
APRIL 11, 2021 ~ SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

WHERE WAS THOMAS?

**PUT
YOUR
FINGER
HERE**



John's version of the Easter event includes a story not mentioned in the other gospels. Only ten apostles are present. Judas is dead and Thomas is absent.

EASTER CANDLE

The Easter candle that leads the procession into the church at the Easter Vigil, becomes a dominant symbol for the season. It creates the first light for the faithful and dispels the darkness which belies our sins. The Easter candle first announces the news of the resurrection, followed by the Glory to God, the Alleluia, the Gospel, the homily and the Eucharist. All join to make the same proclamation. Christ is Risen! We celebrate this message for fifty days. That Easter candle burns in our churches every day during these seven weeks, proclaiming: Christ is risen, and we too may rise! The Easter candle appears in our liturgy on two other very significant occasions: baptisms and funerals. When someone is baptized, we light the Easter candle. The resurrection of Christ foreshadows our own resurrection. Baptism incorporates us into the body of Christ and gives us a share in his resurrection. Whenever the baptismal waters are poured, the Easter candle burns bright. Parents and godparents light a baptismal candle from the Easter candle. They accept the responsibility of keeping the flame of faith alive in the heart of the newly baptized. Parents carry this candle home, where it may shine on baptismal anniversaries to symbolize the first news of the risen Christ. We also light the Easter candle at funerals. In the midst of our grief, we call upon the symbols which enliven our faith. Several images of baptism reappear at the funeral: the sprinkling with holy water, the placing of a white pall over the casket and the lighting of the Easter candle. Christ rose from the dead so that we too might pass from death to life. Every death reminds us of Easter and every Easter gives us hope that death is not the end, but the passage from darkness to eternal light

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of April

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL UPDATE

Celebrating the Easter and spring season reminds us to be grateful during these challenging times that we are living in. The food bank has been Blessed by the generous donations of Parishioners dropping off non-perishable food items in the barrels placed in the foyer of the church. Parishioners' generosity continues by donations of money placed into the collection box entering the church or dropped off at the church office. Our school communities, students, and staff also stepped up to help the SVDP food bank by holding tremendous food drives of non-perishable items and grocery gift cards for Easter. The local north-end grocery stores deserve acknowledgment for their daily support of fresh fruit, vegetables, and bread. The Market is popular and many have come to depend on this extra help, on average 55 to 35 come daily. If possible please say Thank You, if you shop at Sobeys, Zehrs, Costco Niagara. Bins are also provided at Food Basics, No Frills. Freshco, and Sobeys for customers to drop off non-perishable items ready to purchase in brown bags at a set price or miscellaneous items. They are focusing attention on food insecurity in the local community by encouraging their customers to help feed the hungry. This allows our volunteers to meet the daily needs of clients who come to us for extra assistance to stretch their food budgets. Thank You
God Bless You for your continued support of the SVDP foodbank.

We pray for everyone's health and safety

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Apr 12	8:00am.....	Frank DeStefano/ The Intentions of the Braun Family
Tues	Apr 13	8:00am.....	Jerome D'Souza/Maria Tartarelli
Wed	Apr 14	8:00am.....	Robert Watt/Giuseppe DiSanto
Thur	Apr 15	8:00am..	Maria Grazia Damiano/Desiree Crete
Fri	Apr 16	8:00am..	Giuseppe DiSanto/Mark Brennan
Sat	Apr 17	8:30am.....	Doreen Innamorati/ John the Baptist Pham
		5:00pm.	Murray Urquhart/Ms. Robillard
Sun	Apr 18	7:30am.....	John the Baptist Pham
		9:30am.....	Mr. & Mrs. Michele Daniele/ Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Credico
		11:30am.....	Tony Passero/Jan Konieczny
		1:30pm.....	Pro Populo Dei

THANK YOU!

Fr Hugh, Fr Stephen, Msgr Leo, Fr Hernando, Fr Ron, and Fr Peter wish to express a sincere "thank you" for the generosity you have shown them with prayers, cards, and baked goods. They would like to thank the spanish community for decorating the church so beautifully and for all those who donated towards Easter flowers in memory of your loved ones. A special thank you to all who volunteered during Holy Week and Easter with registration, seating, and cleaning the church as well as all the readers. Thank you for helping to make this weekend run as smoothly and as safely as possible.

FOR FLOWERS THAT BLOOM

For flowers that bloom about our feet;
For tender grass, so fresh, so sweet;
For song of bird, and hum of bee;
For all things fair we hear or see,
Father in heaven, we thank Thee!

For blue of stream and blue of sky;
For pleasant shade of branches high;
For fragrant air and cooling breeze;
For beauty of the blooming trees,
Father in heaven, we thank Thee!

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

2ª DOMENICA DI PASQUA

11 APRILE 2021

«Pace a voi!»

Cristo si mostra ai suoi discepoli e dice loro: "Pace a voi". La pace, in ogni casa, si conquista con la collaborazione di tutti, col sacrificio di tutti, col perdono di tutti. Senza perdono non si può avere pace.

Grazie!

P. Hugh, P. Stephen, Mons. Leo, P. Hernando, P. Ron e P. Peter desiderano esprimere un sincero "grazie" per la generosità che avete dimostrato loro con preghiere, cartoline e prodotti da forno. Vorrebbero ringraziare la comunità spagnola per aver decorato la chiesa in modo così bello e per tutti coloro che hanno donato fiori pasquali in memoria dei vostri cari. Un ringraziamento speciale a tutti coloro che si sono offerti volontari durante la Settimana Santa e la Pasqua con la registrazione, i posti a sedere e le pulizie della chiesa, nonché a tutti i lettori. Grazie per aver contribuito a rendere questo fine settimana il più fluido e sicuro possibile

ASCOLTA IL SILENZIO

Ascolta il silenzio, egli ti parla come un'intera moltitudine.

Ascolta il silenzio, sa ferirti e guarirti, prenderti sul serio e ridere di te.

Ascolta il silenzio, immobile, soave, incapace di mentire.

Ascolta il silenzio, lasciati guidare e guarda dentro te.

Ascolta il silenzio e fai finta di non esistere: sei parte di un tutto!

Ascolta il silenzio e rimani sollevato, immerso tra l'oggi e l'Eterno.

Ascolta il silenzio, umile, discreto, incapace di tradire.

Ascolta il silenzio che irrompe nella tua vita fino a quando vorrai.

Ascolta il silenzio che ti parla dei "perché", dei "quando" e dei "come".

Ascolta il silenzio che esiste sempre anche quando non ci sei.

Ascolta il silenzio se vuoi amare chi ti ama e se vuoi morire per chi non ti ama.

Ascolta il silenzio, se vuoi, se puoi, se devi pensare ad altro.

Ascolta il silenzio e non imprecare, ma lasciati vivere in pace.

Ascolta il silenzio, oggi, domani e adesso, quando egli ti avvolgerà per sempre. ~ De Rogatis