



March

Month of Faith

The Apostle Thomas

The carpenter's square represents the church he planted in India. The spears and rocks represent his martyrdom.

For the month of March, we will be focusing our attention on the virtue of faith. We see in the Bible verse below that God calls each of us to walk by faith and not by sight, trusting and believing in Him.

Now Thomas, one of the twelve, who is called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him: We have seen the Lord. But he said to them: "Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." (John 20:25)

We see Thomas filled with doubt about the resurrection of Christ. Even though he is one of the twelve apostles who has seen Jesus perform miracles he says he will not believe until he sees it for himself. How many times in our own lives have we despaired and asked for proof of God's goodness or existence?

When Jesus approaches Thomas after the resurrection he says: **"Because thou hast seen me, Thomas, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and have believed."** (John 29). Faith, especially when things seem difficult or impossible, is one of the most important fruits of the spirit.

Prayer

God, please give us a faith, especially when things seem difficult or impossible. Help us to always walk by faith, choosing to trust in your goodness. Help us to know where you are calling us and to always make You the centre of our lives. We pray this especially for mothers who feel abortion is their only option and who feel overwhelmed with their struggles. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

