COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (Today) Solemn Holy Mass at 10am. with Consecration of our families to the Divine Mercy. Festive breakfast for everybody to follow!
 (Saturday) Free Lunch at 11.00am—12.30pm.
 (III Sunday of Eastere) Holy Mass at 10am. Coffee hour as usual in the Church Hall. No Mass intention so far!
- **THANK YOU Magda** for decorating the back wall of the Church for the "Divine Mercy" painting.
- THANK YOU Mike for setting up, cooking and serving today's breakfast.
- THANK YOU Diane and Linda for running yesterday's Polish Food Sale.

- Big THANK YOU to all who contributed to this year's "Lenten Tithe". We have collected \$2,806.95. New liturgical items purchased: Paschal Candlestick, 2 small Altar Candlesticks, Censer with boat & Censer stand, Cope with humeral veil, Paschal Candle + 4 small candles, Processional Cross.
- Free North End history walk led by the town historian this coming Saturday,
 April 22 at 1pm (rain or shine). Meeting place: parking lot of Robertson School
 (65 North School St., Manchester). The walk will take approx. 1h45min. and will
 have one stop in our church for the history talk by Fr. Adam.

CHURCH NEWS

 Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: CHARLES HENSLEY (04/16), MAGDA PIEKARZEWSKA (04/20). Happy anniversary! Happy birthday!

If you have any information for the "Church News Column", please inform Fr. Adam by email or phone no later than Friday afternoon.

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BEHOLD

II SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + JUANA MASOTA on the 1st death anniversary (req. by Lina & Vince Salvatore).

INTROIT

C: I waited, waited for the Lord; Who bent down and heard my cry, drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the mud of the swamp, set my feet upon rock, steadied my steps. Alleluia.

R: And put a new song in my mouth, a hymn to our God. Many shall look in in awe and they shall trust in the Lord. Alleluia.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need.

Every day they devoted themselves

ACTS 2:42-47

and to breaking bread in their homes.

They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people.

And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

to meeting together in the temple area

PS 118

"Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting."

READING 2

1 PT 1:3-9

A reading from the First Letter of St. Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time. In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith,

more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

JN 20:19-31

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory be to You, Lord.

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." 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."

Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

