



# Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter  
(Sunday of Divine Mercy) (B)

Acts 4:32–35

1 Jn 5:1–6

Jn 20:19–31

## I Want Proof

**W**ho doesn't? It's not simply that we are children of the scientific age in which proof is essential. Concrete evidence gives us a sense of security; it helps us understand how things work. Even in ordinary human relationships, we want proof. A tune from *My Fair Lady* demands: "Don't talk of love...show me." It's very difficult to live without a certain degree of surety. Consequently, we should not be surprised at Thomas' insistence: "I want proof."

Thomas is often described as lacking faith. This isn't the full story. The reason the other disciples believed was because they had an experience of the risen Lord. Before that experience they were hiding behind locked doors. Thomas was absent; we are not told why. Whatever the reason, he also wanted an experience of the risen Lord. He was not content to base his believing on their word alone. In a sense, more was being asked of Thomas than the others.

Thomas is the patron of all of us whose faith in the risen Lord is based on the word of others rather than on our own unique revelatory experience. Who of us wouldn't want some mystical experience? We are called to believe without seeing. Yet, this isn't strictly true—we *can* see evidence of the resurrection. The best proof is evident in the lives of millions of people who commit themselves to God and who strive to live with integrity.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### *For Reflection*

- \* Who are the people who taught you your faith and who live it themselves? Thank God for them.
- \* Who looks to you as an example of one who believes that Christ is alive today?

Jesus said to [Thomas],  
"Have you come to believe  
because you have seen me?  
Blessed are those who have  
not seen and have believed."

JOHN 20:29



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**St. Brieux Parish Office Hours**

Fr. George is available through the week during this time. Please contact him by using his cell phone number if immediate assistance is needed. Francine - No formal office hours during this time. Bulletin and information is available on the website: [stbrieuxparish.ca](http://stbrieuxparish.ca)

**COVID-19 PROTOCOL UPDATE****(as of March 19, 2021)**

Dispensation continues for those who are not yet ready to attend Mass. Bulletins are available online only.

**1. Masks, hand sanitizing and social distancing are mandatory for attendees.**

**2. Mass attendance has changed to 1/3 capacity or up to 150 people, whichever is less. St. Brieux Church has pew spaces still set up as previous. One family/couple/person per pew.**

**3. Phone-in registration are still required by calling 306-275-2043 on Fridays from 11-2. Any space left after will be first come/first serve basis.**

Thank you to everyone that helped to make our Holy Week Masses so special!

**EVENTS THIS WEEK & UPCOMING EVENTS****Weekday Mass Time in April stays at 10:00 a.m.****Apr. 13-16:** Weekday Masses at 10:00 a.m.

**Apr. 16:** St. Brieux Parish Registration from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. by calling 306-275-2043 for Masses on Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

**Apr. 17:** St. Brieux Parish Mass at 7:00 p.m.**Apr. 18:** St. Brieux Parish Mass at 9:00 a.m.

**Apr. 18:** Mary, Mother of God Parish (Kinistino) Mass at 4:00 p.m.

**St. Brieux Parish Mass Intentions**

Tues. Apr. 13	10:00 a.m.	<b>For Tyson Chillog on his 45th birthday by Percy &amp; Roseann King</b>
Wed Apr. 14	10:00 a.m.	<b>For Joe Dombowsky on his 61st birthday by Percy &amp; Roseann King</b>
Thurs Apr. 15	10:00 a.m.	<b>+Bob Allen by Rob &amp; Francine Allen</b>
Fri Apr. 16	10:00 a.m.	<b>+Dora Froehlick, 13th anniversary of her death by Percy &amp; Roseann King</b>
Sat. Apr. 17	7:00 p.m.	<b>+Fred Valmont by his family</b>
Sun. Apr. 18	9:00 a.m.	<b>For All Parishioners</b>

**Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intentions**

Sun. Apr. 18	4:00 p.m.	<b>+Cecile Hunt Sr. by Mary, Mother of God Parish</b>
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**Collections****St. Brieux:** Apr. 1: \$150.00

Apr. 2: \$265.00

Apr. 3: \$470.00

Apr. 4: N/A

**Mary, Mother of God:** Mar. 28: \$127.00

Apr. 1: \$115.00

Apr. 2: \$50.00

Apr. 4: \$185.00

## ***Stewardship: Divine Mercy Sunday***

*"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." - ACTS 4:32*

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

<http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>

### **Our Prayer for the Week:**

Jesus who loved Thomas, show your love also for us. Come to us when we are filled with doubt or are suspicious of our neighbours. Draw us into your one heart and soul. We pray that our eyes be changed by the Resurrection and that our hearts yearn more earnestly for unity. Amen.

<https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/life-family/suggestions-for-homilies-intercessions/>

**Prayer of the Faithful:** For unity among believers and beyond them, we pray to the Lord.

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### **Vocation Corner: Second Sunday of Easter**

**A Vocation View:** Easter: resurrection and new life; to be begotten by God. A new life, achieved from a conquered tomb. This has been the meaning of life for people for thousands of years. Nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. "As the Father sent me, so I am sending you..."

**Prayer:** For the holiness of all those sent in Jesus' name as priests, deacons and consecrated religious to proclaim the victory over the world through faith in Him, we pray to the Lord.

**Action:** From the very beginning of the church men and women have set about following Christ with greater freedom and imitating him more closely through the practice of the **evangelical counsels**, each in their own way leading a life dedicated to God. *Second Vatican Council, Decree on the Adaptation and Renewal of Religious Life Perfectae Caritatis, no. 1*

**Pray It Forward Prayer Group:** to join this ministry, or have an Intercessory Prayer Request contact Terry Valmont by text or call at 306-920-8771. Prayer requests can be submitted either anonymously or with information.

**Join Pope Francis in Prayer Every Day**  
**[www.clicktopray.org](http://www.clicktopray.org)**

**ONLINE MASS TIMES:** These upcoming celebrations will be streamed on Facebook and later that same day at [www.padiocese.ca](http://www.padiocese.ca)

- April 11, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m. First Sunday after Easter

## **ECUMENISM**

### **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION AT HOME**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** will be offered



during the Easter Season until Pentecost inviting and supporting families in their domestic Church to grow the faith at home. It will be available both on the [OEC Facebook Page](#) and

the [Diocesan Evangelization and Catechesis](#)

[Webpage](#) on **Sundays after 11 a.m. from April 11 – May 23, 2021.**

## **KEEP IN PRAYER**

### **TAI LE**

### **TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE in the RITE OF ORDINATION OF A DEACON**

On **April 30, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m. on the feast of St. Marie of the Incarnation, Tai Le will be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate in the Rite of Ordination of a Deacon at St. Theresa Parish in Wakaw. Due to Covid-19 and possible restrictions at that time, attendance will be by invitation only. Your prayers will be very much appreciated for Tai on this special day and for his continued journey towards fulfilling his chosen path as a Priest in the mission of the Lord.

### **SUITES AVAILABLE: COLUMBIAN**

**CENTRE** in Prince Albert is a quiet secure senior citizen's complex, designed for those who wish to live in community but independently. The Centre has been in operation by the Knights of Columbus since the mid 1980s and is affordable and close to many downtown services. Currently, we are accepting applications for **one and two bedroom suites to be filled by May 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you are interested, please contact **Rob Fahlman at 306-922-2833** or email me at [kcpainc@sasktel.net](mailto:kcpainc@sasktel.net). Visit us online for more information, at [columbiancentre.com](http://columbiancentre.com)!

***Our Seniors - Our Mission.***



# Dear Padre,

**I get a lot of questions from Protestant friends about the Catholic “obsession” (as they put it) with Mary. What should I say to them?**



**A** convert to Catholicism tells the story of a dinner he had with a friend who had a very evangelical outlook. As they talked about the new Catholic's decision to convert, the friend asked hesitantly, “What do you think about Mary?” The new Catholic smiled and said, “I think she's wonderful, don't you?” The friend responded with an embarrassed “Yes, but...”

If Catholics and Protestants can begin with this premise—that Mary is wonderful—it might be possible to step back and consider why. Mary is an extraordinary human being who holds a special place in the Christian faith for two reasons: first, it was through her that God became flesh in the person of Jesus Christ; and second, she was the first to believe in Jesus' mission and ministry.

All Catholic doctrine about Mary refers to two special relationships. She has a special relationship with God because she bore the “God-man” in her womb. She also has a special relationship with us because she was the first Christian.

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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*[The disciples] had abandoned the Lord at his passion and felt guilty. But meeting them, Jesus did not give a long sermon. To them, who were wounded within, he shows his own wounds. Thomas can now touch them and know of Jesus' love and how much Jesus had suffered for him, even though he had abandoned him.*

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020**

## Calendar

### Monday

APRIL 12

Easter Weekday

Acts 4:23–31

Jn 3:1–8

### Tuesday

APRIL 13

Easter Weekday

Acts 4:32–37

Jn 3:7b–15

### Wednesday

APRIL 14

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:17–26

Jn 3:16–21

### Thursday

APRIL 15

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:27–33

Jn 3:31–36

### Friday

APRIL 16

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:34–42

Jn 6:1–15

### Saturday

APRIL 17

Easter Weekday

Acts 6:1–7

Jn 6:16–21

### Sunday

APRIL 18

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13–15, 17–19

1 Jn 2:1–5a

Lk 24:35–48