April 8, 2018 | Second Sunday of Easter

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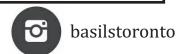
# UNBELIEF AND MOMENTS OF **MERCY**

by Erica Tice

Today is the final day in the Octave of Easter, of eight days where nothing other than the Resurrection is liturgically celebrated and Alleluias abundantly resound. This final day of the octave is known as Divine Mercy Sunday, the day on which the floodgates of Christ's mercy are opened in a particular way for the salvation of the world. It is also the day where we hear the unbelieving account of Thomas the Apostle and his tremendous cry of faith upon beholding the risen Lord. This is the day where unbelief and mercy are intertwined so that, like Thomas, we too can become witnesses to the resurrection.

Continued overleaf...







Pope St. Gregory the Great, commenting on today's Gospel passage in a homily of his own, explained the relationship of unbelief and mercy in this way:

"What conclusion, dear brethren, do you come to? Surely it was not by chance that this chosen disciple, was missing in the first place? Or that on his return he heard, that hearing he doubted, that doubting he touched, and that touching he believed? It was by divine dispensation and not by chance that things so fell out. God's mercy worked wonderfully, for when that doubting disciple touched his Master's wounded flesh he cured the wound of our disbelief... So this doubting disciple, who actually touched, became a witness to the reality of the resurrection."

Thomas touched the wounded side of our beloved Saviour to heal the wounds of our own disbelief. Let us pray for Thomas's faith and, in a moment of pure adoration, respond to our risen Lord with the words "my Lord and my God!" Alleluia, alleluia!

## <u>Sunday's Readings:</u>

ACTS 4.32-35 PSALM 118 1 JOHN 5.1-6 JOHN 20.19-31

Erica Tice is the Campus Minister for the University of St. Michael's College

## THANK YOU

**Thank you** to all those who contributed to this month's John Ford First Sunday Food Drive. Your donations greatly benefit those in our society who are most in need.

If you're interested in finding out more information or volunteering with outreach ministries, please contact Michael at michael.pirri@utoronto.ca or (416) 926-1300 x.3210

# LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Please note that the Eastern Liturgy, which usually takes place on the first Sunday of the month, has been moved to the second Sunday of the month for April, May, and June. The Liturgy begins at 2:00PM in the Sanctuary.

If you are interested in attending one of these services, or finding out more about the Oriental Eastern Catholic Church, please contact the parish office.

#### **VOICES FOR PEACE**

Join the Church of the Redeemer, Citizens for Public Justice, Basilian Centre for Peace and Justice, and the Henri Nouwen Society for Voices of Peace, a day of presentations and workshops by seasoned and dynamic peacemakers. Steeped in the tradition of Henri Nouwen and Thomas Merton, these committed individuals will encourage and motivate you with a peaceful call to action. Keynote speakers are author/activist Jim Forest, and musician/broadcaster Shad.

Saturday, April 28, 2018 8:30am-4:30pm

Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre 95 St. Joseph Street

visit http://bit.ly/VoicesforPeace for more information or to purchase tickets (\$25 Adults | \$15 Students)

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Saturday, April 14 7:30PM

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### EASTER RETREAT

The Newman Centre is blessed to have Fr. Jacques guide the community on the importance of living the Beatitudes. In this retreat, Fr. Jacques will show how true joy comes from spiritual poverty lived according to the Gospel. Father will give examples from the Scriptures to teach what it means to be spiritually poor before God, ourselves, and our brothers and sisters.

**Saturday, April 15**, 9:00am-3:00pm | Tickets \$30 (includes lunch).

https://easterretreatnewman.eventbrite.ca for more information.

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, April 1, 2018 \$ 11,521.53



#### Sunday

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00am David Myung and Family (liv.)

10:30am Pro Populo

12:00pm Hermina and Auntun Sertic (+,+)

4:30pm Cora Mae May (+)

#### MONDAY ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

7:30am John and Kathleen Angus (+,+)

12:10pm Martina DuBois (liv.)

#### TUESDAY

7:30am Rose Atkinson (+)

12:10pm Matthew Chiu-Woon Leung (+)

#### Wednesday St. Stanislaus

7:30am Wayne Wright (+)

12:10pm Jayantha Rajakariar (+)

#### THURSDAY

7:30am Gloria Cynthia Brissett (+)

12:10pm Bosco Tang (liv.)

#### Friday

7:30am David Myung and Family (liv.)

12:10pm Luigi and Lina Ciavarella (+,+)

#### SATURDAY

5:00pm Teresa Fung and Family (liv.)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Donna Wood, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Paul and Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Helen Agard, Rebecca Beaton, Paul O'Brien, Carry Eillen, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, Alexander Wu, and Desmond Brownlee.

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