

Universal Prayer
Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy
April 7 & 8

We pray in communion with the Church for the monthly intention of Pope Francis. That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths of fruitful development.

We pray that all newly baptized and initiated Catholics will enrich the Church with their gifts, and further the work of bringing others to Christ.

We pray that people throughout the world will share the blessings of God's creation with all, especially the poor and those areas of the world lacking necessities.

We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide all people who struggle with doubt in their faith journey, easing the hardness of their hearts to recognize the presence of God in their lives.

We pray that the divine mercy of our Risen Savior will draw all sinners to the fountain of repentance, forgiveness, and healing.

We pray for the second grade students who will receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time **this weekend/today**. May they always grow in devotion and understanding of the Eucharist as nourishment for eternal life.

We pray that all of us will open our eyes to the poverty that exists in our own community, and care for those individuals and families who need our support.

We pray that all the souls of the faithful departed will share in Christ's victory over death...

5:00 ...and for **Ted, Stephanie and James Bohnak** who is remembered in this Mass.

8:30 ...and for **Irmine Jurgensmeyer** who is remembered in this Mass.