

## The Father Forgives

As the Father of the man whom you took part in murdering, I have something very important to say to you. I forgive you. With all My heart, I forgive you. I realize it may be hard for you to believe, but I really do.

At the trial, when you confessed to your part in the events that cost My Son his life and asked for My forgiveness, I immediately granted you that forgiving love from My heart. I can only hope you believe Me and will accept My forgiveness.

But this is not all I have to say to you. I want to make you an offer -- I want you to become My adopted child. You see, My Son who died was My only child, and I now want to share My life with you and leave My riches to you. This may not make sense to you or anyone else, but I believe you are worth the offer. I have arranged matters so that if you will receive My offer of forgiveness, not only will you be pardoned for your crime, but you also will be set free from your imprisonment, and your sentence of death will be dismissed. At that point, you will become My adopted child and heir to all My riches.

I realize this is a risky offer for Me to make to you. You might be tempted to reject My offer completely, but I make it to you without reservation. Also, I realize it may seem foolish to make such an offer to one who cost My Son his life, but I now have a great love and unchangeable forgiveness in My heart for you.

Finally, you may be concerned that once you accept My offer you may do something to cause you to be denied your rights as an heir to My wealth.

Nothing could be further from the truth. If I can forgive you for your part in My Son's death, I can forgive you for anything. I know you will never be perfect, but you do not have to be perfect to receive My offer.

Besides, I believe that once you have accepted My offer and begin to experience the riches that will come to you from Me, that your primary (though not always) response will be gratitude and loyalty. Some would call Me foolish for My offer to you, but I wish for you to call Me your Father.

With love,  
The Father of Jesus

## Joke of the Week

Robert asked the televangelist to pray for his hearing. After 3 minutes of violent shaking and trying to push him over backwards the preacher ask, "how's your hearing"? Robert replied, " I don't know. It doesn't take place until Tuesday at the courthouse."

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**04/28/2019**  
**Thomas Sunday**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Loca- tion</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Service / Intention</u>	
04/27	N. Cam.	Sat.	3:00 PM 3:30 PM 4:00 PM	Confessions Holy Rosary In Memory of Nick Kohan	Patty, Bevan & Chris
04/28	N. Cam. Revloc N. Cam.	Sun.	9:00AM 11:00AM 5:00PM	In Memory of Anthony Ribaric Private Intentions For the People	Louise Patrick
04/29	N. Cam.	Mon.	8:30AM	Chuff Family	
04/30	Revloc	Tues.	6:30PM	Private Intentions	
05/01	N. Cam.	Wed.			
05/02	N. Cam	Thurs			
05/03	N. Cam.	Fri.	8:30AM	Chuff Family	
05/04	N. Cam.	Sat.	3:00 PM 3:30 PM 4:00 PM	Confessions Holy Rosary In Memory of Andrew Sidwar	Karen & Ron Budicky
05/05	N. Cam. Revloc N. Cam.	Sun.	11:00AM 11:00AM 5:00PM	In Memory of Mick Sapp Typika For the People	Michelle, Mike, Michaela & Michael

## Thomas Sunday

While the tomb was sealed, O Christ God, You dawned as life from the sepulcher, and while the doors were shut, You came to Your disciples, the Resurrection of all, renewing a right spirit in us through them, according to Your great mercy.

*Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and forever and ever. Amen.*

With His searching hand, Thomas explored Your life-giving side, O Christ God. For when You entered while the doors were shut, He called out to You with the rest of the Apostles: You are my Lord and my God.

### *Prokimenon*

Great is our Lord and great is His strength; and of His knowledge there is no end.

Praise the Lord, for psalm is good; may praise be sweet to our God.

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### *Alleluia Verses:*

- Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior.

- For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.

*Instead of "It is truly...":*

The Angel cried out to the one full of grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice!

Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem! For the glory of the Lord has risen up on you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And You, O Chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

### *Communion Verse:*

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem. Praise your God, O Sion. Alleluia (*Three times*).

## Announcements

### Income Report 04/20/2019

Sunday: \$1885.00 Loose: \$363.00 Dues: \$5.00 Good Friday: \$330.00 Diocesan: \$70.00  
Total: \$2653.00 Flowers: \$665.00 Candles: \$61.00 Building: \$56.00 Cemetery: \$25.00

### Easter Dinner and Egg Hunt

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Everyone is invited to our annual celebration of the Resurrection of Christ. We will begin at 11AM with the Divine Liturgy, followed by egg hunt for our kids with great prizes! Dinner will be served right after.

Join us for this wonderful event of celebration, fellowship and fun. Make sure to invite your friends and family.

Please, sign up at the entrances to the church, so we could prepare the appropriate amount of food.

### Kitchen Sale

May 2, 2019 from 1:30pm to 3:30pm

Potato Pierogie: \$8.00/doz

Last day to order: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 Call: 814-948-6140

**Please remember the sick, shut-ins and deployed of the Parish and our community in your prayers, especially:** James Scott, Mike Saxon, Mary Hanwell, Herb Kirsch & Family, John Kerr, Herluf Pedersen, George & Patty Kotrick, Jane Pavelko, Frank Farabaugh, William Paronish, Special Intention for a parishioner diagnosed with cancer (anonymous), Michael Katchmer, Barb Sidwar, Sarah Kelt, Brody Dick, Dustin Kirsch, Joyce Dolges, Bob Manioc and Shirley Baum.  
Deployed: Tim Shapiro

### All You Can Eat Buffet Breakfast

Queen of Peace Parrish, Patton, Pa

May 5, 2019 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM

Adults: \$8.00 Children (5-12): \$4.00 Under 5: Free

Lower level of the Parish Center

Prepared by the men of the Parrish