

Welcome

To our communities of faith

Our Divine Saviour Catholic Church

12th Street and Love Avenue
Tifton, GA

and

St. Ann Catholic Church

U.S. Highway 82 East
Alapaha, GA

**Divine Mercy Sunday
April 11, 2021**

**Pastor
Rev. Peter Oyenugba, MSP**

**Deacon
J. Brian Bergeron
Deacon
Eric Windmoller**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love
is everlasting.
Psalm 118



*The gospel is John's description of
the first appearance of Jesus since
the resurrection.*

*In the first appearance, Jesus gives
the disciples peace and joy and
breathes new life into them,
bestowing on them the gift of the
Holy Spirit.*

*In the second appearance, Jesus
appears to Thomas and by showing
his wounds he gives Thomas the
evidence he needs to believe.*

Our Divine Savior

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**Any new parishioners who would like to register,
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Requests for Prayers

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**Please pray for the sick
and those who have
requested our prayers:**

Allison Brannan, Rachel Brantley, James Brown, Brady, Carol Budnick, Erica Carroll, Mary Carroll, Tommy Carroll, Sean Winn Carampatan, Margarie D’Souva, Tina DeWees, Anne Marie Emanuelli, Carlos & Carrie Fletcher, Lauren Marie Fletcher, Judy Fraelich, Rodolfo Hernandez-Labastida, Wayne Harrell, Chloe Kendrick, David LaForest, Isaac Lindsey, Randy Long, Raeligh Jane McCartha, Andrew Meredith, Susana Melgar, Butch Parker, Charles Phenicie, Miller Blake Prostko, Nancy Quynn, Marian Robinson, Rosalie Rohrer, Arlene Ruse, Josephine Sehranski, Marlana Smith, Sterling Saunders, Robbi Scarbrough, Wayne Scarbrough, John B. Sherlock, Kaylon Spurlock, Jennifer Unis , Dowson Bedore , Debra Vazquez, Sonia Webb

**Please Pray for our
Military:**

Anthony Caucci, Jonathan Elder, Clayton F. Gibbs, Terry Jones, James Olands, Angel Olivos, Bong Tanesco, Aurelio Tovar, Gregory Camargo, Michael Gibbons, Jackson Bergeron, Marquis Smith

April 11, 2021

Divine Mercy Sunday

Readings:

Acts 4:32-35
1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31

Theme:

Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe.

Question of the week:

What strengthens your faith? Why do you believe in Jesus?

April 18, 2021

**Third Sunday of
EASTER**

Readings:

Acts 3:13-15
1 John 2:1-5
Luke 24:35-48

Theme:

Being able to see the Risen Christ.

Question of the Week:

When have you had a “Aha” moment, when you suddenly realized that God was with you?

Announcements April 10-11, 2021

Clear the Cabinet SALE!

CCW is cleaning out the religious items cabinet in the Social Hall to make room for new merchandise. The sale will be set up outside near the St. Francis statue on Saturday, April 17 before and after the English mass and before the Spanish mass, and Sunday April 18 before and after the English mass. In case of rain, it will be in the Social Hall.

All items will be 50-75% off and more!

Volunteers Needed:

Volunteers needed to help keep everyone safe. A few volunteers are needed after each mass to help with the wiping of the pews. The more hands we have, the quicker we will finish. Thank you for helping.

Annual Catholic Appeal:

Thank you for your donation or for your pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal. The latest update (March 25) indicates that 65 donors have so far given \$12,960. If everyone who pledged honors their pledge, that will push out total to \$15,244 which is still almost \$10,000 short of our goal. Some of the gifts given, were given anonymously, but if all 65 donors had indicated that they were from our parish, that is still less than 30% of our membership. If you haven't yet given or if you find you can give more, you can find envelopes for that purpose in the vestibule. They are printed with "Steadfast in Faith" or Firmes en la Fe." Please indicate that you are from Our Divine Saviour parish if you mail your gift directly to the diocese. You can also put the envelope in any offertory collection. Thank you once again to those who have given.

Communion Service:

There will be Communion Service next week instead of Daily Mass on Tuesday, April 13th thru Friday April 16th at Our Divine Saviour.

Dear Padre

April 11, 2021

I get a lot of questions from Protestant friends about the Catholic "obsession" (as they put it) with Mary. What should I say to them?

A convert to Catholicism tells the story of a dinner he had with a friend who had a very evangelical outlook. As they talked about the new Catholic's decision to convert, the friend asked hesitantly, "What do you think about Mary?" The new Catholic smiled and said, "I think she's wonderful, don't you?" The friend responded with an embarrassed "Yes, but...."

If Catholics and Protestants can begin with this premise—that Mary is wonderful—it might be possible to step back and consider why. Mary is an extraordinary human being who holds a special place in the Christian faith for two reasons: first, it was through her that God became flesh in the person of Jesus Christ; and second, she was the first to believe in Jesus' mission and ministry.

All Catholic doctrine about Mary refers to two special relationships. She has a special relationship with God because she bore the "God-man" in her womb. She also has a special relationship with us because she was the first Christian.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR

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EVENTS of the WEEK:

Saturday, April 10

2nd Collection: ODS Building Fund

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 5:00 pm
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 11

2nd Collection: ODS Building Fund

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 9:00 am
Mass at St. Ann [+Annette Nugent: 11:15 am
(Elle Mae Nugent)]
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 1:30 pm
Divine Mercy Sunday Concert ODS: 4:00 pm

Monday, April 12

NO Mass at ODS

Tuesday, April 13

Communion Service at ODS: 5:30 pm

Wednesday, April 14

Communion Service at ODS: 8:00 am

Thursday, April 15

Communion Service at ODS: 8:00 am

Friday, April 16

Communion Service at ODS: 5:30 pm

Saturday, April 17

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 5:00 pm
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 18

Mass at ODS [+Charles Dillehay: 9:00 am
(Ken & Margo Martin)]
Mass at St. Ann (For St. Ann Parishioners): 1:15 am
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 1:30 pm

Good News!

April 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) (B)

Acts 4:32–35; 1 Jn 5:1–6; Jn 20:19–31

I Want Proof. Who doesn't? It's not simply that we are children of the scientific age in which proof is essential. Concrete evidence gives us a sense of security; it helps us understand how things work. Even in ordinary human relationships, we want proof. A tune from My Fair Lady demands: "Don't talk of love... show me." It's very difficult to live without a certain degree of surety. Consequently, we should not be surprised at Thomas' insistence: "I want proof."

Thomas is often described as lacking faith. This isn't the full story. The reason the other disciples believed was because they had an experience of the risen Lord. Before that experience they were hiding behind locked doors. Thomas was absent; we are not told why. Whatever the reason, he also wanted an experience of the risen Lord. He was not content to base his believing on their word alone. In a sense, more was being asked of Thomas than the others.

Thomas is the patron of all of us whose faith in the risen Lord is based on the word of others rather than on our own unique revelatory experience. Who of us wouldn't want some mystical experience? We are called to believe without seeing. Yet, this isn't strictly true—we can see evidence of the resurrection. The best proof is evident in the lives of millions of people who commit themselves to God and who strive to live with integrity.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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Protecting Our Youth:

Diocesan policy requires all diocesan Adult employees and volunteers who minister to the youth of the diocese attend VIRTUS (safe environment) awareness training undergo a background check, and read and sign the Diocesan "Code of conduct for working with minors" prior to commencing their ministry. The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, toll free reporting hotline: (888) 357-5530.



FEATURING
TAYLOR
TRIPODI

Divine Mercy Concert

Please join us for an hour of prayer through song. Come and open your heart and allow God to speak to you. As a family of faith, let us experience God's Mercy with gratitude.

In some way all of us have been touched in a negative way by this pandemic. What a great way to emerge from it; together in prayer. Let us come out of this stronger than ever in our faith. We may have been shut down in many ways, but God has never and will never abandon us. There is no better way to reconnect as a parish than through prayer. Come as you are and worship with your Church family. We need you, miss you, and would love to see you.

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4 PM

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Taylor Tripodi from Cleveland, Ohio is on a mission to put people in an encounter with Christ through true, good, and beautiful music. After serving the Church for 2 years as a youth minister, her desire to bring hope to broken, hurting souls has led her to become a full-time musician, singer-songwriter, and worship leader. Taylor's music and ministry has led her all around the world, most recently leading worship in the Holy Land in Israel. This past year she was named one of the top 30 Catholic artists in the world. In her spare time, she writes blogs for Ascension Press and loves spending time with her 8 younger siblings and her big, Italian family. Taylor presently resides in Nashville, TN.