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Divine Mercy Sunday

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Jesus to Sr. Faustina

On one occasion, I heard these words: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.

"[Let] the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right before others to trust in the abyss of My mercy. My daughter, write about My mercy towards tormented souls. Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I



justify him in My unfathomable and inscrutable mercy. Write: before I come as a just Judge, I first open wide the door of My mercy. He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice.

"From all My wounds, like from streams, mercy flows for souls, but the wound in My Heart is the fountain of unfathomable mercy. From this fountain spring all graces for souls. The flames of compassion burn Me. I desire greatly to pour them out upon souls. Speak to the whole world about My mercy."

~Excerpted from Diary of Sr. M. Faustina Kowalska.

The Divine Mercy Message and Devotion

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

ABC: The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness others just as He does to to us. **C** - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message and devotional practices proposed in the Diary of Saint Faustina and set forth in this web site and other publications of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception are completely in accordance with the teachings of Church and are firmly rooted in the Gospel message of our Merciful Savior. Properly understood and implemented, they will help us grow as genuine followers of Christ.

Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

You can listen to a 30-minute crash course by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC by going to the following web addresses. https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/divine-mercy-crash-course

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<u>Prayer List</u>

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

Those who are sick:

St. Boniface Church: Norma Aman, Ed and Connie Cumpston, Anna Crim, Marguerite Dombroski, Heather Fallon, Dave & Vicki Radcliff, Marge Starr, Art Weaver Good Shepherd Mission: T. A. Corcoran, Pastor Larry Flemming, Tammi Hardman, Bonnie Klotz, Betty Kreitzer, Ben Lemmer, Sherry Van Leewen, Wayne Lularuc, Betty Maddix, Dave Radcliff, Vicki Radcliff, Michelle Underwood

St. Patrick Church: Nick Bakas, Junior Brumley, Jean Scott Chase, John Collins, Brad Curtis, Nick Cutlip, Paul Derico, Rose Determan, Larry Dodson, Fr. Kent Durig, Fr. Chapin Engler, Carl Ford, Marsha Garton, Jack Gum (brother of Susie Determan), Lori Hamrick, Robert Hamilton, Fr. John Hollowell, Mary Jo Hull, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Delores Paugh, Raylee Rahming, Mike Riley, Tom Ruppert, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Diane Snyder, Kimberly Snyder, Mary Taylor, Grace Turner, Fr. Pat Wash, Judy Wilson

- Those who have died: May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- All Military Personnel: Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton, Stephen Lindsey, R. Brody Springer, Justin Stark
- Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
- Former priests and religious of our churches
- Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.
- All diagnosed with Covid 19
- All health care workers, first responders, mail carriers and essential employees

<u>Liturgical Calendar &</u> <u>Scripture Readings</u>

April 19–25, 2020

- Sunday, April 19, Sunday of Divine Mercy, Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31
- Monday, April 20, Monday of the Second Week of Easter, Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8
- Tuesday, April 21, Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday, April 22, Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter, Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday, April 23, Saint George, Martyr, Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr, Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
- Friday, April 24, Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
- Saturday, April 25, Saint Mark, Evangelist, 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

Liturgical Calendar for Traditional Latin Mass

- Sunday, April 19, Divine Mercy Sunday (Low Sunday)
- Monday, April 20, Feria in Paschaltide
- Tuesday, April 21, St. Anselm, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor
- Wednesday, April 22, Ss. Soter & Caius, Popes & Martyrs
- Thursday, April 23, St. George, Martyr
- Friday, April 24, St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Martyr
- Saturday, April 25, St. Mark, Evangelist

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from

You.

Amen.

Parish Membership & Benefits:

To be considered an "active" member of any parish (and thus eligible for Sacraments, sponsor eligibility, and the "Active Parishioner Rate of tuition" at a Catholic school), the parish takes into account the following things. First, to receive a discount at a Catholic School or to receive a sacrament, the children MUST attend weekend Mass. Second, family & individual involvement in parish life and ministries are taken into consideration. Mass attendance is only able to be tracked accurately via collection envelopes. If you are not receiving envelopes currently, please contact the appropriate person at your parish. Parishioners over 18 should register as a household to help us keep records accurate and up-to-date.

Stay In Touch

There are a number of ways to keep in touch with your parish during this time. One is to visit the St. Patrick Church website or the Facebook pages for St. Pat's or St. Boniface. You do not have to have a Facebook account to view these pages.

www.spchurchweston.org/

https://www.facebook.com/StPatsChurchWestonWv/ https://www.facebook.com/StBonifaceCatholicChurch/

For a bit of online catechesis, visit Father's YouTube channel "The Altar "ed" State" at: www.youtube.com/c/frdeviese

Some have sent emails or left voice mail messages at the office to check in. We are working on a way to be able to email or text parishioners. Hence the need for the cell phone number and email address announcement. We realize, not everyone uses email or texts. That is where our parish families are desperately needed. Don't just check on your friends and family. Check on the people that you sit near in church, especially if you know they live alone, are elderly or have no family. Check on parents who are trying to homeschool their kids while also trying to keep some semblance of normalcy for their family. Check on those who are on the frontlines of this pandemic, give them an encouraging message or a simple thank you. We are in this together and together we will get through it! Peace

Everything that has Been Given to Us, Comes from God.

We understand the this pandemic has affected a lot of our parishioners financially. It has done the same thing to each of our parishes. Just because public Masses have been suspended the financial needs of our parishes continue. The church depends on the weekly offertory collection to keep things running. If you are able, please continue to give to your church during this time. Donations can be mailed to the church office. Donations received at St. Pat's that are for St. Boniface and Good Shepherd will be given to the people who handle those collections. If you don't want to go out to mail your donation, you can set up a donation directly through your bank. They take care of mailing your donation. Members of St. Patrick Church can create an account at myeoffering.com and create an account. Donations can be set up to be a one time donation or can be scheduled to be an ongoing donation.

Latin Mass Livestream Options

Livestream Video Schedule For The Priory of the Canons Regular of the New Jerusalem

Sunday

High Mass: 10:15 am - Vespers: 6:00 pm

Weekdays Mass: 8:00 am - Vespers: 5:00 pm

Please check here or on our Facebook page for updates for changes and additions for special Feasts.

Note that a Facebook account is not necessary to view these video streams, but merely go to our Facebook page by going to this link: https://www.facebook.com/The-Canons-Regular-of-the-New-Jerusalem



Daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The Blessed Sacrament is displayer daily, from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the side door of the parish office. We hope you will stop by and spend time with our Lord daily. If you wish to get out of your vehicle, please do not go up on the stop as we do not want to block the view for others and please practice the social distancing guidelines that have been issued.

Cell Numbers & Email Addresses Needed

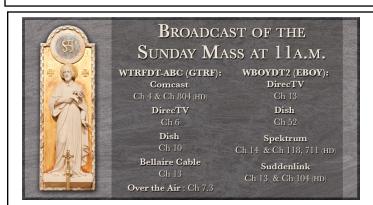
We are busy trying to update the parish records and need your help. We need cell phone numbers and email addresses for parishioners from all three parishes. Please email secretary@spchurchweston.net with this info for all family members. Numbers and addresses received for St. Boniface and Good Shepherd will be forwarded to the appropriate people. Thank you!

Catholic Women's Book Club

While our physical buildings and public gatherings are shutdown; the Catholic Women Bookclub is continuing to read faith -filled books and discussing them via email. This month, we are reading Story of a Soul The Autobiography of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Study Edition by Marc Foley, John Clark. Manuscript A is the section we will be reading. During May, Manuscripts B & C are the sections that we will read.

Our next discussion date is Sunday, April 26th. The discussion will take place via email. If you are a woman who would like to join our discussions, then please contact me

at christinacrim@yahoo.com. This book is purchasable at amazon.com, and the Kindle version is \$9.99.



<u>Mass Livestream</u> <u>at</u> www.dwc.org

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston's live stream of weekly Mass will air every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

The diocese's livestream of daily Mass is offered at 12 noon, Monday through Saturday.

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