



Our Lady of the Rosary

Embracing God in a Family Friendly Community

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Divine Mercy Sunday 2nd Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Liturgical Colour: White

Parish Bulletin

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From the Desk of Our Parish Priest ...

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The Lord is risen, Alleluia! He is risen indeed Alleluia!

The Risen Lord Jesus is appearing to us as a sacrificial and victorious Person. As he appears to us in our everyday experiences, I pray that we will with Thomas say to him, "My Lord and my God." Yes, today we also observe as "Mercy Sunday," remembering that our God who single-handedly fought and won the battle between life and death continues to be a "Merciful God."

Here is something to think about. When Thomas met and touched the Risen Lord Jesus, he knelt down and shouted, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "You believed this because you can see me, blessed are those who do not see me and yet believe." Do you realize the Jesus was referring to you and me? You are blessed because you have not seen Jesus in the flesh as Thomas did, but you believe, you are blessed!

I thank God for all who journeyed with the church during the forty days of Lent and I also pray that the victory, peace and blessedness of Easter will be ours in plenty.

I can confidently say that Lent and Easter so far has been for us challenging but richly blessed. Our services have been well attended and the liturgies have been what I call grace-filled. To all who worked extremely hard and under pressures of one kind or another may the Risen Lord Jesus give you light and peace.

THE LORD IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!

Fr. Clement Paul
Parish Priest



Funeral Mass for Fr. Peter Clarke OP

The funeral Mass for the late Fr Peter Clarke OP will take place on **Tuesday 10th April at 10 am** at the **St Patrick's Cathedral**. Interment will be at the Cathedral cemetery following the funeral Mass.

Fr Peter's body will be received into the church on **Monday 9th April** where there will be a **vigil service beginning at 6 pm**. Tributes will also be offered in Fr Peter's honour at this service. There will be viewing of the body on both days.



Fr Peter Clarke, O.P.



Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them

~ John 20:19-31

Sunday Mass Readings

1st Reading
Acts 4:32-35

Psalm
Psalm 117(118):2-4,15-18,22-24

2nd Reading
1 John 5:1-6

Gospel
John 20:19-31

Parish Priest
Fr Clement Paul

Mass Times
Saturday 7am
Sunday 9am

Confession
After Mass or on Request

Questions for Reflection on Today's Gospel

Theme: Do not persist in your unbelief but believe!



Step One: Listen to the Word

- ✧ As you hear this familiar reading, what words or phrases strike you?
- ✧ What in this reading touches your heart?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: How can you believe in Jesus whom you have never seen?

Question for Youth: Jesus' words of greeting were "Peace be with you," followed by the invitation to forgive sins. How does forgiveness bring peace to you? How does it change the world?

Question for Adults: What strengthens your faith? Why do you believe in Jesus?

Source: <http://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/>

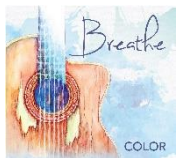


What's Happening at OLOR This Week

- **Sat 14th:** Mass, 7am
- **Sun 15th:** 9am Mass – 3rd Sunday of Easter (B)



Breathe CD's Available for Purchase



Breathe album CD's are available for sale from the Choir of Our Lady of the Rosary (COLOR) at a cost of \$30. Please contact Audra or any member of the choir to purchase your copy.

For additional information, check out their website or Facebook page below.

Website: www.colorbb.org

FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/olorchoir/>

Church Figures

Sunday 1st April:

- Attendance: 94
- Collection (inclusive of the Triduum Masses): \$1,744.40
- **Annual Appeal:** \$300.00

What's Happening Around the Diocese

6-8 Apr: Divine Mercy Triduum at St Dominic's

Join us as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Fatima. Visit TheDivineMercy.org/ewtn for more information about today's celebration

DIVINE MERCY TRIDUUM

Friday, Apr 6: 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Saturday, Apr 7: 7:00 am Mass followed by first Saturday Devotions/Divine Mercy Chaplet Adoration from 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

Sunday, Apr 8: 2:30 pm Adoration; 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Mass

7 Apr - 5 May: An Introduction to Spirituality

The Catholic Formation Institute Presents "An Introduction to Spirituality". A five-week certificate course, facilitated by Fr. Peter McIsaac and Rev. Dr. Layne. What is Spirituality? This spiritually nourishing course covers this and many other topics including Liturgical and Sacramental Spirituality, the Divine office and Developing awareness of God's presence in our daily life.

Please see the Flyer for all of the information. ALL CATHOLICS, Persons involved in Church ministry, Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Choir members, Altar Servers, Sacristans, Prayer group members are invited to attend these important sessions.

To register Email: formationinstitute@gmail.com or Tel: 426 - 3510

Registration of New Pupils

From May 1st - 31st, St Patrick's RC Primary School will be accepting registration for new pupils for September 2018.

Please call the school between 9am and 3pm for further information. Telephone: 426-3709

Have a Peaceful and Blessed Week.