



WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2A, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15 (261)

TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Jn 20:11-18 (262)

WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35 (263)

THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2AB, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48 (264)

FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27A; Jn 21:1-14 (265)

SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118-1, 14-15AB, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15 (266)

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY Color: White

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31 (44)

PASTORAL CARE

Send a card, make a call, visit and always pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are ill, including...

SICK & HOMEBOUND: Bernie Angeles, Clarence Banks, Jr., Shirley Bailey, Sharon Barnes, Mary Barnwell, Annie Belardo, Barbara Bryant, Francine Bryant, Marion Bullock, Brenda Cannon, Matthew Cherry, Virginia Cook, Maria Davila, Ashley Womack Dixon, Vincent C. Eason, Jr., Kenneth Givens, Etisha Goode, Derrick Graves, Thado Greene, Randall Griggs, Virginia Griggs, Freda Harrington, Ernest Humphries, Jr., Joan Jones, Martha Jones, William Mann, Antonell McGlone, Harvey Nash, Pauline Nash, Vincent "Bubba" Newby, Wendell Paige, Evelyn Proctor, Dorothy Sharp, Faye Shaw, John

Ward, Charles Williams, Rosie Woodis

Friends of the Basilica:

Albert Aquino, Bertha Adams, Kenneth Balbuena, Jean-Claude Condimine, Lamar Cuffee, Rebecca Clark, Claudia Hawkins, Joseph Jackson, Christine Jordan, Marie Kelly, Raymond Mercer, Paul Pruden, Doris Wade, Therace Meehan, Chassidy Moore, Bernadette McClain, Patie Neunz, Lindwood Washington, Jr., Karen Woodbury, Brenda Speller, Philip Ashton



NURSING HOME/REHAB:

Katherine Morris, Sentara Assisted Living, #410A

Norris Phillips, Georgian Manor, River Walk

Emily Ponton, Elizabeth Allen Crump Rehab, Glen Allen, VA, Rm 12B

Kema Rodgers, Sentara Rehab Newtown

TO PLACE NAMES ON THE PRAYER LIST:

Call the Church Office, 757-622-4487.

TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME: Contact Pastoral Care Team

Tom Bomar, 757-461-1053 or 757-692-8347

Cindy Williams, 757-849-929



EASTER SUNDAY

On this greatest day of the year, all fasting and somber thoughts are banished.
As St. John Chrysostom announces in this famous Easter sermon,
all are invited to the feast:

*"Let all then enter the joy of Our Lord! Both the first and the last,
and those who come after, enjoy your reward!
Rich and poor, dance with one another, sober and slothful, celebrate the day.
Those who have kept the fast and those who have not,
rejoice today, for the table is richly spread. Fare royally upon it-the calf is a fatted one.
Let no one go away hungry. All of you, enjoy the banquet of faith!
All enjoy the riches of His goodness.
Let no one cry over his poverty, for the universal Kingdom has appeared!
Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again,
for forgiveness has risen from the grave.
Let none fear death, for the death of our Savior has set us free.
He has destroyed it by enduring it.
He spoiled the power of hell when he descended thereto. Isaiah foretold this when he cried,
'Death has been frustrated in meeting him below!' It is frustrated,
for it is destroyed. It is frustrated, for it is annihilated.
It is frustrated, for now it is made captive. For it grabbed a body and discovered God.
It took earth and behold! It encountered Heaven.
It took what was visible, and was overcome by what was invisible.
O Death, where is your sting?
O Death, where is your victory?
Christ is risen, and the demons are cast down.
Christ is risen, and life is set free.
Christ is risen, and the tomb is emptied of the dead.
For Christ, having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits for those who sleep.
to Him be glory and power forever and ever!
Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"*





DYNAMIC DEACON ADDRESSES ADULTS, YOUTH AT TWO EVENTS



Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, known as the “Dynamic Deacon,” is a sought-after speaker in the Church today. He is a powerful and passionate evangelist and preacher. He co-hosts the weekly broadcast, “Living Stones,” on Mater Dei Radio. Deacon Harold is featured on the award winning *Chosen* faith formation program by Ascension Press and the author of the best-selling book, *Behold the Man: A Catholic Vision of Male Spirituality* published by Ignatius Press, and co-author of the acclaimed new book, *Ignite: Read the Bible Like Never Before*. Deacon Harold is also featured on *The Greatest Commandments: A 40-Week Spiritual Journey for Married Couples*, a vibrant marriage-enrichment program rooted in biblical values and designed to help husbands and wives know God better, trust Him fully and love Him completely throughout the course of their married lives.

Adult Event

Saturday, April 21, 6:30 p.m.

Church of the Ascension

4835 Princess Anne Road, Virginia Beach



Youth Regional Event

Sunday, April 22, 6 to 9 p.m.

Cost \$7.00

Bishop Sullivan High School, Va. Beach

Contact Ricardo Givens for registration at ricardogivens@gmail.com or 757-567-5865

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR EASTER WEEK

- The Church Office will be closed April 2-6.
- The Food Pantry will be closed April 2-6.
- There will be no Daily Mass during the week.
- Father Tim Kuhneman will be our celebrant for Masses during the weekend of April 7-8.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

Don't miss the next meeting of the Ministry of Consolation meeting.

Next Monthly Meeting

April 28, 3 p.m.

St. Joseph's Chapel

NEXT WEEK: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

You are personally invited to join in the special celebration.

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration

Sunday, April 8

St. Matthew

3314 Sandra Lane, Virginia Beach

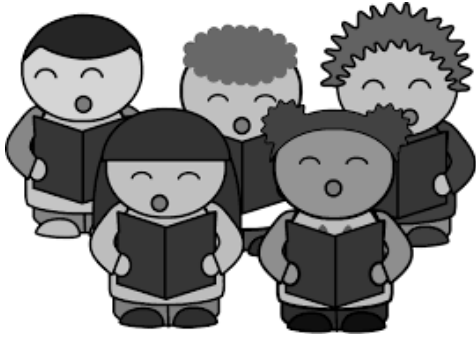
The schedule is as follows:

- **Reception and Film** on the Original Divine Mercy Image, 1:15 p.m. in Assembly Hall.
- **Confessions** in the church, 2 p.m.
- **Divine Mercy Holy Hour**, Benediction, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, 3 p.m.

The Feast of Divine Mercy was formally instituted on April 30, 2000 by Saint John Paul II and is celebrated annually throughout the world on the Sunday following Easter Sunday. For more information, please visit www.saintmatts.net



**DO YOU LOVE TO SING?
JOIN THE EXCITEMENT OF THE
BASILICA YOUTH CHOIR**



A BIG MINISTRY FOR OUR SMALLEST VOICES

Ages 6-17

Rehearsals:

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. to noon (dates TBA)

Choir members serve every 5th Sunday
at 9 a.m. Mass.

For more information, contact:

Cerice Logan, 289-1441

ReVae Goodwyn, 761-8142



**YOUTH MINISTRY HELPS
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Teens from the Basilica volunteered to help served fish during a Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

The Basilica Men's Prayer Group is designed to bring all men (18 and older) of our church together in time and space to worship and pray.

**First and Third Sunday of each month
8 a.m. to 8:55 a.m.**

Room 202, Religious Education Center

JOURNEY FROM ST. JOSEPH'S

Sunday, April 22, 5 p.m.

Grand Affairs

2035 Pleasure House Road, Virginia Beach

\$125 per couple

\$75 per person

Women's Ministry members will be selling tickets after the Masses or you can call 757-427-5765.

**FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS AT
ST. MARY'S HEALTH FAIR**

Bring family and friends for a wonderful day and get a health check at the same time.

Tidewater Park Elementary

Saturday, April 14

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Free Health Screenings

Lions Club Eye Exam Van

Food Demonstrations

Line Dancing

Entertainment

For more information,
contact Hermione
Everett, 757-543-5690;
or Deborah Hunt, 757-
536-6555.

