

MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses: YANCHEP: 6 p.m. Saturday Vigil, St James Anglican Church, 2 Lagoon Drive. GUILDERTON: 8 a.m. Sunday, Guilderton Community Hall, Wedge Street. LANCELIN: 9.45 a.m. Sunday, 33 Gingin Road, Lancelin.

Confessions: before Mass on request

Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9 a.m. at the presbytery, Wednesdays 3 p.m. at Bethanie Beachside Aged Care.

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We pray for the sick of our community, especially:

Pat Murphy, Ken and Toni Meek, Delores Servais, Michael Ford, Jim Walsh, Paula Cope, Pat Barone, Josephine del Bene, Len Sims and Nina Campbell.

We pray for all departed souls from this Pastoral area, and we ask them to pray for us.

Mary Crawford, Des Elliot, Barry Murphy, Jim and Marion Ferguson, Pat O'Prey, John Sheahan, Carmen Germann, Yvonne Wytenburg, Frank and Netje Walsler, Ian Kinner, Dennis Galora, Tom Cox, Alice Greig, John Bird, Ray Knapp, Giuseppe Del Bene, Bruno Rogalski, Bill Fleming, Ronnie Spratling and Mavis Gagiano.

Communion Antiphon † John 20:27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Some arguments we can use to convince others about the truth of the resurrection ...

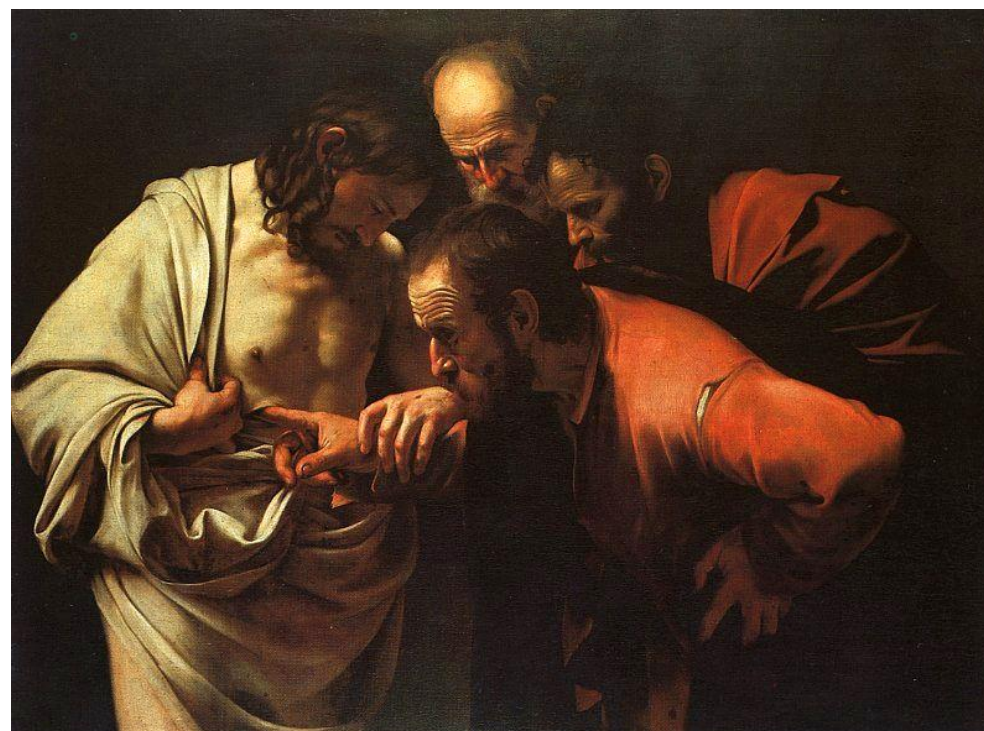
1. Where else in ancient history do we find as many as four relatively uneducated authors giving contemporary accounts of the same miraculous events?
2. Where else do we find such a wealth of ancient manuscripts all pertaining to one set of events (24,300 manuscripts for the Gospels - compare with 10 for Caesar's Gallic Wars).
3. Where else in ancient history do we find such a short interval between time of writing and the date of the oldest extant manuscript? (Compare 45 years for John's Gospel - written about 90 A.D. with the oldest fragment, the Rylands Papyrus 152 dated to *circa* 125 A.D. - with 900 years for Tacitus's Annals.)
4. Even non-Christians testify that Jesus performed marvellous works: Flavius Josephus, the Jewish Historian records in 93-94 A.D.: "About this time there lived Jesus, a wise man. For he was one who wrought surprising feats and was a teacher of such people who accept the truth gladly ... When Pilate, upon hearing him accused by men of the highest standing among us, had condemned him to be crucified, those who had in the first place come to love him did not give up their affection for him. (*Antiquities of the Jews*, book 18, Ch.3, 3.)
5. Nothing else explains the sudden spread of Christianity and the willingness of the Apostles and early disciples to die rather than give up their faith in Him.

Sunday Bulletin

2nd Sunday in Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

Year B

**Entrance Antiphon | 1 Peter 2:2**

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

The Incredulity of St Thomas, Caravaggio, (1602), oil on canvas, Sanssouci Palace, Potsdam, Germany.

First Reading † Acts 4:32-35

The whole group was united, heart and soul.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm † Psalm 117: 2-4, 15-18, 22-24.**R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.' **R.**

I was thrust, thrust down
and falling but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

Second Reading † 1 John 5:1-6*Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.*

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God;
and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.
We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he
has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and
his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by
God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God;
Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,
not with water only,
but with water and blood;
with the Spirit as another witness –
since the Spirit is the truth.

*The word of the Lord.***Thanks be to God.****Gospel Acclamation † John 20:29****Alleluia, Alleluia!**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!**Gospel † John 20:19-31***After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.*

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the
room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them.
He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The
disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again: 'Peace
be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus
came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the
holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into his side, I refuse to
believe.'

Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The
doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he
said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me
your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.'

Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!'

Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me,

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not
recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the
Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

*The Gospel of the Lord.***Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**