



**April 7, 2024**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**(Divine Mercy Sunday)**

**Collection March 31, 2024**

<b>Regular Collection</b>	\$ 1041.00
<b>Flowers</b>	25.00
<b>Easter</b>	700.00
<b>Catholic Virginian</b>	10.00
<b>Attendance</b>	96

**April 14, 2024**

**Lector:** Wesley Young  
**Commentator:** Guenter Schlottmann  
**Ushers:** Owen family  
**Eucharist Ministers:** McNair/Williams

**Readings for April 14, 2024**

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

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

**Prayer List** -Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Rosanna Vallo, Larry Riffey, Mary Ann Phillips, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Bill Vest, Raegan Ray, Marianne McGriffin, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, Shannon Yates, Lynn Canty, Chuck Yates, Ron Morgan, Sue Dasse, Tod Young, Shelia Zellars, Donna Gilmore, Adam Conner, Aaron Quain, Jim Hopkins, Bill McGuire, Monte Howard, Suzanne Martin, and John Willett.  
**Let the Stanleys know if you have additions or deletions,**

**New Schedules soon-** New schedules will be made soon. If you would like to be added or removed from a ministry, please be sure to let Stan know on or before **April 14**. The ministries each Mass include a Lector, a Commentator, two Ushers, and two Eucharistic Ministers. Please consider becoming involved if you aren't already. Thank you

**Lawn Care-** If you can help with grass cutting, removing weeds from beds, weed eating, and keeping the parking lot clean, please sign up on the sheet in the hall today

**SAM Sunday-** next Sunday after Mass we will have our SAM Sunday. Come and join in as we "Make your own Sub" and enjoy an ice cream sundae for desert. As we have done in the past, we will have a donation jar to cover the cost of the food. Hope everyone can attend.

**April Birthdays**

Tom Phillips	Apr. 2
<b>Sally Warburton</b>	<b>Apr. 12</b>
Bill Jennings	Apr. 21
Drema Altizer	Apr. 21
Amanda Kelly	Apr. 22
Danny Coalson	Apr. 23
Stan Stanley	Apr. 23
Marie Hager	Apr. 28
Rosanna Vallo	Apr. 28
Ryan Kelly	Apr. 28

**April Anniversaries**

Paul & Kelli Glover	Apr. 3
<b>Dan &amp; Debbie Grubb</b>	<b>Apr. 12</b>

## **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.*