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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:
— FROM DOUBT TO FAITH —
 (Based on Jn 20:24–31)

"My Lord and My God!"
 (JN 20:28)

Jesus Meets Us in Our Doubts

He invites us:
"Put your finger here... Do not be unbelieving, but believe."

Trust in His Mercy

Pray for Peace in Our World

Lord, bring healing to our troubled world.

FROM DOUBT TO FAITH, FROM FEAR TO TRUST

Experience the Mercy of God!

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

- ◆ 7:30 AM MALAYALAM QURBANA (SOLEMN)
- ◆ 9:30 AM ENGLISH QURBANA
- ◆ 11:30 AM MALAYALAM QURBANA

Readings

- Sunday, April 12, 2026
 Second Sunday of Resurrection
- Lev 26:1-13 I am the Lord, your God
 - Is 44:1-8 There is no God besides me
 - 1 Jn 1:1-4 Witnesses to the Word
 - Jn 20:24-31 Proclamation of the faith by Thomas, the Apostle

VICAR'S MESSAGE

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: FROM DOUBT TO FAITH

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On this Second Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates **Divine Mercy Sunday**, a feast that reveals the infinite love and forgiveness of God. The Gospel (Jn 20:24–31) presents the moving encounter between the risen Jesus and Thomas, an event that beautifully expresses the heart of Divine Mercy.

Thomas, who was absent when Jesus first appeared, struggled to believe the testimony of the other apostles. He said, *“Unless I see the mark of the nails... I will not believe”* (Jn 20:25). Eight days later, Jesus comes again and meets Thomas in his doubt. With patience and compassion, He invites him: *“Put your finger here... Do not be unbelieving, but believe”* (Jn 20:27). Thomas responds with a profound act of faith: *“My Lord and my God!”* (Jn 20:28).

In this encounter, we see the essence of Divine Mercy: Jesus does not reject the doubting disciple but draws him into deeper faith through love and understanding.

THE DIVINE MERCY

The message of Divine Mercy was powerfully renewed in the 20th century through St. Faustina Kowalska, a humble Polish nun. In her visions, Jesus revealed His merciful heart and asked that this message be proclaimed to the whole world.

Jesus told her: *“Humanity will not find peace until it turns with trust to My mercy.”* He requested the devotion of the **Divine Mercy Chaplet**, the veneration of the **Divine Mercy image** with the words *“Jesus, I trust in You,”* and the celebration of a special feast on the Sunday after Easter.

This request was later fulfilled by St. John Paul II, who had a deep devotion to Divine Mercy. On April 30, 2000, during the canonization of St. Faustina, he officially established this Sunday as **Divine Mercy Sunday** for the universal Church. Through this, the Church highlights that mercy is at the very heart of the Gospel.

MESSAGE FOR US TODAY

1. Jesus Meets Us in Our Doubts

Like Thomas, we often struggle with questions, fears, and uncertainties. Jesus does not condemn us. Instead, He comes to us with patience and invites us to believe.

2. The Wounds of Christ Are Sources of Mercy

Jesus shows His wounds to Thomas. These wounds are signs of sacrificial love. From His pierced side flows mercy for all humanity. Our sufferings, united with Christ, can become a source of grace.

VICAR'S MESSAGE

3. Trust Is the Heart of Divine Mercy

The central message given to St. Faustina is trust: “*Jesus, I trust in You.*” This trust must shape our daily life, especially in times of uncertainty and suffering.

4. Blessed Are Those Who Believe Without Seeing

Jesus tells Thomas, “*Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe*” (Jn 20:29). This blessing is meant for us. Faith is a gift that calls for perseverance.

5. Receive and Share Mercy

This feast invites us to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation and experience God’s forgiveness. At the same time, we are called to extend mercy to others through forgiveness, compassion, and love.

6. Pray for Mercy in a World Wounded by War

In our present world, marked by conflicts and war, the message of Divine Mercy becomes especially urgent. Humanity continues to suffer from violence, division, and injustice. On this feast, we are called to pray earnestly for peace—peace in nations, peace in families, and peace in hearts. The mercy of God alone can heal the wounds of war and restore harmony among people. As Jesus greeted His disciples with “*Peace be with you,*” we too must become instruments of that peace in our world.

CONCLUSION

Divine Mercy Sunday calls us to move from doubt to faith, from fear to trust, and from sin to forgiveness. Like Thomas, let us encounter the risen Lord personally and proclaim with conviction: “*My Lord and my God!*” And like St. Faustina, let us become witnesses of God’s mercy, bringing hope, reconciliation, and peace to a troubled world.

With prayers and love,

Fr. Abraham Mutholath





UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Homily on Passover by Fr. Abraham Mutholath](#)
- [Homily on Good Friday by Fr. Abraham Mutholath](#)
- [Homily on Holy Saturday by Fr. Abraham Mutholath](#)
- [Homily on Easter by Fr. Abraham Mutholath](#)
- **Syro-Malankara Qurbana will be held this Saturday at 11:00 A.M.**
- **This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday and Feast of St. Thomas (Puthu Njayar). Sponsors can sign up at reception desk.**
- **Blessing of birthdays and wedding anniversaries of April will be held after each Qurbana this Sunday.**
- **Catechism / Parish Fest will be on April 19th Sunday.**
- **Bible quiz organized by Cherupushpa Mission League will be on Sunday, April 12th. Teams are selected from grades 5 to 8**
- **Some more seats for singles and families are available for Cruise to Mexico from June 4 to 8. Please contact the travel agent Mr. Michael ASAP if you would like to join.**
- **Pre-marriage course in Houston from May 15 to 17. Registration started. For registration and details, please contact Tonny Pullappally at 630-205-5078 or e-mail: tonnyjohn@hotmail.com**
- **Holy Childhood has been organizing a charity good deed project. Thanks to the parents who support them. The fund raised will be given to support the poor children in India. The total amount collected along with recognition of children donated will be done April 12.**
- **Knanaya region is organizing nadavili and marthoman song competition. Students from grades 4-10 can participate. Those who are interested in this, please contact Sheeba Thannichuvattil or Kesiya poovapadath**



WEDDING BANNS

- **Athul Joe Johnson, son of Johnson and Mercy Kuttikkattumkara from this parish with Sherin Maria Sabu, daughter of Sabu and Shali Kaniamparambil also from this parish to be held on May 30, 2026. (Third Bann)**
- **Vimal, son of George and Lizy Thottapurathu from St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Parish, Chicago with Anita, daughter of Lukose and Salimol Neicheril from this parish to be held on September 12, 2026. (Third Bann)**



UPCOMING EVENTS



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KNANAYA CATHOLIC REGION

**PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE IN
HOUSTON**

Preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony



The **Knanaya Catholic Region** is organizing a **Pre-Marriage Course** for engaged couples preparing for the *Sacrament of Marriage* in the Catholic Church.

Helping you prepare spiritually, emotionally & practically for Christian married life.

Engaged couples and unmarried youth preparing for marriage are encouraged to attend.



COURSE DATES

Friday, May 15, 2026 - 4:00 PM

Sunday, May 17, 2026 - 1:00 PM



VENUE

St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Church,
6400 W. Fuqua Dr.
Missouri City, TX 77489

PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- ◆ Sacrament of Matrimony
- ◆ Christian Family Life & Communication
- ◆ Spiritual Preparation for Marriage
- ◆ Sessions with Priests & Experienced Couples

REGISTRATION & DETAILS:

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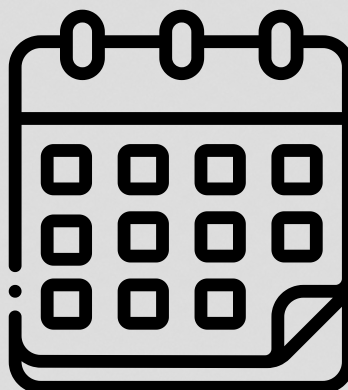
APR 10 FRI: FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

APR 24 FRI: FEAST OF ST. GEORGE

APR 25 SAT: FEAST OF ST. MARK, THE EVANGELIST

APR 26 SUN: WORLD PRAYER DAY FOR VOCATIONS

APR 29 WED: FEAST OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENNA



KOODARAYOGAM ASSIGNMENTS
for Cleaning, Reading, Family Blessing etc

January - Sacred Heart

February - St. Pius X

March - St. Jude

April - St. Thomas

May- St. Ann & St. Christopher

June - St. Michael

July - St. Xavier

August - St. Theresa

September - Holy Family

October - St. Alphonsa & St. George

November - St. Stephen

December - St. Antony



CATECHISM CORNER

UPDATES

PARISH & CCD FEST ON SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST MARTIN I
APRIL 13

PATRONAGE:
THOSE WHO SUFFER
FROM PERSECUTION,
EXILE OR
IMPRISONMENT



BIBLE PASSAGE

- **LEVITICUS 26:1-13**
- **ISAIAH 44:1-8**
- **1 JOHN 1:1-4**
- **JOHN 20:24-31**

VERSE OF THE WEEK

JOHN 7:37
ON THE LAST AND GREATEST DAY OF THE FESTIVAL, JESUS STOOD AND SAID IN A LOUD VOICE, "LET ANYONE WHO IS THIRSTY COME TO ME AND DRINK."

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

QURBANA SCHEDULE

MON - FRI: 9:00 AM (MAL)
7:00 PM (MAL)

SATURDAY: 9:30 AM (MAL)

SUNDAY : 7:30 AM (MAL - SOLEMN)
9:30 AM (ENG)
11:30 AM (MAL)

CATECHISM

SUNDAY: 10:30 AM

CONFESSION

MON - FRI: 6:00 PM -6:45 PM
(ALSO ANYTIME UPON REQUEST)

NOVENA (AFTER QURBANA)

TUESDAY: ST. ANTONY

THURSDAY: ST. JUDE

FIRST FRIDAY: SACRED HEART

SATURDAY: B.V. MARY

ADORATION

MON - FRI: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY: 8:30 AM- 9:30 AM

FIRST FRIDAY: 8 PM TO 9 PM (MAL)

THRID FRIDAY: 8 PM TO 9 PM (ENG)

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