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APRIL 12, 2026

NEW SUNDAY
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
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The liturgy this week is offered for

SALEH MEHANNA
REQUESTED BY HIS DAUGHTER
PAULINA MEHANNA THOMAS

MARONITE DIVINE LITURGY

SUNDAY, 9:30 A.M.
St. Agnes Chapel
7775 Vanderbilt Beach Road
Naples, Florida

WEDNESDAY, 12:00 NOON
Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church
5130 Rattlesnake Hammock Road
Naples, Florida

THURSDAY, 5:30 P.M.
Our Lady Of Guadalupe Chapel
Ave Maria University Campus

CONFESSION
Fr. Paul is always available
before Divine Liturgy or by appointment

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EPISTLE

2 CORINTHIANS 5:11-21

Therefore, since we know the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we are clearly apparent to God, and I hope we are also apparent to your consciousness. We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you an opportunity to boast of us, so that you may have something to say to those who boast of external appearance rather than of the heart. For if we are out of our minds, it is for God; if we are rational, it is for you. For the love of Christ impels us, once we have come to the conviction that one died for all; therefore, all have died. He indeed died for all, so that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. Consequently, from now on we regard no one according to the flesh; even if we once knew Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know him so no longer. So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him. Praise be to God always.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

I would like to know the defects of the saints and what they did to correct these defects. That would help me much more than hearing about their miracles and ecstasies.

If one dream should fall and break into a thousand pieces... never be afraid to pick one of those pieces up and begin again. That's the beauty of being alive... We can always start all over again. Enjoy God's amazing opportunities bestowed on us. Have faith in Him always.

-- St. Bernadette Soubirous (Feast Day April 16)

GOSPEL

JOHN 20:26-31



Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of (his) disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may (come to) believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name. This is the Truth. Peace be with you.



OUR LORD APPEARS TO THOMAS
The Maronite Icons: Modern Sacred Art.
Dar Sader Publishers: Beirut 1999.
Via Maronite Heritage.com/icons

PROMISES FOR THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

On one occasion, I heard these words: **My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy (Diary of St. Faustina, 699).**

LAST SUNDAY'S NUMBERS

Attendance: 172
Collection: \$1,417.00

When you are out of town, you can still donate to the collection by using this link.
<https://naplesmaronite.org/donate>

We are grateful for all your generous financial support. The bank has requested that all checks must be made out to
Naples Maronite Catholic Community, Inc.

MARCH 2026 FINANCIALS

Collections	\$5,656.40 [includes \$774.40 online; excludes picnic]
Expenses	(\$1,414.20) [includes \$305.20 in supplies]
Net	\$4,242.20

Again, many thanks for the generosity of all who attended the parish picnic with special thanks to all of the volunteers who helped prepare for this fun event. Because of all of you, the net profit for the parish was \$2,470.

SAINTS FOR THIS WEEK

- 12 Sts. Mennas, Hermogenes and Eugraphus, M
- 13 St. Zosimas, C
- 14 St. Hermenegild the King, M
- 15 Pope St. Soter (+175), M
- 16 St. Bernadette Soubirous, V
- 17 Pope St. Agapitus (+536), C
- 18 St. Thaïs the Penitent, C

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Thank you all very kindly for praying during these sacred days together. On Wednesday, Fr. Paul blessed the sacred oil and anointed our parishioners; on Thursday, we witnessed Christ's last supper, the washing of the feet of

His disciples, and the institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood; on Friday we commemorated Christ's dying on the cross. That evening, Fr. Tom was our guest homilist. On Sunday we celebrated Christ's rising to new life. May

this Easter joy and peace continue to reign in our hearts and may we carry the light of Christ into the world. Alleluia, He is risen!

