

Daily Message from Msgr. Dennis...

Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19, 2020

Readings: Acts 2:42-42; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Dear Parishioners:

Ok – so this is late today. Hey! It's Sunday. Chill! ☺



We livestreamed Mass at 10:00 a.m. this morning and I hope you had the opportunity to take advantage of it. We will do this every Sunday until we are allowed to gather again. As for when that will happen, no one knows at this point. However, please be smart. Please be Christian. Be smart in listening to what we are told by the medical more than the political authorities about social distancing, wearing face masks in public, washing hands, staying home unless absolutely necessary and staying safe. We are not out of the woods with this virus and if we are not careful what little progress we have made in overcoming it can be quickly destroyed. Be Christian – by remembering every single person on the planet has been adversely affected by the virus. Though you might feel inconvenienced, we are all inconvenienced and we are all in this together. Be Christian by thinking about others and how your actions will affect those with whom you come into contact.

We depend on God's merciful love at all times in our lives. Divine Mercy is what gives us HOPE even during the dark times when we wonder if we can simply carry on. Hope is what inspired the martyrs. Hope is what inspires our persecuted brother and sister Christians today. Hope is what encourages to look forward to tomorrow and not be stuck in yesterday or bogged down today. Remember the encouragement of St. Junipero Serra. When things looked bleak for him and his work to establish the missions in California his motto was : "Siempre Adelante;" "Always go forward!" That was a motto born of HOPE infused into him by the power of the Holy Spirit. That same Holy Spirit is with us today filling us with Hope so that we can say with Christian determination: "Siempre Adelante!"

A Little Humor: Impossibilities in the world:

- You can't count your hair
- You can't wash your eyes with soap
- You can't breathe through your nose when your tongue is out.
- Alright, put your tongue back in your mouth, you silly person!

Ten Things I know about you.

1. You are reading this.
2. You are human.
3. You can't say the letter "P" without separating your lips.
4. You just attempted to do it
- 6) You are laughing at yourself.
- 7) You have a smile on your face and you skipped No. 5
- 8) You just checked to see if there is a No. 5.
- 9) You laugh at this because you are a fun loving person and everyone does it too.
- 10) You are probably going to send this to see who else falls for it.

I told you all of this because I didn't want to be alone in the idiot category!

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