

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Divine Mercy Sunday

If God appeared to you tonight - right in the privacy of your room, right in the middle of your life - what would you feel first? Joy? Or fear? ... Be honest now ... Because most of us would not immediately think, "This is wonderful." We might think, "Oh no... not now." But why? It is because our minds would go straight to the things we have avoided. The habits we keep falling into. The parts of our lives we quietly keep out of sight - even from God. And that's exactly where the Gospel begins.

The disciples are in a locked room - afraid. They know what they have done. They ran. They failed. And into that locked, that fearful space - Jesus comes. Now here is the moment that should stop us. Jesus knows everything. And knowing everything, the very first thing He says is: "Peace... Peace be with you." Not, "Explain yourself." Not, "Where were you?" Not, "Why did you abandon me?" But - "Peace." Friends, that is shocking. It reveals something we often get wrong about God: His first word over our lives is not disappointment - but mercy. And His mercy is not abstract. It is personal. It meets us exactly where we are - not where we pretend to be.

Then Jesus shows his disciples His wounds. The very wounds that came from sin have become the place where His love is revealed. Which means: the places we hide - the darkest, most guarded parts of our lives - are precisely where God wants to meet us. That is Divine Mercy. And that changes everything. Because it means we don't have to hide. We don't have to fix ourselves before we come to Him. We only must be willing to let Him see what is already there. Because mercy can only heal what we are willing to place in God's hands.

So here is the question that truly matters: What is the door in your life, that you keep shut - even from God? What is the one thing you avoid bringing into prayer? The thing you justify... the thing you keep in the dark? That thing, whatever it is - right there - is the place where Christ is already waiting. And this is why Divine Mercy, God's Mercy, matters so much. Not just for us—but for every human heart. Because the world desperately needs to hear this truth: God is not waiting at a distance. He wants you. Not a future version of you. Not a cleaned-up version of you. But you - as you are. Divine Mercy is not something small. It is God Himself - standing before the deepest truth of your life - asking to enter. And so, everything comes down to this: God is at the door of your life. He is knocking. He is waiting. Not with accusation - but with wounds... that speak of love. And if you open that door, you will discover that mercy has been there all along. And the voice you may have feared... will become the voice that heals you: ***"Peace be with you."***