

April 23 & 24, 2022

**Second Sunday
of Easter/
Divine Mercy Sunday**



**2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER
(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)**

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m. (*Temporarily postponed*)

Tues—Fri 12:00 p.m.
Holy Days 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Fridays 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.



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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
~ The office does not close for lunch ~

Other Contacts

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Food outreach (*Mondays at 4:00 p.m.*)

Utility & Rent Assistance (*2nd & 4th Saturdays*)

Gospel Reflection

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

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Readings for the Week

April 24, 2022

Sunday:	Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
Monday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/ Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Observances for the week of April 24, 2022

Sunday:	2 nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy); St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
Monday:	St. Mark, Evangelist
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	Administrative Professionals' Day
Thursday:	St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest
Friday:	St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church; Arbor Day
Saturday:	St. Pius V, Pope
Next Sunday:	3 rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker

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April: Month of the Holy Spirit

*Breathe into me Holy Spirit,
that all my thoughts may be holy.
Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my
work, too, may be holy.
Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that
I may love only what is holy.
Strengthen me, Holy Spirit,
that I may defend all that is holy.*



Mysteries of the Rosary

- Sunday—Glorious Mysteries
- Monday—Joyful Mysteries
- Tuesday—Sorrowful Mysteries
- Wednesday—Glorious Mysteries
- Thursday—Luminous Mysteries
- Friday—Sorrowful Mysteries
- Saturday—Joyful Mysteries



Mass Intentions

Please Note:

All Mass intentions must be requested at least one day prior to the day you want the intention read to ensure that it is included in the daily intentions.

For the week of April 25—May 1

Monday, April 25

12:00 P.M. — **NO NOON MASS**

Tuesday, April 26

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Wednesday, April 27

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Thursday, April 28

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Friday, April 29

12:00 P.M. — Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Saturday, April 30

5:00 P.M. — For God's protection over all our military by Sylvia Misquez

For an end to abortion by Sylvia Misquez

For healing for victims of sex trafficking by Sylvia Misquez

For the President of the United States

Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Sunday, May 1

8:00 A.M. — † Alvina Grijalva and Eduvigen Roybal by Cruz & Clara Roybal

† Jose' Padilla by Sr. Rita and Sr. Rosie

Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

10:00 A.M. — For the health and well-being of Melissa Velasquez & Family by Family

Students, Staff, Faculty, and Alumni of WNMU

Altar Bread & Wine for April

is for Donisia & Nicho Silva

By the Silva Family

Liturgy Schedule

April 30 & May 1

Saturday, April 30—5:00 P.M.

Lectors— Nancy Thomas and Marjorie Johnson

Eucharistic Ministers: Host— Carol Montes

Cup— **TBA**

Music— Rosie & Friends

Sunday, May 1—8:00 A.M.

Lectors— Joni Miller and Maleah Diaz

Eucharistic Ministers: Host— Silvia Madrid

Cup— **TBA**

Music— Lorraine & Friends

Sunday, May 17—10:00 A.M.

Lectors— Rosalina Alvarado and Amadita Diaz

Eucharistic Ministers: Host— Dotty Pfeifer

Cup— **TBA**

Music— TBD



Dates to Remember

May 6—12:00 First Friday Mass

May 8—Mother's Day; 1st Communions at 12:00

May 12—6:00 Baptism Class

(please call the church if you plan to attend)

May 31—Confirmation 6:00 at St. Vincent de Paul

On-Going Events to Remember

Baptism Classes

Every second Thursday of the month
from 6:00—9:00 p.m.

Please call the office to have your name added to the list.

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

If you, or someone you know, has been the victim of sexual abuse by clergy or church personnel, contact the Victim's Assistance Coordinator at the Diocese of Las Cruces at (575) 523-7577, or vac@rcdlc.org.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doris Ann & John Walsh
Sam & Mando Medina
Tommy Ogas
Vicki Ogas
Maggie Simpson
Eddie Carbajal, Jr.
Sam Silva
Irene Alvarado
Sam Montoya
Pat & Barbara Lambert
Nestor Placencio

Keegan Browning
Travis Kirkland
Mary Lou Ortega
Elaine Haynik
Gus & Martha Alatorre
Gloria Aralica
Louise Perez
Delfina Diaz
Matthew Leyba
Sandy Irevolos
Wanda Garcia

Danny Sandoval
Cesario C. Maldonado
Freddie Polanco
Belle Kempf
Chris Christensen
Dolores Gomez
*Pray for our military
serving around the world
~~~~~ and ~~~~~  
for the President of the  
United States*

*Please remember to notify the office if someone on the prayer list needs to be removed. Thank you~*



## Stewardship

### COLLECTIONS

April 17

\$ 11,354.36

\$ 1,663.20 (Associates)

\$ 100.00 (Holy Land)

\$ 35.00 (Catholic Relief)

\$ 3.50 (Retirement for Religious)

\$ 75.00 (Building Fund)

*Thank you for your continued generosity~*

### ~ FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS NEEDED ~

The pantry is in need of cold cereal, spaghetti sauce, ramen, milk, deodorant, detergent, shampoo, toothpaste, hygiene items, dish soap, quart Ziploc bags, empty egg cartons, and any "Just for You" items from Albertson's that you don't want.

They also need volunteers on Monday afternoons and on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from. If you can help, please contact Dotty at (575) 313-2817

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Thank you for your continued generosity!
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### United In Ministry...the Essential Service of Hope

Please remember to make your UIM contribution. This year's commitment is \$30,000 and we have already collected over 78% of our goal! If you need an envelope, there are some available in the office.

If you would like to donate online, visit [www.rcdlc.org/iamuim](http://www.rcdlc.org/iamuim).

Thank you to everyone who has already contributed!

*Pray to End Abortion*

*"Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee;  
and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee..."*

*Jeremiah 1:5*



### ~ Second Collections ~

May 1— Building Fund

May 8— San Juan Diego Seminarian Educational Fund

May 15—St. Francis Associates

May 29—Catholic Communication

## Other Parish Information

### Mission Statement

Called in Baptism and rooted in our Catholic faith, we at St. Francis Newman Center Parish of the Diocese of Las Cruces are welcoming and compassionate people. We strive to be disciples of Christ with a special ministry to the Western New Mexico University community. The dynamic and diverse nature of our parish invites us to be open to spiritual formation and the values of charity. Nourished by the Word of God and the Holy Eucharist and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we reach out to all, encouraging active participation in the life, mission and work of the Catholic faith within our families, our parish, our diocese and our world. (Approved: January 4, 2012)

### Baptisms

Parents and Godparents must complete the Baptism Application (available in the office) and take the Baptism class prior to scheduling a Baptism. Godparents must have all sacraments to be able to serve as Godparents. Contact the Parish Office for complete details.

### Marriages

Marriages must be arranged 6 months in advance.

### Parish Membership

All parishioners 18 years or older are urged to register— as a member of the Catholic Church, registration is required.

As a registered member of our parish you are invited to participate as a volunteer in assisting the various ministries our parish offers.

### Volunteer Ministries

St. Francis Newman Center has many ministry opportunities in which Parishioners can serve. Please call or stop by the office to inquire as to where you can best serve our Parish.

"DIVINE MERCY,  
SWEET RELIEF FOR  
ANGUISHED HEARTS,  
I TRUST IN YOU."

SAINT FAUSTINA



### ~ Parking Lot Update ~

Last week the lower parking wall was water-proofed. The forms are completed for the footings for the stairs from the upper parking lot last week. The footings were poured with concrete.

Next week the footings for another wall for the stairs from the lower parking lot to the sanctuary will be dug and formed.