

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR B

FIRST READING – Acts 4: 32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – Ps. 117: 2-4, 15-18, 22-24.

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.

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.**

The Lord’s right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die. **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 – John 5: 1-6

A reading from the first letter of St John.

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ
has been begotten by God;
and whoever loves the Father that begot him
loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God’s children
if we love God himself and do what he has
commanded us;
this is what loving God is -
keeping his commandments;
and his commandments are not difficult,
because anyone who has been begotten by God
has already overcome the world;
this is the victory over the world—

our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God;
Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,
not with water only,
but with water and blood;
with the Spirit as another witness—
since the Spirit is the truth.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia

GOSPEL – John 20: 19 - 31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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.

■ The Gospel of the Lord

ST. KEVIN'S PARISH HAMPTON PARK

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year B)



10th & 11th April 2021

PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Vigil Masses: 5.00 pm & 7.00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday & Tuesday: 9:15am

Wednesday: 7:00pm (followed by Novena to OLPH)

Thursday, Friday & Saturday: 9.15am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / RECONCILIATION

On Saturday mornings after the 9.15 Mass until 10:30 am.

THIS SUNDAY WE PRAY

In Thanksgiving:

Agnelo de Souza, Alston, Ana & Adriana
Blanche, Leanne, Don & Lila Henricus,
Adrian, Anne, Cheryl, Milton Bird

For the sick:

Mary Ann Xavier (3)

Pauline Flynn (2)

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Violet Zuzarte, Florence Rosemond, Dorothy
Mould, Florence Genevieve, Ginette Brasse,
Marc Jeewooth

Out in Force for Holy Week – 2021

The difference from last year's Holy Week has been well-appreciated. In 2020, gatherings in the church for Holy Week celebrations were not permitted. This year the congregations, almost without exception, overflowed not only into the hall but also out in front of the church. Of course, the major contributing factor was the social distancing requirement: 1 person per 2sq.metres. Unfortunately, there were some who were upset and disappointed to find themselves on the “outer”, and so were let down in their expectations of being inside the church. I felt saddened in being aware of such situations. It is my sincere hope and prayer that for those most affected they will be able to overcome the experience. Again, I wish to thank all those who helped in any way with the celebrations of Holy Week: the sacristans, choir, all ministers (inc. readers), altar servers, ushers, flower ministry team, cleaning teams, and those also who regularly ensured that the hall was available and ready for use. May the spirit of prayer and community continue in St. Kevin's Parish just as the Easter season continues.

Fr. Desmond J. Moloney

ROSTERS FOR 17th & 18th April 2021

READERS:

SATURDAY: 5.00pm – Sherin, Serena, Indira;
7.00pm – Paulita, Sunita, Christobelle;

SUNDAY: 9.00am – Michael, Ben, Patricia;
11.00am – Annabelle, Mary D., Joseph;
6.00pm – Bernadette, Kharece, Anne;

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS:

SATURDAY: 5.00pm – Rozeta, Annabelle, Carlton, Tessy, Nancy;
7.00pm – Benita, Michelle, Gerard, Nadine, Salome;

SUNDAY: 9.00am – Abey, Aloysius, Maria, Monique, Noreen;
11.00am – Pam G., Terri N., Pam D., Liz, Philomena;
6.00 pm – George, Mirtza, Jude, Sumith, Anne;

COUNTERS – Team 5 – Athena & Sarah Fritchley, Anne & Ainsley
Collins, Isabella Fernandes

CHURCH CLEANERS – Team 4 – Samoan Choir

Altar servers upcoming Training: 16th Friday at 4pm...

Dear friends, there will be Altar Servers training on Friday 16th of April at 4pm in the Church. Parents, if you want your children to grow in their faith journey and if you have missed the opportunity to enrol them in the Altar Servers ministry, you may wish to make use of this opportunity. Thank you once again for your “Yes” to serve and your commitment to grow in your faith journey.

For any details, you may email the parish office:

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With a grateful heart,
Fr. Anil Mascarenhas