

# Family Liturgy

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

24th April, 2022



### PREPARATION

Set up your sacred space. Place a white cloth, cross, bible and candle.

Add any other symbols relevant to your family.

Light the candle or use a battery operated candle for safety.



### GATHER

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

### COLLECT

We give you thanks Lord God, with joy filled hearts at the coming of the risen Jesus.

### GOSPEL

#### A reading from the gospel according to John (20: 19-29)

The disciples were afraid of the Jewish leaders, and on the evening of that same Sunday they locked themselves in a room. Suddenly, Jesus appeared in the middle of the group. He greeted them and showed them his hands and his side. When the disciples saw the Lord, they became very happy.

After Jesus had greeted them again, he said, "I am sending you, just as the Father has sent me." Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, they will be forgiven. But if you don't forgive sins, they will not be forgiven."

Although Thomas the Twin was one of the twelve disciples, he was not with the others when Jesus appeared to them. So they told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But Thomas said, "First, I must see the nail scars in his hands and touch them with my finger. I must put my hand where the spear went into his side. I won't believe unless I do this!"

A week later the disciples were together again. This time Thomas was with them. Jesus came in while the doors were still locked and stood in the middle of the group. He greeted the disciples and said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and look at my hands! Put your hand into my side. Stop doubting and have faith!"

Thomas replied, "You are my Lord and my God!"

Jesus said, "Thomas, do you have faith because you have seen me? The people who have faith in me without seeing me are the ones who are really blessed!"

### The gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



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### REFLECT

I wonder why Jesus came to visit his disciples...

I wonder how Thomas felt when Jesus spoke to him...

I wonder why Jesus said, 'the people who have faith in me without seeing me are the ones who are really blessed'...

### UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Ponder and think about what has happened this week for our family.

Bring these things to mind. Offer up any special intentions or prayers aloud or in our hearts.

Pray **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### DISMISSAL

May God bless us and protect us, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### ENDING SONG

Nothing to Fear (feat. Audrey Assad)

#### ACTIVITIES

- Prayer journal: Write a prayer to Jesus
- Colouring in: Doubting Thomas
- Create a diorama of Thomas & Jesus

