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Office Hours: Monday & Sunday - Closed

Tuesday to Saturday - 10:00am to 3:00pm (Office is closed for Lunch from 12:30pm to 1:30pm)

A collaborative ministry of the Carmelite Fathers and Lay Parishioners



Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11/12, 2026

Pastor:

Fr. Jerald D'Souza, OCD

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Fr. Alexander Braganza, OCD

Permanent Deacons:

Deacon Norman Dumais

Deacon Dale Laing

Office Assistant:

Rachael Ramaswamy

Administrative Assistant:

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Bookkeeper:

Cindy Kreutzer

Hospitality:

Everyone in the Parish!

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday to Saturday: 9:00am

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am,

12:30pm & 5:00pm

Igbo Mass:

First Sunday of the Month: 2:00pm

Adoration:

First Friday of the month:

9:30am to Noon

Reconciliation:

Tue., Wed., Thu., & Fri.:

After the morning Mass

Saturday: 2:30pm to 3:30pm

Baptisms:

An initial appointment with one of the Priests is required before attending a session.

Confirmation:

On-line registration is now closed.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul:

(403) 975-4318 (Food Hampers)

TODAY, JESUS SHOWS himself to the disciples for the first time since his resurrection. When Thomas, who was not there, is told that they have seen the Lord, he doubts. However, eight days later Jesus reappears to the disciples and singles Thomas out, inviting him to believe. Thomas responds in awe: "My Lord and my God!" Scripture teaches that faith is our response to God. Jesus personally invites each of us to believe, as he did with Thomas. Faith is saying yes!

At the Ascension, the disciples were commissioned to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations, even though they had abandoned and denied Jesus only weeks before. In today's reading from Acts, we see them zealously proclaim the gospel and suffer willingly for their faith in Jesus. They show us that faith is followed by surrendering our lives to Jesus. This is the "obedience of faith," where we commit our whole self freely to God, putting Jesus at the center of our lives.

In today's second reading, Peter writes about the inexpressible peace and joy that come from faith in Jesus and in giving our lives to him. Jesus wants us to live in this freedom as well. On this last day of the Easter Octave, he calls out to us too by name. Do not doubt, but believe!

(Living with Christ, April 2026) - Connor Brownrigg

Readings:

1st Reading: Acts 2.42-47

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9

Gospel: John 20.19-31

We might find it difficult to believe that faith was no easier for the first disciples than it is for us today over 2,000 years later. John describes a community united not by faith, but by fear. Ever since Jesus first said "Peace be with you," we have continued to need those reassuring words to combat our own fears. This phrase is still part of our liturgy for this reason. Thomas reminds us that doubt is not the enemy of faith, but fear is. He also illustrates our human need for touch, for physical encounter — a need met profoundly in the celebration of our sacraments.

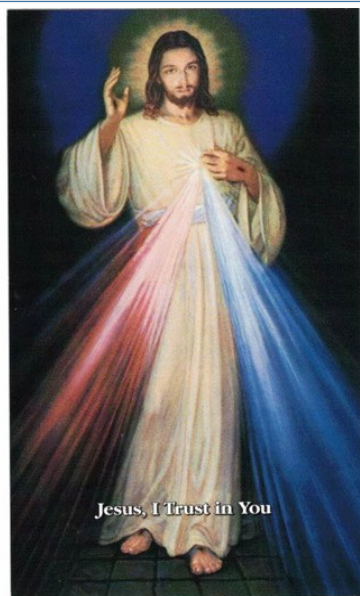
- What part of this story speaks to you this year? How does this reflect your own faith journey in this phase of your life?
- What kind of "hard evidence" have you ever needed to keep on believing?
- This Sunday was designated as Divine Mercy Sunday by Saint John Paul II, who along with Pope John XXIII was canonized in April 2014. Divine Mercy is also a devotion that was shared with the world by Saint Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), a young Polish nun. The Divine Mercy message is one of trusting in Jesus and in the unbounding mercy of God. What does this message of mercy mean in our lives, our parishes and the world?
- Thomas has been known as the doubter, but he acclaims Jesus in the most exalted words. Do you ever use Thomas' words: My Lord and My God?

Weekly Mass Intentions: April 13 to April 19

Apr. 13	Mon	9:00am	Dennis Velasco (INT) Mukundan Gounder (INT) Vaclav Linek (RIP)
Apr. 14	Tue	9:00am	Reynaldo Mortel (INT) Jim Jawrosky (RIP)
Apr. 15	Wed	9:00am	Gill Aum Jr. (RIP) Isagani Mateo (RIP)
Apr. 16	Thu	9:00am	Alberto Dacillo (INT) Alice Boucher (RIP)
Apr. 17	Fri	9:00am	Edita Posas (INT) Michael Gounder (INT) Bill DeLay (RIP)
Apr. 18	Sat	9:00am 4:00pm	Susanne Nunn (INT) Malani Peiris (RIP) Danny Serrano (INT) Mujib Baginda (RIP)
Apr. 19	Sun	8:30am 10:30am 12:30pm 5:00pm	Fernandes family (INT) Joseph & Anna Tran (RIP) Betty Beyko (INT) Phyllis & Stanley Fernandes (RIP) Frank Palmer (RIP) Soledad & Jose Yu (RIP) St. Thomas More Parishioners (INT)

TOGETHER IN ACTION

The TIA 2026 is \$49,139.00
Collection up-to-date is \$16,403.75
Surplus funds will be used for new OCIA gowns.



JESUS PROMISES GREAT GRACES THROUGH THIS IMAGE & THESE PRAYERS:

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! (3x)

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

On rosary beads, begin:

Our Father; Hail Mary, the Creed.

On the Our Father beads, pray:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the Hail Mary beads, pray:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

In conclusion, pray three times:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
(Offer these prayers at 3:00 p.m., if possible.)

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Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12, 2026

**Please join us in this Holy Hour Celebration
Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Divine Mercy praises;
Homily; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament;
Adoration and Benediction; Reconciliation
And at 3pm we will sing the Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Easter is a season of profound transformation, a time when the old gives way to the new and the broken is made whole. It is a reminder that God's power is made perfect in weakness, and that his grace is sufficient for all our needs.
- St. Faustina

**Saint of the Week - April 13
Saint Martin I**

A seventh-century pope, Martin was born in Todi, Italy. With many contacts between the Roman Church and the Eastern Empire in his era, Martin was appointed as the papal legate in Constantinople before succeeding Theodore I as pope in 649.

At the Lateran council, Martin opposed the monothelite heresy, which held that Christ had only one will, the divine will, and not a human will as well. Since Emperor Constans II favored the heresy, Martin was exiled to Constantinople, where he was stripped of his honors and condemned to death. He later died in misery and hunger in the Crimea, the last pope to be martyred.

(Living with Christ, April 2026)

Sacrament of Confirmation Program 2026

2nd Gathering: Sat., Apr. 18, 2026 from 10am - noon



**St Vincent de Paul
(Serving families within
our Parish boundary)**

Hampers requested and served:

Month	Nbr of hampers	Adults served	Children served
Feb	49	96	83
Mar	58	118	65

We are currently in need of canned tomatoes, pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned fruit and canned meat. Any canned or boxed food is most welcome. Place food items in the food bin in the foyer.

If you wish to make a tax-deductible donation there are envelopes above the food bin located in the foyer. The secured box for donations is located above the food bin. Thank-you for your past food and financial donations ☐

Accepting new members: 12:30PM choir

We are pleased to announce that we are accepting new members who are gifted with music skills (singing or playing any instruments) for the 12:30pm choir and are dedicated and committed to attend practice for 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month, Sunday services and some special occasion for Christmas, Lent & Easter celebrations.

Pilgrimage to Austria, Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia & Hungary under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Jerry D'Souza, OCD has only 8 spots remaining.

For more information, please contact by:

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