Gospel for April 27

John 20:19-31

[19] On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together,
with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among
them and said, “Peace be with you!” [20] After he said this, he showed them his
hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

[21] Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending
you.” [22] And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. [23] If
you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they
are not forgiven.”

[24] Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the
disciples when Jesus came. [25] So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the
Lord!”

But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger
where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

[26] A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them.
Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace
be with you!” [27] Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands.
Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”

[28] Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!”

[29] Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are
those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

[30] Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not
recorded in this book. [31] But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the
Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name