



April 11, 2021
Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy

<u>Collection April 4, 2021</u>	
Collection	\$ 635.00
Catholic Virginian	\$ 25.00
Easter Offering	\$150.00
Attendance	49

April 18, 2021 Ministers

Lector: Stan Stanley
 Commentator: Gaby Stanley

Please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass as you enter the sanctuary.

Readings for April 18, 2021 Devine Mercy

Reading 1: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19
 Reading 2: I John 2:1-5a
 Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Information about St. Edward- Daily readings, the bulletin, and other information can be found on our webpage at: <https://stedwardpulaski.org>

Donations- please mail your regular donations to St. Edward's Catholic Church, PO Box 1670, Pulaski, VA 24301 if you are not attending Mass.

Mass Live-Stream- Mass is still live-streamed every Sunday morning at 9:00 at <http://www.facebook.com/stmaryschurchwytheville>

Prayer List- Mike Malloy, Tim Kimbleton, Doug Waldrop, Carol Luttrell, Brenda Lee, John Balconi, Tom Williams, Joan Jennings, Sharon Dalton, Jerry Dalton, Lynn Canty, Connie Armentrout, Richard Richardson, Cyndy Lennertz, Linda Taylor Sonner, Brenda Lessard, and Father Bernie.

(Please contact Stan Stanley if you have additions or deletions)

Easter Season- The celebration of the Easter Vigil is the beginning of the season of Easter. The Vigil is the Christian feast *par excellence*, the feast of new birth, new beginnings, salvation renewed, and humanity restored to the Lord. While the Vigil marks the end of the paschal fast, the end of the celebration of Holy Week, and the end of repentance and conversion for which Lent prepared the community, it is much more a beginning. It is the beginning of a new season of grace and a time of joy and thanksgiving, for Easter is not one day or one solemnity—it is a fifty day celebration, and the fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday together comprise what the General Instruction terms "the great Sunday".

Happy April Birthdays!

Tom Phillips	April 2
Kenneth Martin	April 9
Carla Martin	April 9
Sally Warburton	April 12
Bill Jennings	April 21
Drema Altizer	April 21
Stan Stanley	April 23
Danny Coalson	April 23
Malek Tabor	April 24
Marie Hager	April 28
Rosana Vallo	April 28

Happy April Anniversaries

Dan & Debbie Grubb April 12

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Daily Prayer This Week

This is a wonderful week to pray in joy at God's merciful love for us, and for the unending forgiveness we are offered. We know we have done nothing to deserve that forgiveness and that we cannot earn it, and yet it is ours, if only we can accept it.

Over and over this week, we are invited to place our trust in God. The ever-human disciples didn't always put aside their fears, and neither do we. We can imagine the terrified followers of Jesus hiding behind locked doors until he appears in their midst, inviting them not to be afraid.

This might be a good week to spend time with Jesus looking at the fears in our own lives which keep us locked up away from others. We can ask Jesus for the courage to trust in him. What would it cost us to let go of the fears that smother our lives? What would it mean for our lives and for the relationships in our lives if we were willing to let go of "the way we have always done things" and to beg Jesus for help? Our lives can change. We have a standing offer from our Lord to fall into his forgiving embrace.

Dear Lord, it feels impossible to believe that my life can change, that I can move out of this rut I am in. I know I don't always live my life feeling your love and being my best self. Help me to trust in you, to drop my defenses and to feel how deeply I am loved and forgiven by you. Give me the courage to feel it in my heart when you say, "Don't be afraid" and "Peace be with you." I so long for that peace in my life but it feels so far away sometimes. Help me to believe in you, to drive away the doubts and unbelief that harden my heart.

I know my life can change, if only I can say with all my heart, "I trust in you, Lord. I believe in your mercy and I know that with your help, my life can be healed."

Easter Flowers

In Memory of

Jack & Linda McCann	Betty Richardson, Johnny Vituska, Catherine McCann, Greely Manning
Cora Wojeichouski	The Wojeichouski Family, The Denny Family
Karen Audas	Crispina Caldea
The Klima family	
The Schlottmann family	
Donna Hathaway	Ron Hathaway
Terrie Hancock	
Stan & Gaby Stanley	The LoMascolo Family, The Stanley Family
Dan & Debbie Grubb	Bill Canty, Gregory Canty, Ralph & Mozelle Grubb
John & Mickey Balconi	Joel McLawhorn