Jesus said to Thomas, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

John 20:29
Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)  
April 8, 2018
Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?  
— 1 John 5:5

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — The community of believers was of one heart and mind (Acts 4:32-35).
Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).
Second Reading — Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God (1 John 5:1-6).
Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. (John 20:19-31).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday:  Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 42, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday:  Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy); Julian Calendar Easter
Monday:  The Annunciation of the Lord
Wednesday: St. Stanislaus
Thursday: Yom Ha-Shoa (Holocaust Remembrance Day)
Friday: St. Martin I

PARISH SUMMARY REPORT  4/1/2018  3/26/2017
No. of Envelopes 274  159
Sunday Collection total $ 11,913.17    $4,828.00
YTD Ordinary Income $ 80,175.34 $ 82,754.15
Surplus/(Deficit)  ( $ 2,578.81)

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND
Today, our Second collection is for our Church Building & Maintenance Fund. Your generosity is appreciated.

HOLY NAME LADIES AID COLLECTION
Next Sunday, members of the Holy Name Ladies Aid will be collecting for the needy in the Parish. Boxes will be by the exits.

TAX LETTER REQUEST
IF YOU WOULD LIKE A COPY OF YOUR 2017 CHURCH DONATIONS FOR TAX PURPOSES, KINDLY REQUEST A COPY BY CALLING THE CHURCH OFFICE AT (415) 664-8590.

EVERYTHING
God, of your goodness give me myself, for you are enough for me. And only in do I have everything.  
—St. Julian of Norwich
Vincent MacEvilly who passed away on Holy Wednesday. Vince was a Knight of Holy Name and an ardent advocate of priestly vocations. He was greatly involved in the promotion for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. I still remember how he was previously helping a seminarian, who is now a priest.

Indeed, we need more vocations to the priesthood. This Saturday, April 7, 2018, three of the seminarians studying for our Archdiocese will be ordained as Transitional Deacons at St. Pius Church in Redwood City. The future priests are: Kyle J. Faller, Ernesto M. Jandorero and Michael P. Rocha. Unfortunately, we don’t have any candidates for Priest Ordination this year. However, we have an Episcopal ordination for our newly appointed Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco, Bishop-elect Robert Christian, O.P.

Bishop-elect Christian is a Friar of the Western Dominican Province and currently serves as Master of Students of the province. He is a native of San Francisco, raised in St. Brendan Parish and attended St. Brendan and St. Vincent de Paul grammar schools. In 1966 he graduated from St. Ignatius High School and from Santa Clara University in 1970. That year he entered the Dominican Novitiate in Oakland and was ordained in 1976 at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral in Oakland. He has a doctorate degree in Theology from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (The Angelicum) in Rome and has long been a professor in Theology. He is presently a consultant to the Pontifical Council for Christian Unity and a member of the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission. His Episcopal ordination is planned to take place at St. Mary’s Cathedral by the beginning of summer.

Bishop-elect Christian is 69 years old and that means he has only 6 years to serve as a bishop before a bishop’s mandatory resignation at the age of 75. A priest may retire at the age of 70. But for Bishop-elect Christian, his ministry continues.

After the Holy Week, our work also continues. We have repaired our sidewalk in front of the church that has been an accident-prone walkway. We also have to continue some work and repairs at the rectory. We never run out of work, I hope we will never run out of money either. Thanks to the surplus of the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2017, we are able to do all this work.

I’m glad we don’t have snow during the winter. In the Midwest, they say, there are only two seasons: Winter and Construction.

On this Feast of the Divine Mercy I say: “God Bless you.” It is not simply an expression. God bless you is a short prayer that means: “May the LORD JESUS in His Goodness, Mercy and Favor give you more than what you deserve, more than what you expect and more than what you pray for”.

Next FIL-AM Club Meeting: Friday, April 20, 2018, Flanagan Center at 7 PM

BLESSED DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

“The choice of the first Sunday after Easter for the feast of Mercy has a very deep theological significance. It points to the close relationship between the Paschal Mystery of our Redemption and the mystery of the Divine Mercy. The integral relationship is further emphasized by the novena of chaplets to the Divine Mercy which begins on Good Friday as a preparation for the feast. This Feast is not only a day in particular for worshipping God in His mystery of mercy, but also a time of grace for all people."

“Rise Up! Levantate! Hay Dung Len!” This is the resounding theme of this year’s LA Religious Education Congress, an annual international gathering of Educators of the Faith, organized by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Thanks to Fr. Arnold, three of us were sent to experience this great event of the Church. I was with Fr. Simon and Hilda Dela Cruz. We chose the following workshops and conferences, because of the teachings that will enhance our ministries here in our parish: 1) Rising Up to the Adult Challenge within the Gospels by Fr. Ronald Rolheiser; 2) Have You Seen Him? Searching for the Child Jesus, by Fr. Tony Ricards; 3) Thinking Bigger: The Truth About Modern Evangelization; 4) Evangelization Through Beauty by Bishop Robert Barron; 5) Encounter: From the Heart of Pope Francis, by Tony Alonso and Jeanne Cotter; 6) Ways of New Evangelization in Asia, by Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle of Manila; 7) Persecution of Christian in the World Today, by John Allen; 8) The Historical Jesus, by Fr. James Martin, SJ. It has been an enriching experience to be part of 40,000 participants, all wanting to profess, proclaim, witness our faith in the Resurrection. We enjoyed the celebration of various liturgies expressed by different cultures, in songs, dances, and many languages. Next year’s Congress will be on March 21-24, 2019, at the Anaheim Convention Center. We look forward to have a larger representation from our parish. Mark your calendar and think about it!

A Morning Presentation by Sr. Toni Lynn Gallagher, RSM for Parish Volunteers Wednesdays, April 25, 10:00AM-12:00Noon in the Flanagan Center. This is organized by Holy Name Grief and Consolation Ministry. Reserve your place with Sr. Cristina. Adult Faith Formation Spring 2018 Series will use the impressive study program “Epic: A Journey Through Church History”. It seeks to fill an urgent need for adult Catholics to recover their history as a believing community, debunk false criticism of their Church, and understand the Christian underpinnings of the modern world. It is a vivid, thorough and engaging program. (Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap). Each session is divided into the following parts: 1) Establishing the context; 2) Watching a DVD; 3) Discussion with guide questions; 4) Application; 5) Wrap-up. It will be on Thursdays, May 10, 17, 24, 31, June 7, 14; at 7:00-8:30PM in the Pastoral Center. Sr. Cristina will facilitate the program.

RCICY and Religious Education Continue every Sunday, at 10:30AM-12N in the Pastoral Center, until May 20, 2018.
The earliest Christian community focused strongly on the wounds of the Risen Lord for two reasons: to affirm the fact that Christ, now raised from the dead was the same person who had lived with them; and to make sense of the physical wounds being inflicted on them for Christ’s sake.

The story of Thomas, even with its mystical details, counters a magical notion of what the resurrection is about. Jesus bears the marks of his torture and death. His glorified body, though different, is connected to how the disciples knew and loved him. They can recognize him through his words and his wounds.

We know the community of Ephesus, for which this Gospel is written, was experiencing great persecution. Is it any wonder, one generation after the earliest disciples, that the sign of Christ’s Risen presence are his marks of suffering?

Our own world continues to be intrigued by manifestations of Jesus’ wounds. Over recent years films like Stigmata, Dogma, Agnes of God and even the appalling Daredevil give a hysterical and cynical prominence to the stigmata. There are regular “believe it or not” documentaries that usually follow suit. Even some pilgrims flocked to Padre Pio’s monastery in the south of Italy to see if his hands really bled, or if his wounds really wept. This desire to see outward signs of inner faith is a long way short of Jesus telling us today, “Happy are those who believe without seeing.”

Our day-to-day lives should be the clearest manifestation of the cross and resurrection of Christ.

It seems, however, that words and wounds still make a claim on us today. You and I know that we don’t have to go to a stigmatic to see Christian battle wounds. We carry within us the death of the Lord. We all have our wounds. And we also know that, for many of us, it is precisely when we are wounded most deeply by life, that our doubts in the presence of God can be greatest.

The Easter story is not that we should be ashamed of this, or pretend it doesn’t happen. Today’s Gospel reminds us that it is into this chaos that Christ comes with words of peace, with empathy from the one who was wounded for our sake and with the mission to forgive as we are forgiven.

Years ago I remember struggling with some personal issues during a retreat. One day, when I felt lowest about myself, the retreat director, adapting today’s psalm, 118, said to me, “you realize that the stone rejected by the builder becomes the corner stone.” By this he meant that often God takes that part of ourselves we don’t like, forgives it, heals it, and uses it most powerfully to demonstrate that the pattern of the life, death, and resurrection of Christ continues in all believers who bear his name and carry his wounds.

And that’s what happened to Thomas. Christ took his fears, doubts, and disbelief and transformed them into a powerful Christian witness that has sustained generations of us who struggle with life and faith.

So at this Easter Eucharist we are offered the same opportunity to discover that the stone rejected within us, or among us, is the one which God wants to use as the cornerstone. When we see this happening, when we see God taking the part of us we consider most unlovable and using it for good, then we want to cry out with the psalmist, “This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.”

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Archdiocese of San Francisco
ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2018
Thank you to all who have already sent in their generous donation to the 2018 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. I humbly ask those of you who have yet to participate in the Annual Appeal to do so soon. You may want to consider a donation of $600.00 (or more) which qualifies you for the 1% Club. All 1% Club Donors for the 2018 Annual Appeal will be treated to a catered Thank You Dinner around September, 2018. For about the cost of a cup of Starbucks Coffee per day, you could contribute $600 per year or more to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal to aid the work of the Church and to minister to all those supported by these services and agencies.

You may use the brochures available on the pews or at the back of the Church for your donation or simply send in your donation check (made payable to diocesan Annual Appeal 2018), and mail or drop it off to: Holy Name of Jesus Parish, 1555 39th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122

For More Information regarding the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal:
Please contact the parish office at (415)664-8590 or the Archdiocesan Office of Development at (415) 614-5580 development@sfarchdiocese.org

Update: As of 4/08/2018, we have received $26,165.00—we still need $39,972 to reach our goal of $ 66,137.00

DON’T FORGET
Saturday, April 14, 2018 8:30 AM
2:30 PM in Flanagan Center
Fr. Francis Ching’s Post-Easter Retreat
LIVE OUT THE WILL OF GOD
For more information contact: Veronica Wong at jveronicaw@gmail.com or (415) 810-4597 or Nelson Lao at Laonn_sf@yahoo.com or (415) 260-8485

HOLY NAME TREE OF LIFE
The Holy Name Tree of Life is a bronze tree trunk with approximately 400 leaves. It is located at the back of the church. Donations to the Tree of Life go towards a much needed Capital Improvement Fund. Each leaf costs $500 with a $25 engraving charge. We suggest a maximum number of characters to 5 lines, up to 25 characters per line including spaces. Leaf color choices are gold, silver or bronze.

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MARRIED COUPLES.
Give your marriage a well deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is May 18-20, 2018 in San Jose. For more information visit our website sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Clarann at 408-782-1413.

HOLY NAME WEEKLY CALENDAR
Week of April 8, 2018

Sunday, April 8, 2018
10:30 AM Religious Education Pastoral Center
1:00 PM Lay Canossians Meeting Flanagan Center

Monday, April 9, 2018
10:00 AM Line Dancing Flanagan Center
1:00 PM Sewing Group Pastoral Center
2:00 PM Knitting & Crochet Group Pastoral Center
7:30 PM SVDP Meeting Pastoral Center

Tuesday, April 10, 2018
9:30 AM C/E Class Pastoral Center
10:00 AM Lectio Divina Pastoral Center

Wednesday, April 11, 2018
7:00 PM RCIA Pastoral Center
7:30 PM Chinese Bible Study Flanagan Center

Thursday, April 12, 2018
11:00 AM Senior Club Flanagan Center
6:00 PM HN Cub Scout Meeting Flanagan Center
7:00 PM Faith Formation Spring Series Pastoral Center

Saturday, April 14, 2018
8:30 AM Post Easter Retreat Flanagan Center
10:30 AM Pre-Baptismal Class Pastoral Center
1:00 PM Chinese RCIA Green Room
2:30 PM Chinese Social Flanagan Center
3:00 PM Chinese Mass Church

THANK YOU
Thank you to Noreen Chan, Emy Reyes, Ramsey and Nenette Ramos and family, and all who prepared and organized the Easter Egg Hunt last Easter Sunday.

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**E-MAIL:** hparishsecretary@gmail.com

- Rev. Arnold E. Zamora, Pastor  
- Rev. Xishou “Simon” Jin, Parochial Vicar/Director of Chinese Ministry  
- Most Rev. Ignatius C. Wang, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of San Francisco, In Residence

**Sr. Cristina Ovejera, FdCC, Pastoral Associate**  
**Jackie C. Alcaraz, Parish Manager**  
**Director/Holy Name Conservatory of Music**  
**Colleen A. Durkin, Parish Secretary**  
**Carol Elliott Maloof RN, Parish Nurse**

**Holy Name Conservatory of Music**

Private lessons are offered in piano, voice, guitar, violin and viola. To register or more information please contact Jackie at (415) 664-8590.

**RECTORY:** 3240 Lawton St. San Francisco, CA 94122  
**HOLY NAME PRESCHOOL:** (415) 664-4753  
**HOLY NAME CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC**

Website: www.holynamesf.com  
**Alice Ho Seher, Preschool Director**  
**Preschool Director**

**Holy Days:** 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, and 7:00 PM  
**Weekdays:** 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM  
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- Sacred Heart of Jesus Devotions:
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**Holy Name Ladies Aid**

- Every 1st Wednesday of the Month at 7:30 AM, Flanagan Center

**Parish Pastoral Council:** contact Fr. Arnold Zamora

**Parish Mission Statement**

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH SAN FRANCISCO is a welcoming multicultural and liturgical community that celebrates our Christian Faith. In the spirit of the “Joy of the Gospel” we work together promoting Catholic values and teachings.

Our parish encourages a strong devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary, who gives us an example of faithful discipleship and a generous stewardship way of life.

**Parish Nurse Program:** Carol, R.N. (415) 664-8590 ext. 109

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### Schedule of Masses

- **Sunday:** 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM (Family Mass), 11:30 AM  
- **Saturday:** 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM (Chinese), 5:00 PM (Vigil)  
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**First Saturday Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary begins at 8:30 AM with the Rosary, then Mass & Benediction**

**Baptisms by appointment**

Baptismal Preparation—Every 2nd Saturday of the month in the Pastoral Center - 10:30 AM—You need to register for the class ahead of time.

**Baptism Ministry (Sewing Group):** Every Monday 1-3 PM in the Pastoral Center Event Room

**Marriages:**

Contact Pastoral Center 6 months in advance.  
- Sundays 12:30-2:30 PM, Flanagan Center  
- R.C.I.A. (Chinese):  
  - Every Saturday—Green Room—1:30 PM  
  - Lectio Divina: Tuesday 10—11 AM (Pastoral Center)

**Bible Study Group (Chinese):**

- Every Wednesday—7:30 PM — Flanagan Center

**Parish Pastoral Council:** contact Fr. Arnold Zamora

St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting—every Monday at 7:30 PM (Pastoral Center)

**Holy Name Ladies Aid:** every 1st Wednesday of the Month at 11:45 AM (Pastoral Center)

**Senior Club:** every Thursday at 10:30 AM (Flanagan Ctr.)

**FIL-AM Club:** Every 3rd Friday of the month, 7pm in the Flanagan Center.

**HOLY NAME Choir Practice:** every WEDNESDAY at 6:00 PM in the Pastoral Center

**The Gabriel Project:** Contact Rose Tang (415)793-0967

**Youth Ministry:** One designated Saturday a month 5 PM—7:30 PM

**Blood Pressure Screening:** every 2nd Wednesday from after the 7:30 AM Mass until 11 AM (Pastoral Center)

**Exempt July & August**

**Hospitality:** Every Wednesday after the 7:30 AM and 9 AM Masses in the Pastoral Center except July & August