. One hand [was] raised in the gesture of blessing; the other was touching the garment at the breast. From beneath the garment, slightly drawn aside at the breast, there were emanating two large rays, one red, the other pale. In silence I kept my gaze fixed on the Lord; my soul was struck with awe, but also with great joy. After a while, Jesus said to me, “Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You. I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and [then] throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory”. **Jesus also told her:** “I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy... That vessel is this image with the signature: ‘Jesus, I trust in You,’” (Diary Note 327).

See insert for how to pray The Chaplet of Devine Mercy on Rosary beads

Did you know? That during the Easter season the church tradition is not to pray the Angelus? Instead Queen of Heaven is prayed.

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

Let us pray: O God, by the Resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, you brought joy to the world. Grant that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joy of eternal life. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

THE SACRED THAT SURROUNDS US – PASCHAL CANDLE



Also known as the Easter Candle. This large candle is adorned with the alpha and omega symbol and a cross. The Paschal Candle is lit during special occasions, such as baptisms and funerals, and throughout the Easter season beginning with the Easter Vigil. It is symbolic of the light of Christ. At Baptism a candle is lit directly from the Paschal Candle and given to the godparents. At funerals the Paschal Candle is placed near the casket, symbolizing that the deceased has been baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light” Isaiah 9:2

AT HOME RESOURCES

- Live Mass with Fr. Jim Sunday's at 9 am. If you have not already signed up, please email Jennifer.evelyn.moore@gmail.com
- Bishop Barron's Live Mass <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass>
- Adorecast – a live Eucharistic Adoration stream from our friends at Catholicify <http://www.adorecast.com>
- Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception live stream Mass, Sunday 11 am central <http://www.nationalshrine.org/mass>
- Saint John Paul II National Shrine live stream daily Mass (11 am central), hour of prayer (3 pm eastern) <http://www.jp2shrine.org>

PRAYER OF ST. ROCCO FOR HEALING AND PROTECTION

During your travels on earth, God worked His miraculous healing through your intercession. Many were cured of the plague from your prayers and the sign of the cross. We implore you Saint Rocco to intercede before the throne of God; Send forth a blessing of protection from Contagious diseases and the Corona Virus. Bless us Heavenly Father with your healing grace. We ask this in the name of Divine Son, Jesus. Amen



DAILY READINGS | APRIL 20-26

MONDAY: ACTS 4:23-31 / 2:1-3, 4-7A, 7B-9 / JN 3:1-8

TUESDAY: ACTS 24:32-37 / 393:1AB, 1CD-2, 5 / JN 3:7B-15

WEDNESDAY: ACTS 5:17-26 / 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / JN 3:16-21

THURSDAY: ACTS 35:27-33 / 34:2, 9, 17-18, 19-20 / JN 3:31-36

FRIDAY: ACTS 5:34-42 / 27:1, 4, 13-14 / JN 6:1-15

SATURDAY: 1 PT 5:5B-14 / 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 / MK 16:15-20

SUNDAY: ACTS 2:14, 22-33 / PS 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 / 1 PT 1:17-21 / LK 24:13-35



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