

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

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APRIL 27, 2025 | 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

REFLECTIONS

It's common for Catholics to hear the question, "Why do I have to go to a priest to have my sins forgiven?" I've never liked that question because not only is it clunky (confession is the ordinary way for the pardoning of serious sins, not lesser ones). But it misses the larger context: the wonderful origins of the sacrament itself. And this context is deeply Jewish.

Ancient Jews associated forgiveness of sins with priests offering sacrifices in the Jerusalem temple. It was a solemn, public, and tangible way to access God's mercy. So when the risen Jesus breathes on the Apostles and says, "**Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained**" (John 20:23), the upshot is remarkable: he is the new temple and his Apostles are the new priests. Jerusalem is no longer the place to find forgiveness from sin. Jesus' body, the Church, is.

So why should we go to the Sacrament of Confession? For the same reason ancient Jews went to the temple in Jerusalem: to experience the intimacy, joy, and life-giving power of God's eternal forgiveness.

— Father John Muir



2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

"Blessed are those who have not seen
and have believed." - Jn 20:29

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THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Monday
5:00 pm
5:30 pm
St. Anthony's—Lakin
Rosary & Prayers
Mass

Tuesday
9:30 am
10:10 am
HPRV
Mass
Communion/Visiting

Wednesday
8:00 am (MST)
St. Raphael-Syracuse
Mass (Syracuse)

Thursday
11:00 am
11:45 am
12:15 pm
St. Anthony's—Lakin
Confession
Rosary & Prayers
Mass

Friday

7:30 am
8:00 am
8:30—10 am
Saturday
3:50 pm
4:00 pm
5:20 pm
6:00 pm

Sunday

8:00 –8:50 am
9:00 am
10:30 am

St. Anthony's

Rosary & Prayers
Mass
Eucharistic Adoration
Lakin
Confessions
Mass (St. Anthony)
Confession
Mass (Christ the King)
Lakin & Syracuse
Confessions
Mass (St. Anthony)
Mass (St. Raphael)

COLLECTION FOR 4-20-2025

Envelopes: \$675.00
Loose: \$560.40
Online Giving: \$655.16
Total: \$1,890.56
Average Weekly Expense: 1,761.17
Income over/under: 129.39



OFFICE HOUR

T - F 8:00 am -6:00 pm

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DEAR PADRE,

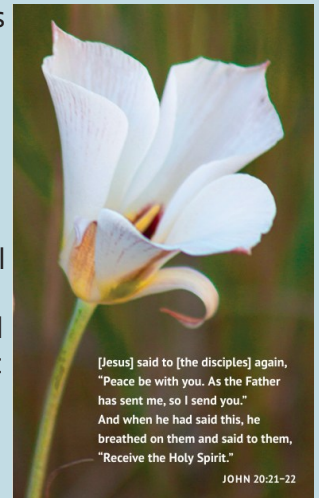
How do we maintain our faith in a world that shames religion and creates doubt in our beliefs? I would respond to your question with one of my own: "When has it ever been different?" In what place has there been universal praise and acceptance of the practices of faith and belief? When has there been a time when there is no doubt? This is a good question for this Sunday, when we hear about St. Thomas, the doubting disciple. Many years ago, unanimity might have been understood as the norm in a tight-knit neighborhood community of people with the same experience and belief. However, in the wide world today that is so connected and disconnected at the same time, sameness and uniformity cannot be assumed. It may cause unease, or even fear, to learn that someone disagrees with you, perhaps even someone you love, but it should no longer be a surprise or considered out of the ordinary. Doubt can help a person grow in faith and belief. Even though doubt is challenging, it is often a necessary experience in order to be strengthened and to persevere. Doubt is not something that should cause us to quiver in fear, but rather to rejoice in hope, in the confidence that what we believe is worth living and has something to teach us.



FROM ANGER TO PEACE

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

At this point in history, we are a nation filled with much anger. Given all that is taking place, one might conclude that it comes from a fear of losing control—fears due to the waves of immigrants seeking asylum, to a changing economy, to political alliances, to artificial intelligence, resulting in our inability to sort truth from untruth. Fears also due to strained relationships with non-Western nations, to urban violence and the abundance of guns, to the conflict between pro-life and pro-choice allegiances, and, for some, to what is perceived as conflicted thinking within the Catholic Church. There is no shortage of what may be fueling our anger. How can faith help us respond in a life-giving way? Saint John writes that "whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith" (1 John 5:4). This is not to say that we can easily make the world respond in ways we want, but rather that the world has no power over the person who places all trust in God's presence among us. It was the risen Lord who once brought peace to the disciples behind doors locked out of fear. Might not our faith help us who have locked ourselves behind doors of mistrust and anger? If only we allow ourselves to trust God. Yet, we should not simply shrug off all cares or involvement in life; on the contrary, with faith and trust, we recognize we are not the only players in shaping the events of the world.



[Jesus] said to [the disciples] again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

JOHN 20:21-22

27 de abril de 2025 - II Domingo de Pascua (Divina Misericordia)

Hoy es Domingo de la Misericordia; celebramos la gran misericordia de Dios al darnos a su Hijo para que nos salvara por medio de su vida, pasión, muerte y resurrección. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en su numeral 1225, nos lo explica de la siguiente manera: *"La sangre y el agua que brotaron del costado traspasado de Jesús crucificado (ver Juan 19:34) son figuras del Bautismo y de la Eucaristía, sacramento de vida nueva (ver 1 Juan 5:6-8): desde entonces, es posible 'nacer del agua y del Espíritu' para entrar en el Reino de Dios (ver Juan 3:5).* Con la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección, se derramó su Misericordia. Por eso, hoy cantemos, llenos de alegría y esperanza, el Salmo 117: ¡La misericordia del Señor es eterna. ¡Aleluya! Señor, para dar un sincero testimonio de tu resurrección, enséñame a ser dócil como Tú lo

fuiste en tu vida terrena, y principalmente en la cruz. Encontrarnos y reconciliarnos es el mensaje que el Evangelio nos trae en este segundo Domingo de Pascua. Nos narra, también, la falta de fe de Tomás, de su incredulidad al recibir la noticia de que el Señor había resucitado. Tuvo que verlo y tocarlo para comprender toda la misericordia de Dios viva en Jesús: *"Señor mío y Dios mío"* (Juan 20:28). Y ahora, nosotros tenemos la dicha de creer sin ver. Y Jesús nos llama dichosos por eso. Pero, a la vez, debemos de madurar en la fe y eso se logra pidiendo al Espíritu Santo que nos ayude a comprender los misterios del Jesús glorioso que serán lo definitivo para todos.



2025 Easter Flowers



In memory of

Don Kirschenmann

Rooney and Darnell Families

Cole, Elliott and Mason Families

Suellen, Elizabeth, David, and Michelle Bergkamp

Wifred and Anna Bergkamp

Charles and Mary Margret Schrufer

Bob and Hertha Vittetaw

Geubelle and Lane Families

Tom Edwards

Joshua Skipton

Alfonso & Belen Sandoval

Jesse & Carol Skipton

Juan G Perez Jr.

Rosie, George, Johnney

Arturo Nebarez

Andrea, Benny

Our sincerest thanks to those who donated to make our church so beautiful this time of the year.

Donor

Art and Linda Kirschenmann

Bill and Janet Rooney

Johnny and Kay Mason

Alvin Bergkamp

Steve and Margorie Lane

Tim and Delores Edwards

Mike and Mary Jane Skipton

Michael, Ashley, Aubrey &

Braxton Skipton

Rich and Mary L. Higgins



We wish to congratulate the children of St. Anthony & Christ the King who celebrated their First Holy Communion today!

Lenin Beltran-Ortega, Zendaya Budd, Easton Magallanes, Matthew Garcia Aviles, Scout Guerrero, Cristal Leyva, Cristina Leyva, Kristopher Martinez-Rodriguez, Aralynn Moreno, Mateo Ortega, Kimberly Pedroza, Jordis Quintana, Kersey Quintana, Isaac Ramirez, Melany Ramirez, Darius Rosales, Mario Sicairos, Raleigh Simon, Evelyn Sperry & Jillian Woodrow.

We are grateful to their parents, our DRE Lisa Gannett, Catechist-Emma Xiong

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PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Peter Tran	355-6405
Rel.Edu. Committee: Karen Burden,	355-6388
DRE: Lisa Gannett	272-6866
Parish C. Chair: Gwen Waechter	272-1030
Finance C. Chair: Tressa Powers	355-6206
Altar S. President: Nanette Rice	355-7676
Grand Knight: Tom Bachman	640-8259
Prayer Line Starters: Allison Bushek	355-1696
& Nanette Rice	355-7676
Vocation Team: Nanette & Sandra	355-7676
Youth Director: Hannah Schauf	316-765-4131

Sprinkling Rite, Explained

The rite of sprinkling, also called the Asperges rite, describes the act of sprinkling the congregation with holy water, an action which recalls the new life we received in the waters of our baptism.

If this rite is performed during Mass, it takes the place of the penitential act.

The sprinkling rite usually takes place on Sundays during the Easter season but is permitted on any Sunday. When it is completed, the congregation sings the Gloria.

The name “asperges” comes from the first line of Psalm 51, a penitential psalm that begins with the words “Have mercy on me.” In the Extraordinary Form of the Mass, the Asperges rite is done before each principal Mass, except on Palm Sunday.

The tool used by the priest to sprinkle the congregation is called the aspergillum, and the bucket containing the water is called the aspensorium.



MASS INTENTIONS



Mon, Apr 28	5:30 pm	† Elizabeth Hughes Bergkamp
Tue, Apr 29	No Mass	Pastor's Intention
Wed, Apr 30	No Mass	St. Raphael's
Thurs, May 1	No Mass	Pastor's Intention
Fri, May 2	No Mass	Pastor's Intention
Sat, May 3	4:00 pm	Sp. Int. Powers Family
Sun, May 4	9:00 am	+ Phyllis Sullivan

MINISTERS FOR THIS/NEXT WEEK

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

4/26/2025 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.

Servers: Gus, Jonathan Gannett, Brisa Ibarra

Reader: Cecilia Harris

Extra Ordinary of HC: Bill & Janet Rooney

4/27/2025—Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Kingston Guerrero, Jace & Haley Berning

Reader: Kyle Berning

Extra Ordinary of HC: Alvin Bergkamp, Bob Woodrow

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

5/3/2025 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.

Servers: Ryann & Brecken Bamberger, Rowen Simon

Reader: Debbie Frederick

Extra Ordinary of HC: Tino Rosales Jr., Karen Burden

5/4/2025—Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Kirbe & Kipton Koons, Joleigh Lohman-Fuller

Reader: Bob Woodrow

Extra Ordinary of HC: Mike & Cindy Broeckelman

Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard every Saturday at 3:00 pm and every Sunday at 8:00. Parents who have children to be baptized must be registered. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

Baptism:

Marriage:

Please contact parish priest at least four months before the wedding. Celebrated anytime calling a priest.

Anointing the sick:

**Eternal rest grant unto Pope, Francis, O Lord.
- And let perpetual light shine upon him.**