

Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2010

Today's gospel is about Thomas the Doubter, who, one week after the first Easter, could not believe that Jesus was alive and speaking to him. He is so like us, refusing to believe that good can triumph over evil. Let us today call to mind where we are tempted to lose hope for peace, for love, for joy, for goodness. Let us believe in life from death, in the triumph of good over evil.

Masses Week

Beginning April 12, 2010

8:00 am Daily Mass

MON: Mercedes Tayag

TUES: Sergio Miguel

WED: James Norton

THURS. Helen Lauer

Rev. Joseph L. McManus

FRI. Francis E. Taylor

SAT. Allen Steinberger

Saturday, April 17, 2010

4:30 PM. Constance Selby

6:00 PM Alvin Karwacki

Sunday, April 18, 2010

7:30 AM Serio Family (S. I.)

9:00 AM Mass of the People

10:30 AM (h) Earl Herbst

Noon DiStefano Brothers and Sisters

Mon. NH Ruth Snyder

Tues. NH Dorothy Cook

N.H. – indicates Nursing Home

S.I. – indicates Special Intention

SCRIPTURE READINGS for April 18, 2010.

First: Acts:5:27-32, 40b-41 The apostles rejoice that they are worthy to suffer for the sake of Jesus.

Second: Rev. 5:11-14 John's vision: Worthy of the lamb!

Gospel: John 21:1-19. Jesus appears a third time to the disciples and eats with them.

IHM Travel Group – Upcoming Trips:

April 21 Ocean City MD Jamboree \$77.00

May 25 Wildwood NJ Charlie Prose \$109.00

For more info contact Dot Raab at (410) 668-7760

PRAYER CHAIN If you have a PRAYER REQUEST call any member of the IHM Prayer Chain: Call Ann Connolly 410-661-6947, Mary Ann Thaler 410-668-7738. Corrine Kelly 410-252-2009; Anne Morgan – 410-668-7554

The **Holy Name Meeting** will be on Monday, April 12th at 7:30 PM in Cartwright Hall.

Please remember the Poor Box as you leave mass each weekend.

Collections for the Weekend of April 4, 2010

Envelope Donations	\$	16,925.50	
Second Collection	\$	4651.98	Maintenance
Loose	\$	4077.38	
Children	\$	100.98	
Total	\$	25755.81	
Less Cathedralium	\$	3863.37	
Available for Parish	\$	21892.44	
Poor Box	\$	175.40	

Offertory Contributions in EFT for March 2010

Offertory	4,745.50
Maintenance	362.50
Youth	215.50
Extra. Needs	478.50
Poor Box	242.50
Capital Campaign	<u>1,198.49</u>
Total	<u><u>7,242.99</u></u>

RESPECT LIFE – Deirdre A. McQuade, Assistant Director for Policy & Communications, US Conference of Catholic Bishops, issued this statement: The recently passed health care reform law will, for the first time in over 30 years, subsidize abortions throughout the nine months of pregnancy - for any reason - and force Americans to be complicit in the direct taking of innocent life. Those who conscientiously object to abortion will be forced to pay for others' abortions through their insurance premiums or taxes. The deliberate destruction of innocent human life at its most defenseless stage is never, under any circumstances, justifiable. Abortion is not health care because killing is not healing. The Hyde Amendment, which bans federal abortion funding through the appropriations process, must be defended. States are exploring legislation to exclude abortion from health coverage within their borders. We must recommit ourselves to prayer for our nation, that those in authority will use their power to defend the defenseless: unborn children and all who are vulnerable at any stage of life. For more information on the bishops' pro-life activities, please visit www.usccb.org/prolife. To join the parish Respect Life Committee call Betty at 410-665-8645.

SODALITY MEMBERSHIP

Looking for somewhere to go and something to do? Why not join the IHM Our Lady's Sodality? All are welcome. Call Gloria Dayhoff at 410-665-2902 for more information.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (IHM) SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE TUESDAY, **APRIL 13, 2010** 9:00-12:00.

Visitors and prospective families are encouraged to come for a personalized tour of the school's facilities, including grade-specific classrooms, Library, Fine Arts wing, and state-of-the-art Computer Lab. Visitors will be welcomed into classrooms to observe teachers instructing and interacting with students and will also receive an information pack detailing IHM's academic excellence, accreditations, and extra curricular activities.

SPRING CLEAN-UP --We have a Spring Clean-up Scheduled for Sunday April 11th after the noon mass and into the afternoon . Please put this on your calendar! We can guarantee a wonderful afternoon of good fellowship and fresh air. Please e-mail Sandy Wicklein at scwicklein@verizon.net if you have any questions.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thanks to all the volunteers and people in the parish for the donation of 95 casseroles, dry goods, and \$80.00 cash donated for our daily Bread on holy Thursday April 1st

Thanks to everyone in the parish, school and community for their generous donations for Easter. We were able to help 48 families with food and Easter Baskets.

MARRIAGE, DIVORCE, AND ANNULMENTS:

The Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Baltimore will offer a presentation on *Marriage, Divorce, and Annulments from a Catholic Perspective* on Tuesday, **April 20** Sacred Heart In Glyndon and Thursday, **May 13**, at St. Joseph, Fullerton. Both sessions are from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. This presentation will help those who are hurt by the tragedy of divorce and will bring new hope through the Healing Grace of Jesus Christ. For more information, directions, or to request a private appointment, call the tribunal at (410) 547-5533

Around the Neighborhood

With a crash of drums and a flash of light the **CALVERT HALL COLLEGE THEATRE DEPARTMENT** presents *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* by Andrew Lloyd Webber April 16, 17, 23, 24 at 7:30 p.m. and April 18 and 25 at 2 p.m. at the school's McManus Theater. Tickets are \$5 for students and senior citizens, and \$10 for adults. Group discounts are available. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance by contacting theatre@calverthall.com.

ST. THOMAS MORE is Celebrating 50th Anniversary Year with a concert featuring renowned singers & songwriters of inspirational contemporary Christian music, Margo B. Smith and Bernie Antkowiak. The concert is Sunday, **April 18**, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Thomas More Church, 6806 McClean Boulevard.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Parish Pastoral Council serves as an advisory body to the Pastor on all aspects of Parish Life. Each year we seek interested parishioners who would like to serve on the Council as nominees for election to the Council by their fellow parishioners. Elections will be held in May with the slate of nominees being published several weeks in advance. If you would like to serve your fellow parishioners on the Council, please contact Fr. Mike, including a short personal biography and your specific interests in serving the Parish. E-mail response is preferred or submit in writing. If you would like to nominate someone else, please submit their name, e-mail address and phone number.

Thank You

FIRST EUCHARIST

The Sundays of the Easter season are considered by the Church to be the most appropriate time for the celebration of **FIRST EUCHARIST**. Our young people will be joining us at the Lord's Table for the first time at **Masses** except the 7:30 am Mass. **on April 17-18 and April 24-25** As many as ten **FIRST COMMUNICANTS** and their families will have reserved seating in the front of the church and hall at each of the Masses. The special seating for the disabled will be moved to the front of the side chapels for these weekends. Please welcome them and help us accommodate them on this special day.

GUIDELINES FOR RESPECT FOR THE EUCHARIST.

All Catholics who are in the state of grace and in good standing with the Church are encouraged to fully participate in the Mass by receiving the Eucharist every Sunday or even daily where possible. When approaching the minister of Communion a respectful bow is recommended. This should be done when there are still one or two people still ahead of you, not when you are directly in front of the minister. (The bishops of the United States have excluded genuflecting in the communion line as an appropriate reverence. You are therefore requested NOT to genuflect at this time.) When you are receiving communion, please hold out both hands flat, one over the other, to receive communion and respond "Amen", to the proclamation, "Body of Christ". You may receive on the tongue if you wish. If communion under both forms is offered, you are encouraged, but not required, to do so. It is not permissible for a person to dip his or her own host into the cup. Genuflecting to the Lord's presence in the tabernacle as you enter and leave Church is still recommended. A simple bow is sufficient when crossing in front of the altar or the central crucifix.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS