16 APR – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (or of Divine Mercy) (A)

First reading: Acts 2:42-47

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common

Second reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

You did not see Christ, yet you love him

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them



The Image of Divine Mercy revealed to St. Faustina Kowalska is symbolic of the mercy, forgiveness and love of God.

In first section of the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 118), we repeat three times, "His mercy endures forever!" God revealed His mercy, first and foremost, by sending His only begotten Son to become our Saviour and Lord by His suffering, death and Resurrection. The risen Lord gave his Apostles the power to forgive sins with the words, "Whose sins you forgive, they are

forgiven them, and whose sins you retain, they are retained." (Jn 20:23). One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Holy Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Presenting the doubting Thomas' famous profession of Faith, "My Lord and my God" (Jn 20:28), the Gospel illustrates how Jesus showed his mercy to the doubting apostle and emphasizes the importance of Faith for everyone.

"If we pray, we will believe; if we believe, we will love; if we love, we will serve. Only then we put our love of God into action", St. Teresa of Calcutta.

"Jesus, I trust in You!"

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (2ND SUNDAY OF

SUNDAY, EASTER)

16-Apr Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm

4.00pm - Tamil Mass

MONDAY, 17-Apr

Mass: 9.30am

TUESDAY, Mass: 9.30am & 6.30pm

WEDNESDAY, St Alphege, Bishop & Martyr

19-Apr Mass: 9.30am

9.30am - Requiem Mass of Theodosio MRP THURSDAY,

Siqueira 20-Apr

Mass: 6.30pm

12.00noon - Requiem Mass of Michael James FRIDAY,

Kilcawlev 21-Apr

7.00pm: Eucharistic Adoration

SATURDAY, Mass: 9.30am

22-Apr 6.30pm – Sunday Vigil Mass

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY. Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm

23-Apr 2.00pm: First Holy Communion

4.00pm – Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

POPE'S INTENTION - APRIL 2023

For a culture of peace and non-violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by states and citizens.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Domingo Fernandes and Catherine Stock that the Lord may lay His healing hands on them and bring them His peace.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF

Michael James Kilcawley who died on 18th March 2023. His Requiem Mass will be at 12.00noon on Friday, 21st April followed by burial at St Mary's Cemetery at 1.45pm. May his soul rest in peace.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF

Theodosio M R P Siqueira (Peter) who died on 13th April 2023. His Requiem Mass will be at 9.30am on Thursday, 20th April. The funeral will take place in Goa. May his soul rest in peace.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join the Parish community as we come together to praise and worship the Lord on **Friday 21st April at 7.00pm** beginning with the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for an hour. All are welcome.

THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Catholic School going children are having their First Holy Communion on **Sundays 23rd and 30th April at 2.00pm**.

The non-Catholic school-going children will have their first confession on Saturday 22nd April at 2.45pm and their First Holy Communion will be on **Saturday 6th May 2023 at 2pm.**

HOUSE BLESSINGS

If any parishioner would like to have their home blessed during the Easter Season - please give your name, address and telephone number, in writing, and drop through the Presbytery letterbox.

Filipino Mass

There will be Mass on **Sunday 30th April at 4.00pm** instead of 3.00pm.

REPOSITORY

A good selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards, Prayer Books, Rosaries and gifts are available in our repository.

ADDRESS CHANGES

It is important that parishioners inform us of their address change if we are to maintain correct records. This can only be done by filling in the Registration form ticking the address change box. Forms can be printed online and must be handed in or dropped in the presbytery letter box.

DO YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTISED?

Infant Baptisms take place on the 4th Saturday of the month at 11.15am. (Except during Advent and Lent). You will be required to attend a baptism course, on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7.00pm. Registration forms for baptism are available from the Parish office.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC THROUGH THE RCIA PROGRAMME? This means: Adults who are not Baptised at all and who wish to become Catholics: Adults who are baptised into another Christian denomination, but wish to become Catholics, and Adults who wish to become FULL members of the Roman Catholic Church (i.e. those who have been baptised but may not have received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist). Registration Forms are now available for the preparation sessions. They may be collected from the Presbytery – and you will need to make an appointment to talk with one of the priests before you start the sessions.

GETTING MARRIED

- In the Catholic Church in this Country: You need to contact one of your priests at least 6 months **before** the proposed date of the marriage- and provide a recent copy of your Baptism Certificate (dated within 6 months of the proposed marriage), and a copy of your Confirmation Certificate.
- In the Catholic Church Abroad: In addition to the information requested above, you will also need a letter of freedom from this Diocese, which may be obtained through your Priest.