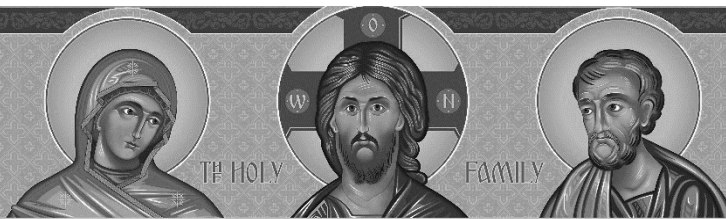


*Holy
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*Catholic
Parish*

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY) – YEAR A – 16th APRIL 2023

FIRST READING : Acts 2:42-47;

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone. The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed. They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 117

R: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His love is e-ver-las-ting.

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." R:

I was thrust, thrust down and falling, but the Lord was my helper. The Lord is my strength and my song, He was my Saviour, There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the just. R:

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord, we rejoice and are glad. R:



SECOND READING : 1 Peter 1:3-9;

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

GOSPEL : John 20:19-31;

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.

Our Lord to St Faustina :

"All grace flows from mercy, and the last hour abounds with mercy for us. Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person's sins were as dark as night, God's mercy is stronger than our misery. One thing alone is necessary; that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God's merciful grace, and then God will do the rest."

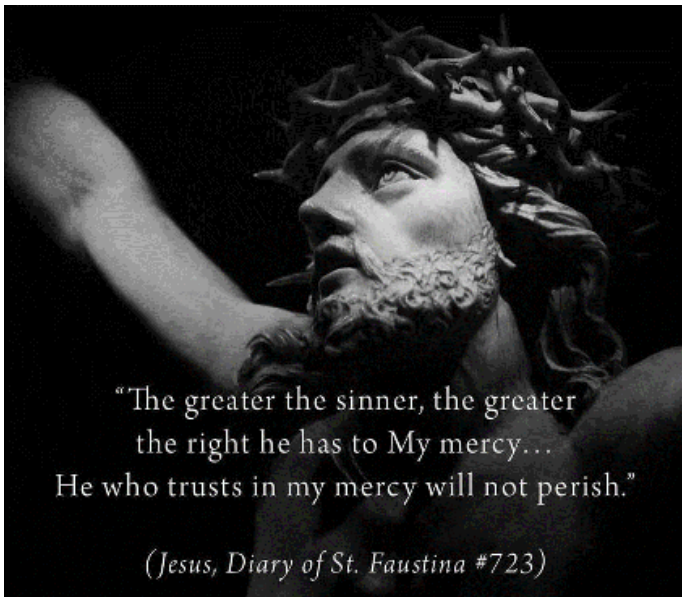


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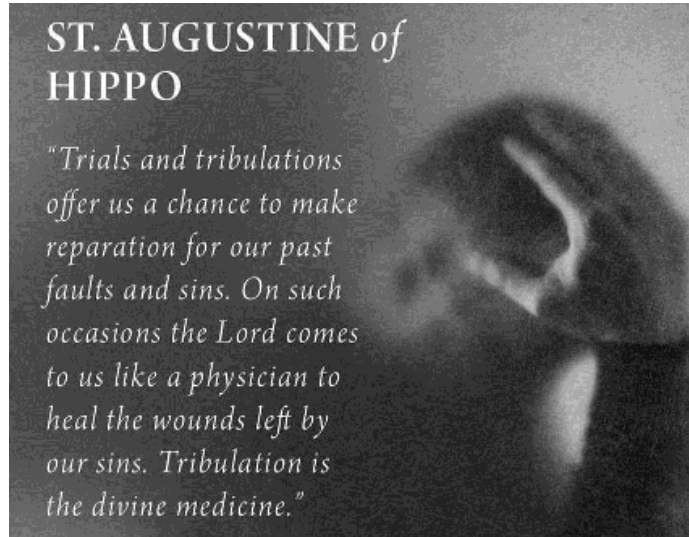


"The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy... He who trusts in my mercy will not perish."

(Jesus, Diary of St. Faustina #723)

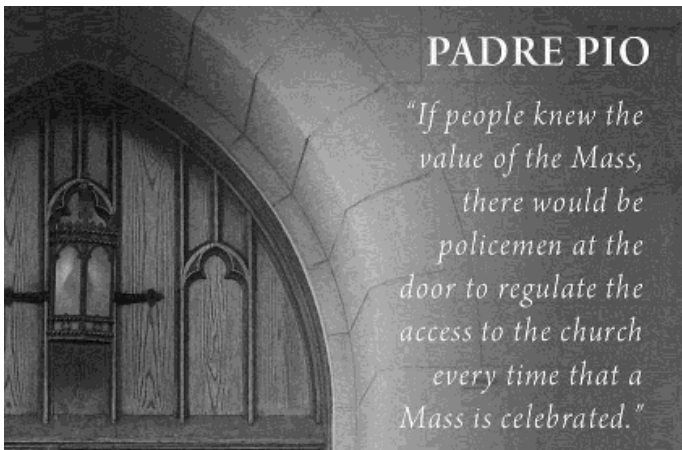
**You must accept your CROSS;
if you bear it courageously,
it will carry you to Heaven**

St. John Mary Vianney



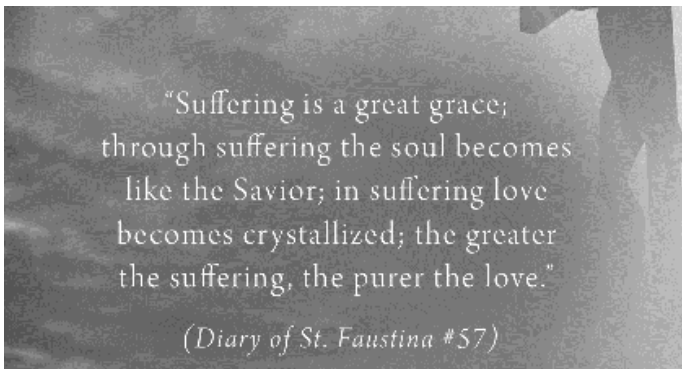
ST. AUGUSTINE of HIPPO

"Trials and tribulations offer us a chance to make reparation for our past faults and sins. On such occasions the Lord comes to us like a physician to heal the wounds left by our sins. Tribulation is the divine medicine."



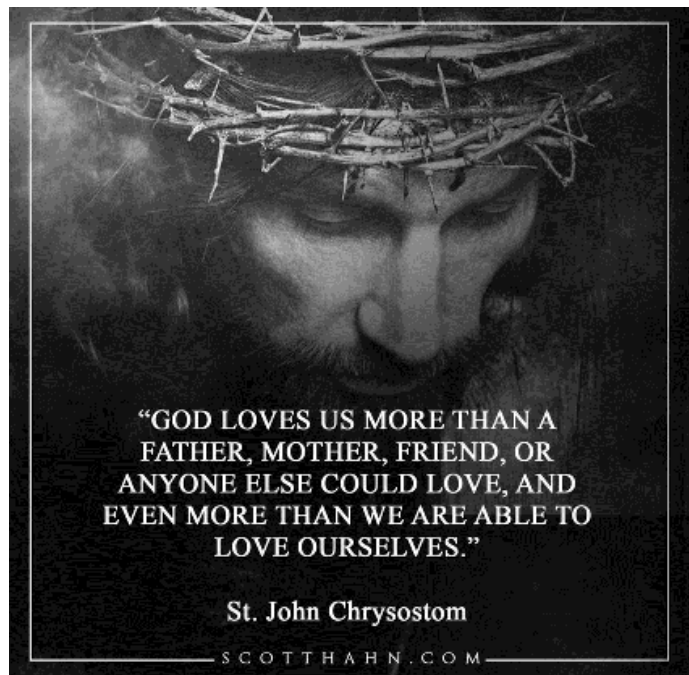
PADRE PIO

"If people knew the value of the Mass, there would be policemen at the door to regulate the access to the church every time that a Mass is celebrated."



"Suffering is a great grace; through suffering the soul becomes like the Savior; in suffering love becomes crystallized; the greater the suffering, the purer the love."

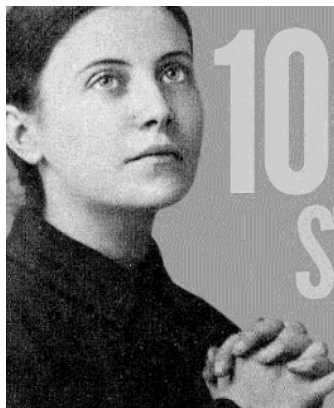
(Diary of St. Faustina #57)



"GOD LOVES US MORE THAN A FATHER, MOTHER, FRIEND, OR ANYONE ELSE COULD LOVE, AND EVEN MORE THAN WE ARE ABLE TO LOVE OURSELVES."

St. John Chrysostom

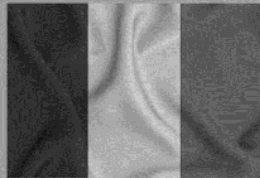
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10 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT ST. GEMMA GALGANI

1. BORN MARCH 12, 1878

2. LOST BOTH PARENTS TO ILLNESS IN HER LATE TEENS.



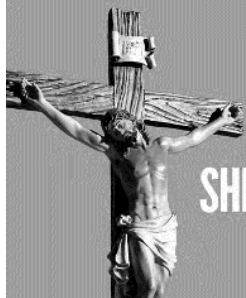
3. HER FAITH WAS OFTEN MISUNDERSTOOD AND RIDICULED BY OTHERS.

4. WANTED TO BECOME A NUN WITH THE PASSIONISTS BUT COULDN'T BECAUSE OF POOR HEALTH.



5. SAID TO HAVE BEEN CURED BY THEN VENERABLE GABRIEL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS, AND ST. MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE!

6. REPORTED TO HAVE THE GIFT OF LEVITATION & HAD VISIONS OF HER GUARDIAN ANGEL & BLESSED MOTHER MARY.



7. RECIPIENT OF THE WOUNDS OF CHRIST. SHE RECEIVED THE STIGMATA ON JUNE 8, 1899.

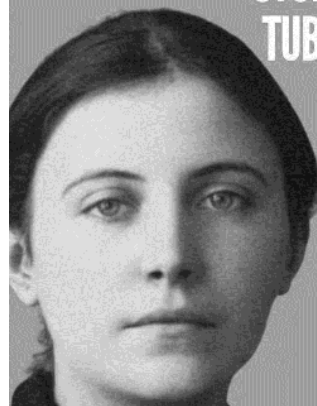
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8. KNOWN AS THE SAINT OF THE PASSION OF JESUS & FOR GREAT DEVOTION TO THE HOLY EUCHARIST.

9. DIED ON HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 1903



10. PATRON SAINT OF STUDENTS, PHARMACISTS, TUBERCULOSIS, MIGRAINE SUFFERERS, YOUNG PEOPLE, & MORE



SAINT GEMMA, PRAY FOR US

Always remain close to the *Catholic Church*, because she alone can give you *true peace*, since she alone possesses *Jesus* in the Blessed Sacrament, the true *Prince of Peace*.

- ST. PADRE PIO -



PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Thine be the glory, risen,
conquering Son; endless is the victory,
thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright
raiment rolled the stone away, kept the
folded grave clothes where thy body lay.
*Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast
won.*

Lo! Jesus meets us,
risen from the tomb;

Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and
gloom; let the Church with gladness,
hymns of triumph sing; for her Lord now
liveth, death hath lost its sting.
*Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast
won.*

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of
life; life is naught without thee; aid us in
our strife; make us more than conquerors,
through thy deathless love: bring us safe
through Jordan to thy home above.
*Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast
won.*

OFFERTORY HYMN:**CHORUS:**

*By Your kingly power O risen Lord, all that
Adam lost is now restored,
in Your resurrection be adored.*

Sing the joyful Easter cry,
sound it to the souls in prison,
shout our triumph to the sky,
Sing Christ risen, Sing Christ risen.

Sing the joyful Easter cry,
let all times and peoples listen,
death has no more victory.
Sing Christ risen, Sing Christ risen.

Death has lost and life has won,
every newborn child we christen,
now becomes the Father's Son.
Sing Christ risen, Sing Christ risen.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Though You are God,
with Father and the Spirit,
You did not cling to Your equality,
Emptied Yourself, became for us a
slave, and humbler yet,
You died upon a tree,
You give Your flesh that we be truly fed,
Your Risen Self, in form of lowly bread.

To satisfy our hunger for Your love,
You come to us as flesh and blood
outpoured, and then to quench
your thirsting for our love,
You come again, as poorest of the poor,
that what we do to these
the least of brethren, we do to You, our
Saviour and our Lord.

Emmanuel, You're longing
to be with us, You bid us share Your
one true sacrifice, offer ourselves, with
You the Holy Lamb, washed by Your
Blood,

you call us into life, so fed by You,
made holy and made one.
We, now Your Body, for the world,
become

Bring all ye dear bought nations, bring,
your richest praises to your King.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
That spotless Lamb who more than due,
paid for His and those sheep you,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

That guiltless Son who bought your peace,
and made his Father's anger cease.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Then life and death together fought, each
to a strange extreme were brought,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

I saw the tomb of my dear Lord, I saw
Himself and Him adored. Alleluia! Alleluia!
I saw the shroud and saw the sheet, that
bound His head and wrapt His feet.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

I heard the angels witness bear, "Jesus is
risen, He's not here. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Go tell His followers they shall see, your
Hope and theirs in Galilee."
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

We, Lord, with faithful heart and voice,
on this Thy rising day rejoice.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O Thou whose pow'r o'er came the grave,
by grace and love us sinners save,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

This joyful Eastertide,
away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified,
hath sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ that once was slain
n'er burst His three day prison
our faith had been in vain,
but now is Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen, ARISEN!

My flesh in hope shall rest,
and for a season slumber,
till trump' from east to west,
shall raise the dead in number.
Had Christ that once was slain
n'er burst His three day prison
our faith had been in vain,
but now is Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen, ARISEN!

The temple now restored,
and from its side a river.
The Crucified is Lord,
salvation to deliver.
our faith had been in vain,
but now is Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen, ARISEN!

For death and life have fought,
with life though slain, the winner
My life by Blood He bought,
while I was yet a sinner.
Had Christ that once was slain
n'er burst His three day prison
our faith had been in vain,
but now is Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen, ARISEN

NEXT SUNDAY:**23rd April 2023****Third Sunday of Easter (Yr A)***Acts 2:14,22-33; 1 Pet 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35;***LITURGY ROSTER****Readers:** R. Lopez, G. Lao**Prayers of the Faithful:** J. Brodie**Offertory:** La'akulu Family**Special Ministers:** S. Molloy**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK****17 April:** John Brown, Vice Mihotich**18 April:** Siu Shiwa Subermani**19 April:** Jack Bugler**20 April:** Davina Paterson**21 April:** Mary Donohue, Wayne Wolsey**22 April:** Thomas Francis, Ron Richardson,
Bure Bailey**PARISH FINANCES**

Parish	\$2,652.13
Priests	\$1,326.07
Total AP's and Cash	\$3,978.20
Holy Places Collection:	\$1,350.90

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NOTICES

Pledge Envelopes and Receipts – There
are still envelopes waiting to be collected.
The receipts will be sent by email and
posted next Sunday 23rd April. If you
have changed your email address, please
let Ellen know in the Office on 8346677
or hfparish@xtra.co.nz

Catechism Classes: will start again on
Sunday 30th April after the 9:30am Mass.

Sacramental Programme:

Confirmation Classes start 13th May at
4pm in the Bugler Centre. Please register
with the Parish Office -
hfparish@xtra.co.nz or 098346677,
**please note: your child would need to
have received their First Reconciliation.**

**Cup of tea for next Sunday 23 April
2023.** If your family or group, would like
to volunteer for next Sunday. Please
contact Ellen.

Make a note on your calendars:

Pentecost Food Festival – Sunday 28th
May – more information will come soon.



Look after them the way
they looked after you.

There are certain people in life who stop who you are.
Special people who were always there to give you advice,
support, comfort and love. When the time comes to bid
them farewell, make sure you farewell them properly.
Talk to us, we'll help you do just that.

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