

St. Thomas

THE Apostle

CATHOLIC CHURCH



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
YEAR A
12 April 2026

This Week's Feasts:

Mon 13th Apr **St Martin I, Pope**
 Thurs 16th Apr **St Bernadette Soubirous**

Sanctuary Candle

Will burn this week in remembrance of
 Maree Collins & Wayne Johnson passed
 away 12 Apr 2020

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Masses and Devotions		
Sunday	7.30am	Mass
	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday	12.30pm	Mass
Wednesday	12.00pm	Rosary
	12.30pm	Mass (lunch in meeting room)
Thursday	12.30pm	Mass
Friday	11.30am	Eucharistic Adoration
	12.30pm	Mass
Saturday	5.00pm	Reconciliation
	5.30pm	Vigil Mass

Pope Leo XIV April Prayer Intention
For Priests in Crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and

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Entrance Antiphon(4 Esdras 2:36-37)

*Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God,
who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.*

First Reading (Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 117)

(R.) *Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.*

1. Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' **(R.)**
2. I was thrust, thrust down and falling
but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just. **(R.)**
3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **(R.)**

Second Reading (1 Peter 1:3-9)

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (John 20:29)

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel (John 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

‘Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.’

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, ‘We have seen the Lord’, he answered, ‘Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.’ Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. ‘Peace be with you’ he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.’ Thomas replied, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him:

‘You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.’

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon (Cf John 20:27)

*Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.*

NEWS & EVENTS

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please return your Project Compassion envelopes and boxes before the end of April so that we can arrange for them to be delivered.

ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM:

Our parish relies on your generosity. You’re invited to join the St Thomas’ Planned Giving Programme through: • Weekly envelopes • Direct debit • Bank transfer (**First Collection:** BSB:086006 ACC:773078600, **Second Collection:** BSB:086006 ACC:458537432)

Next weekend’s readings **Third Sunday of Easter, Year A**

Acts of the Apostles 2:14,22-23, Psalm 15, 1 Peter 1:17-21, Luke 24:13-35