



JESUS, I TRUST IN THEE

**April 19, 2020**

## **THOUGHTS FROM FR. G**

Our Easter celebration continues, and the Risen Lord continues to bless us! One of the unexpected consequences of our new “stay-at-home” reality is that it has sparked a tremendous amount of creativity in people. The internet is filled with examples of how people are using this time to support one another and express positivity. For example, many families, especially with children, have turned their front storm door into a “stained glass” work of art, using painter’s tape and finger paints. Other children have made stained glass images on their driveway with chalk. It is a testimony to their parents’ efforts to pass on faith in these times. I have received word that some of our parishioners are calling one another each day, just to check and make sure no one feels lonely, even though living alone.

I was so pleased with the response to our web-streaming of the Triduum and Easter liturgies. We had a large number watch live and an even greater number watch them later. The comments made on the video posts are very encouraging and uplifting, as we strive to make our homes our personal church during these days. We continue to pray for one another, and I hope you know that I continue to pray for each of you. We also are blessed with the many people who have made sure that the parish receives your contributions so that we can continue to pay our bills and the salaries of our staff who are working from home. Whether by enrolling in one of the e-giving programs or mailing in your envelopes, your embrace of stewardship is heartwarming, and we are all grateful as we work our way through this pandemic.

Construction on our new Parish Office Center has continued, although at a slower pace. We are taking all precautions with the workers as they finish the remaining items that will make the building ready for our move. I am grateful to those who have made the effort to complete their pledges ahead of time so that we will have enough to pay for the construction. The Finance Council and I are in discussions about how to finance the remaining costs that are on the parish for the Phone and IT systems, floor coverings, etc. The work in the church building should be completed soon, and we will begin utilizing that space when it is finished.

Most importantly, I hope that you all continue to pray for one another. Everyone has different things that challenge them in these strange times, and we all need prayers. Please know that I pray for you and remember to pray in a special way for those who work in the medical field and our first responders who continue to put their lives in danger to keep us safe.

Have a safe week, everyone, and Happy Easter! May God bless you and your loved ones.

Fr. Giuliano

## **A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly**

**“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead... Although you have never seen him, you love him, even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.”**

There are two letters of Saint Peter in the scriptures, directed to the early Christians, providing encouragement in living their newfound faith in Jesus, risen from the dead. It is through the gift of faith that we are able to live as true disciples.

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, may I express my gratitude for the mercy that Jesus continues to pour out on me, as I place my trust in Him. Pope Francis once said that God’s last name is mercy and he is constantly reminding us, ‘God’s love for us is so great, so deep it is an unending love, one that always takes us by the hand and supports us, lifts us up and leads us on.’

‘Jesus, I trust in You.’

19 de abril de 2020

## PENSAMIENTOS DE PADRE GIULIANO

¡Nuestra celebración de Pascua continúa, y el Señor resucitado continúa bendiciéndonos! Una de las consecuencias inesperadas de nuestra nueva realidad de "quedarse en casa" es que ha generado una gran cantidad de creatividad en las personas. Internet está lleno de ejemplos de cómo las personas usan este tiempo para apoyarse mutuamente y expresar positividad. Por ejemplo, muchas familias, especialmente con niños, han convertido su puerta de tormenta frontal en una obra de arte de "vidrieras", usando cinta de pintor y pinturas para los dedos. Otros niños han hecho imágenes de vidrieras en su camino de entrada con tiza. Es un testimonio de los esfuerzos de sus padres para transmitir la fe en estos tiempos. He recibido noticias de que algunos de nuestros feligreses se llaman entre sí todos los días, solo para verificar y asegurarse de que nadie se sienta solo, a pesar de vivir solo.

Estaba muy satisfecho con la respuesta a nuestra transmisión por Internet de las liturgias del Triduo y la Pascua. Tuvimos un gran número para ver en vivo y un número aún mayor para verlos más tarde. Los comentarios hechos en las publicaciones de video son muy alentadores y alentadores, ya que nos esforzamos por hacer de nuestros hogares nuestra iglesia personal durante estos días. Seguimos orando los unos por los otros, y espero que sepan que sigo orando por cada uno de ustedes.

También estamos bendecidos con las muchas personas que se han asegurado de que la parroquia reciba sus contribuciones para que podamos seguir pagando nuestras facturas y los salarios de nuestro personal que trabaja desde su casa. Ya sea al inscribirse en uno de los programas de donación electrónica o enviar sus sobres por correo, su aceptación de la mayordomía es conmovedora, y todos estamos agradecidos a medida que avanzamos en esta pandemia.

La construcción de nuestro nuevo Centro de Oficinas Parroquiales ha continuado, aunque a un ritmo más lento. Estamos tomando todas las precauciones con los trabajadores a medida que terminan los elementos restantes que prepararán el edificio para nuestra mudanza. Agradezco a quienes han hecho el esfuerzo de completar sus promesas con anticipación para que tengamos lo suficiente para pagar la construcción. El Consejo de Finanzas y yo estamos en conversaciones sobre cómo financiar los costos restantes que están en la parroquia para los sistemas de teléfono e informática, revestimientos de pisos, etc. El trabajo en el edificio de la iglesia debería completarse pronto, y comenzaremos a utilizar ese espacio cuando esté terminado.

Lo más importante, espero que todos continúen orando unos por otros. Todos tenemos diferentes cosas que los desafían en estos tiempos extraños, y todos necesitamos oraciones. Tenga en cuenta que rezo por usted y recuerde rezar de una manera especial por aquellos que trabajan en el campo de la medicina y nuestros primeros intervinientes que continúan poniendo sus vidas en peligro para mantenernos a salvo.

¡Que tengan una semana segura para todos y feliz Pascua! Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus seres queridos.

P. Giuliano

## UNA FRESCA PERSPECTIVA DE LAS LECTURAS DOMINICALES SU PALABRA HOY *por el Reverendo William J. Reilly*

**“Bendito sea Dios, el Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que en su gran misericordia, nos hizo renacer, por la resurrección de Jesucristo, a una esperanza viva ... Porque ustedes lo aman sin haberlo visto, y creyendo en él sin verlo todavía, se alegran con un gozo indecible y lleno de gloria, seguros de alcanzar el término de esa fe, que es la salvación.”**

Hay dos cartas de San Pedro en las escrituras, dirigidas a los primeros cristianos, proveyendo aliento al vivir la nueva fe que encontraron en Jesús, resucitado de entre los muertos. Es a través del don de la fe que somos capaces de vivir como verdaderos discípulos.

Durante este Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, deseo expresar mi gratitud por la compasión que Jesús continúa derramando sobre mí, al poner yo mi confianza en El. El Papa Francisco dijo una vez que el apellido de Dios es Misericordia, y constantemente nos recuerda que ‘El amor de Dios por nosotros es tan grande, tan profundo, que es un amor que no falla, uno que siempre nos lleva de la mano y nos apoya, nos levanta y nos guía.’

‘Jesús, en tí confío.’





# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

# APRIL 19, 2020

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	† Peter Juknelis	Karin Rennert
Sunday	<b>April 19, 2020</b> ♥Angie Custer-Houtman † Martin G. Sammons † Steve Lennon † Angelo Caccavale †♥ People of the Parish	Clorinda Passwaters Paulette Sammons Joyce Adams Norma Caccavale
Monday	† Peter Juknelis	Andy & Nancy Weis
Tuesday	† Peter Juknelis	Judy Martin
Wednesday	† Anthony & Christine Depta † Betty Pucci	Frank & Debbie Depta Bob Pucci
Thursday	† Eugenia Reyes	Maria Perez
Saturday	♥ Angela Smedley	Mary & Jim Delclos
Sunday	<b>April 26, 2020</b> † Margaret Wagner † Robert Heyssel Jr. † William J. Gralka †♥ People of the Parish	Jan Lennon Maria Heyssel Gerry Mitchell

<b>Offertory Donations</b>	<b>Apr. 12, 2020</b>
<b>Weekly Offering</b>	

**A HUGE thank you to those who continue to make contributions to the Church, whether through the mail or using E-Giving. God bless!**

### **POSITION AVAILABLE**

We are currently accepting letters of interest for the position of Director of Liturgical Music. A candidate for this part-time position should be a musician who is able to accompany the singing at our weekend Masses, coordinate all other musicians and singers, and help form a working Liturgy Committee to assist in the planning of our liturgical celebrations. Please send a letter of interest with a resume to Fr. Giuliano ([giuliano@ollseaford.org](mailto:giuliano@ollseaford.org), or 528 E. Stein Hwy, Seaford, DE 19973) if you would like to be considered.

**Pray for our Beloved Deceased:  
Walter Gilefski, Husband of Ruth,  
& for Esther Hanna, Widow of LeRoy**

*Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.*

### **PREP INFORMATION**

Because of the ongoing crisis, and the impossibility to gather catechists and organize registration, we will not be able to offer a Summer Session this year. We will be getting out information regarding next year's PREP and are grateful for your patience and understanding.

### **INFORMACIÓN DE PREP**

Debido a la crisis en curso, y la imposibilidad de reunir a los catequistas y organizar el registro, no podremos ofrecer una Sesión de Verano este año. Vamos a obtener información sobre el PREP del próximo año, y estamos agradecidos por su paciencia y comprensión.

### **ONLINE GIVING**

With the suspension of Masses, we also are not receiving the weekly offertory from a majority of our parishioners. The exception is for those who are enrolled in our Online Giving Program. I urge you to consider going to our website ([www.OLLSeaford.org](http://www.OLLSeaford.org)) and clicking on the "E-Giving" link to participate in this easy and safe way to make your contributions to our parish. Naturally, our bills do not stop just because we do not have a weekly collection. Utilities, salaries, etc. all need to be paid, and we rely on your generosity to keep our parish from falling behind in any of these bills. Thank you for your consideration!

### **DANDO EN LÍNEA**

Con la suspensión de misas, tampoco estamos recibiendo la oferta semanal de la mayoría de nuestros feligreses. La excepción es para aquellos que están inscritos en nuestro Programa de Donación en Línea. Le insisto a que considere ir a nuestro sitio web ([www.OLLSeaford.org](http://www.OLLSeaford.org)) y vayan en el enlace "E-Giving" para participar de esta manera fácil y segura de hacer sus contribuciones a nuestra parroquia. Naturalmente, nuestras cuentas no se paran solo porque no tenemos una colección semanal. Los utilidades, los salarios, etc. necesitan ser pagados, y confiamos en su generosidad para evitar que nuestra parroquia se quede atrás en cualquiera de estas facturas. ¡Gracias por su consideración!

## **BUILDING FUND LOANS**

After consulting with a number of people and receiving feedback from parishioners, we are going to proceed with the loan program for our Building Fund. Because many of the pledges will not be paid off by the completion of the building and we need to pay the entire cost this spring, we need help to make up that difference. Additionally, the parish has to pay separately for some of the finishes, such as flooring, phones, IT and cabinetry. By means of \$1,000 interest-free loan, you can help us pay for the construction and finishing of our new Parish Office Building. We will begin repaying these loans at a minimum of one per month in July 2021. If you are interested in extending a \$1,000 interest-free loan to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, please fill out the form below and return it to us as soon as possible and we will mail you the required paperwork to return with your check. You can drop this form off at the office, mail it or drop it in the collection basket next week.

Thank you for your consideration and faithful stewardship to our parish!

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I am interested in making a \$1,000 interest-free loan to my parish. Please send me the required form.

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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### *Spiritual Communion*

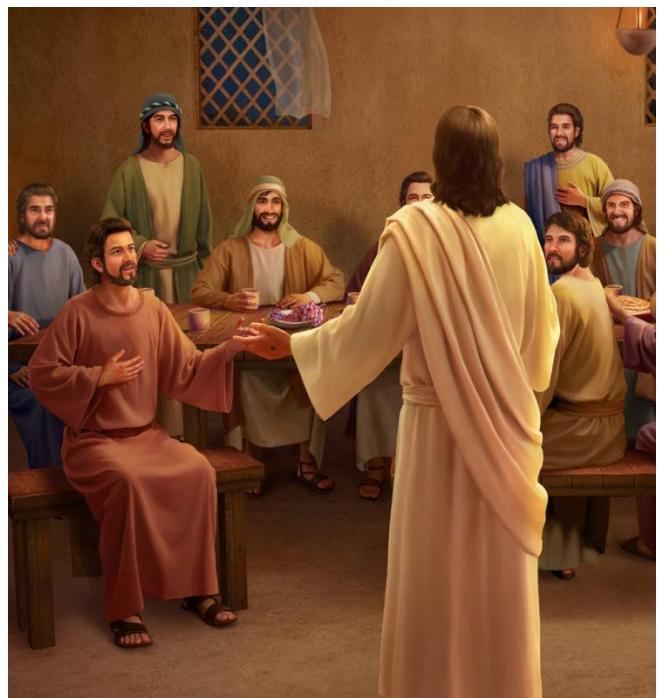
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in  
the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things and I desire to  
receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You  
Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into  
my heart. I embrace You as if You were  
already there, and  
unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



**First Reading: Acts 2:42-47**

In the early days of the Church in Jerusalem, the faithful listened intently to the teachings of the apostles. They lived a communal life, sharing all property in common and praying and taking their meals together.

**Primera Lectura: Hechos 2:42-47**

En los primeros días de la Iglesia en Jerusalén, los creyentes escuchaban atentamente a las enseñanzas de los apóstoles. Vivían una vida en comunidad, compartiendo todas sus propiedades, orando y compartiendo sus comidas.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9**

In this first letter from Peter, he speaks to the Christians with great joy and confidence, reminding them that through Christ's resurrection, they have been given a new birth and are heirs to the kingdom of heaven.

**Segunda Lectura: 1 Pedro 1:3-9**

En esta primera carta de San Pedro, él habla a los cristianos con gran gozo y confianza, recordándoles que a través de la resurrección de Cristo se les ha dado una nueva vida y son herederos del reino del cielo.

**Gospel: John 20:19-31**

After his resurrection, Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the power to forgive sins. Thomas, who is absent, sees Christ later and believes in His resurrection after feeling His wounds. Christ admonishes Thomas by saying, "You became a believer because you saw Me. Blessed are they who have not seen and believed."

**Evangelio: San Juan 20:19-31**

Después de su resurrección, Jesús se les apareció a sus discípulos y les dio el poder de perdonar los pecados. Tomás, que estaba ausente, vio a Jesús más tarde y creyó en Su resurrección después de haber tocado Sus heridas. Cristo amonestó a Tomás diciéndole: "¿Crees porque me has visto? ¡Dichosos los que creen sin haber visto!"



Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Dear Friends;

Our SVdP conference at Our Lady of Lourdes (in western Sussex Co, DE) has been tremendously impacted by the inability of parishioners to attend Mass. Our on-the-ground, Poor Box warriors can't get to the Poor Boxes to donate. At this time, we need to reach out to the greater community so that we can continue to help those who are truly in need. Your generous support will enable us to continue to put your treasure to work where it is most needed. Checks can be made out to "Society of St. Vincent dePaul, OLL" and can be mailed to SVdP, c/o 28 N. Pine Street, Ext. Seaford, DE 19973.

Please know that your charitable donations are tax deductible under our IRS 501 (c) (3) status. May our healing God bless you and keep you,

Miss Lynne, member SVdP,

