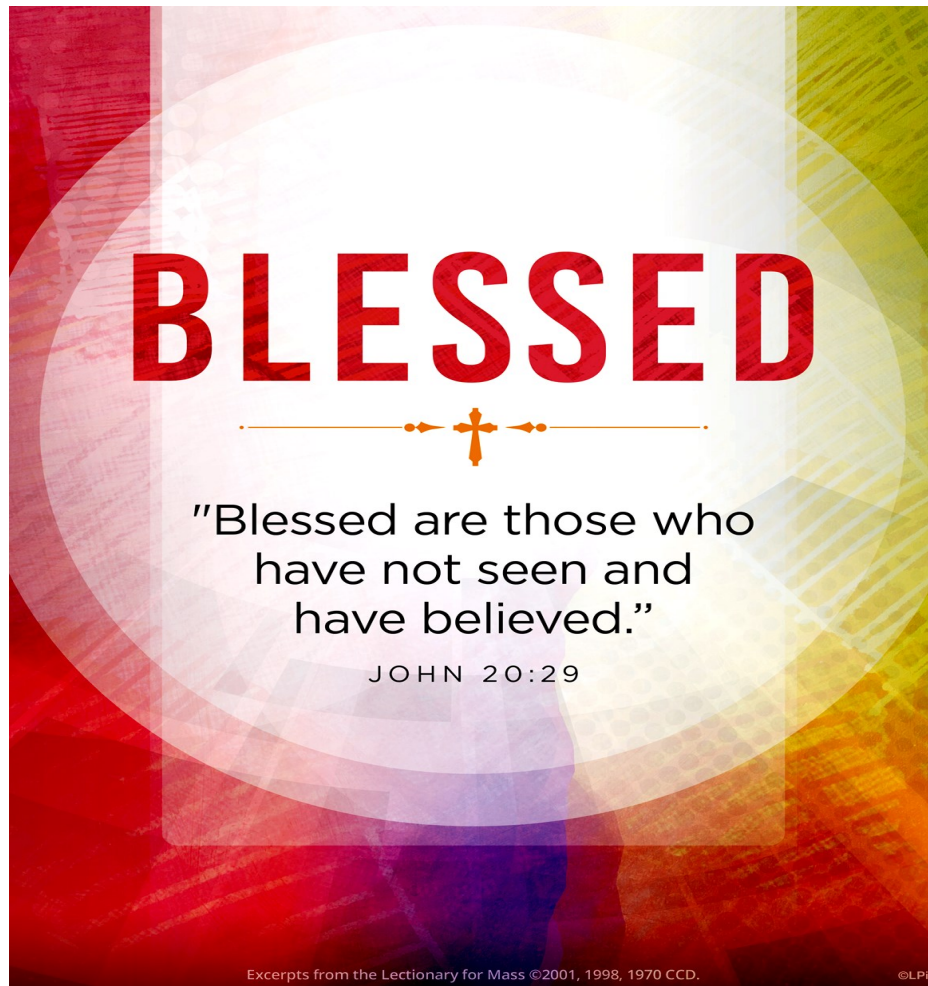


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Second Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy Sunday)

April 12, 2026



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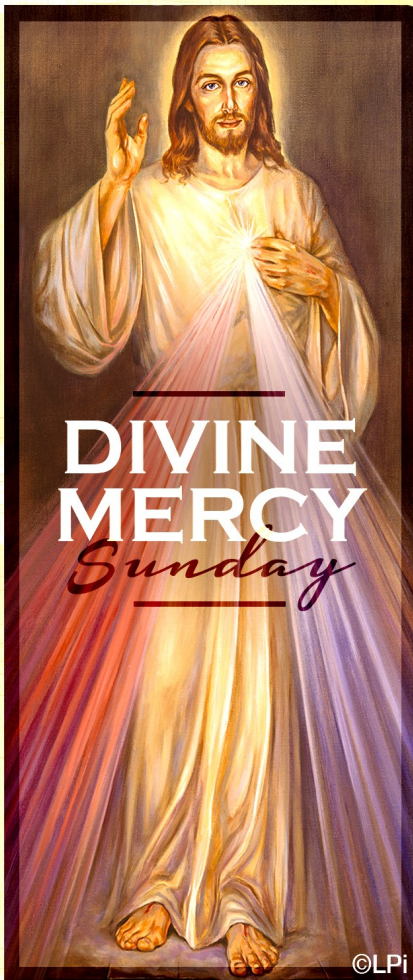
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Mass Schedule for April 11—19, 2026

At STL: Saturday 4:00PM; Sunday 7:30AM, 10:30AM;

M - F 6:00AM Comm. Service, 7:30AM Mass

At OLOR: Sunday 9:00AM; Monday 8:30AM Mass;

Wednesday & Friday 8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, April 11, 2026 Vigil Mass

2:00PM Busch-Carter Wedding

4:00PM Cornelius & Mary Sullivan, Maribeth Nagy,
Alex & Theresa Putz, Sheila Creghin

Sunday, April 12, 2026 Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

7:30AM Marc Medel, Beverly Wrobel, Joseph Pittacora,
Spl. Int. Ugochukwu Family and Relations

9:00AM Vincenzo Pezzuto, Salvatore Spalla, Dorothy Smith,
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10:30AM Glen Rylko, Bryan Kumzi, Mary Ann Novak,
Bob Pastore

Monday, April 13, 2026 St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr

7:30AM Patricia Lawrence

8:30AM Karen Sipple, Charlotte Imhof

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 Easter Weekday

7:30AM Norman B. Reno, Laverne Leahy

Wednesday, April 15, 2026 Easter Weekday

7:30AM Edward & Bona Lee

8:30AM Communion Service

Thursday, April 16, 2026 Easter Weekday

7:30AM Kathleen O'Donnell

Friday, April 17, 2026 Easter Weekday

7:30AM Smyth Family, McNicholas Family, Alan Francis

8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, April 18, 2026 Vigil Mass

4:00PM Mark & Catherine Perkovich, Eugene F. Shipanik,
Sheila Creghin, Zygmund Ulas

Sunday, April 19, 2026 Third Sunday of Easter

7:30AM Josef Sroka, Grace & Bob Perreault,
Dec. Members of Ugochukwu Family & Relations,
Providence Brencic

9:00AM Bill Devane, Michael & Marion Maher,
Lou Ann & Ray Jarolimek, Salvatore Spalla

10:30AM Patricia Senne, Bona E. Lee, Bruce Ann Churilla,
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We pray for members of our parish family who are homebound, or in hospitals, nursing homes, rehab centers and hospice. We also pray for their caregivers. This list will be frequently revised. We remember especially:

Phyllis Gruchot, Baby Stella, Kelly Bojan,
Josephine Cordell, Catherine Hoffman, Leroy Almanza



Rejoice! Alleluia! He is Risen!
This is the time we all celebrate Jesus.
We invite you to come and spend what
time you have with the Lord.

Jesus, Light of the World Adoration Chapel
Monday - Friday 8AM - 4PM at St. Linus

Friday, 5PM - 7PM at Our Lady of the Ridge Church

Divine Mercy Sunday ~ April 12

3:00pm ~ Holy Hour at St. Linus

Divine Mercy Challenge: This week, rejoice with someone who is newly alive in faith. If your own heart has grown skeptical or tired, ask Jesus to help you. He will. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

Congratulations to all who were received into full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil:



Ethan L. Blevins
Matthew Ryan Gates
Emily A. Georgou
Laura Jean Johnstone
Tia Marie Johnstone
Joshua Demetrius Littleton
Alexander Murray
Gavin T. Stanislawski
Kayden Stanislawski

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

How does Christ prove himself to Thomas? Not by his face or his words, but by his wounds. So, when we look for God to show Himself in relief or in triumph, we must remember the wounds of Christ. This is where we find our salvation. ©LPi

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Katherine Rossetti
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May your mercy flow over us,
filling our gaps and healing our wounds.
Open our hearts more deeply
with knowledge of your love for us,
understanding of the depth of your passion,
and trust in your never-ending mercy. Amen. ©LPi



Neighborhood News...

Mid-life Singles (mid 30s to 50s): REFLECT weekend retreat at Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL; **April 17-19**; Call **630-222-8303** or visit **www.ReflectRetreat.com** for more information.

Senior Bus: Chicago Ridge seniors can take the **FREE** village bus to Sunday Mass at OLOR; Visit the Village Hall or call **708-425-7700** to sign up.

Parish Support

TOTAL PARISH COLLECTION
Sunday, March 29, 2026

Envelopes/Loose:	\$19,102.53
E-Giving:	\$ 1,780.00
Total:	\$20,882.53

Women's Evening of Recollection

There will be an evening of recollection for women on **Thursday, April 16th** from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. in **St. Linus Church**. The evening will be given by a priest from Opus Dei. There will be short talks, Adoration, Benediction and Sacrament of Reconciliation. All women are welcome.

Pet Supply Drive

Our Young Vincentians will be collecting pet food and gently used pet supplies for local shelters and our food pantry families with pets. The collection will take place **Saturday, April 25th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** and on **Sunday April 26th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon**. Bring all donations to the St. Linus church parking lot. Thank you!



April 12 | Divine Mercy Sunday
April 15 | TAX DAY
April 17 | Pope Leo XIV — His Life and Times,
Oak Lawn Public Library, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

1st Reading

In the immediate aftermath of Jesus' resurrection and ascension, the community of believers in Jerusalem experienced much joy and harmony. In what ways do you help build up your faith community?

2nd Reading

With Jesus' resurrection from the dead, Peter can now speak of an inheritance that awaits all believers and will one day be revealed to us. How should knowledge of this upcoming gift impact our living in the present moment?

Gospel Reading

Thomas needed concrete evidence before he would believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. What convinces you that Jesus is risen and alive? ©LPi

From Fr. Mark's Desk:

Second Sunday of Easter: "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

I remember as a child that Sunday Mass would always be crowded. While I knew not everyone went to church, it was certainly common that people attended regularly. Over the course of my adult life, I saw those numbers diminish along with the number of vocations to priesthood and religious life. In 2020, the result of Covid decreased the number of church-goers even more. Over the past year, I have noticed numbers on the rise. And at the Easter Vigil, eight people were baptized, and one person was received into the church. It is said across the world, there is a renewed interest in the Catholic faith, especially among younger people. I imagine everyone has their own idea as to the reason for the rise. Seeking answers to eternal questions is in the heart of most people.

Ultimately, it is the Holy Spirit that infuses the hearts of the faithful, and there is no better place to encounter that infusion than through the Eucharist. By imparting the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, Jesus imparts it upon us all through the Church.

It is the risen Jesus who gifts us with the Holy Spirit. What is your experience of the risen Lord? For me, it is the realization that like on the road to Emmaus, Jesus is always by my side.

*"On the faithful, who adore and confess you, evermore,
In your sevenfold gift descend; Give them virtue's sure reward; Give them your salvation, Lord; Give them joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia!*

Happy Easter to all!

Fr. Mark Walter

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Friday: 9:00AM—3:00PM
Weekend: CLOSED

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE: (at St. Linus): Saturday, 4:00 PM;
Sunday, 7:30 AM and 10:30 AM
(at Our Lady of the Ridge): Sunday, 9:00 AM
(Our Lady of the Holy Land at OLOR): Sunday, 12:00PM
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 6:00 AM Communion Service (STL)
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 7:30 AM Mass (STL)
MONDAY: 8:30 AM Mass (OLOR)
WED. & FRI.: 8:30 AM Communion Service (OLOR)
HOLY DAYS: See the bulletin for Mass schedule.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Confession)
Saturday 12:00 to 1:00 PM in Saint Linus Church or by ap-
pointment.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Monday-Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM in Jesus, Light of the World
Adoration Chapel at St. Linus (enter from parking lot)
Friday evening from 5-7 PM in Our Lady of the Ridge Church

MARIAN DEVOTIONS: The Rosary
Each weekday after the 7:30 AM Mass at STL.
Each M-W-F at 7:45 AM before services at OLOR.

BAPTISM: Sunday
Our Lady of the Ridge after 9:00 AM Mass;
St. Linus at 1:30 PM;
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marriage celebration at least four months prior to the date.

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Tuesday evening from 6:30-8:00 PM at OLOR in the FFC.

SEEKING WISDOM PRAYER GROUP:
Reading a book and discussing it via ZOOM.

AA MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP:
Saturday morning at 10:00 AM in the FFC at OLOR
Sunday evening at 7:00 PM in the Cardiff Center at STL.
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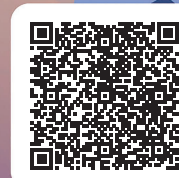
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