

Second Sunday of Easter Sunday | Year B
April 7, 2024 (Acts 4:32-35 | 1 John 5:1-6 | John 19:20-31)

In the early days after Jesus's resurrection, members of the church assembled, worshipped God, and were united in minds and hearts. Let us pray to God with the same spirits.

1/ Let us give thanks to the Lord, for he is good and his love is everlasting. For whole people of God. We pray that, led by Pope Francis, pastors, and deacons, they may always sing of the everlasting mercy and the enduring love of God. Let us pray.

2/ In his letter, John assures early Christians that whoever believes that Jesus is the Son of God not only is begotten by God, but can also conquer the world. For all the peoples in this world—especially non-Christians. We pray that they may realize that God, who raised Jesus from the dead, can also grant them eternal life in heaven. Let us pray.

3/ On the evening of the first day of the week, Jesus came and stood in the disciples' midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." For those who live in despair and anxiety imposed on them by this world. We pray that the joy of Easter and the peace of Jesus's resurrection may comfort their hearts and guide them to seek God. Let us pray.

4/ Seeing the risen Jesus, Thomas, called the Twin, shouted out, "My Lord and my God!" For our sisters and brothers who have died with their faith in Jesus. We pray that God, who lifted Jesus to be "Son of God," may also raise our loved ones to be among the living. Today we remember [**at 4:30 PM**] Joe Argabright, Raymond and Blondie Brown, Joyce O'Leary [**at 10:00 AM Mass**] Nick Ford, Woody and Dorothy Hesler. Let us pray.

God of heaven and earth, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the Easter joy we share with Christ and lead us toward the fullness of eternal life with you. We pray this through Christ our Lord.