

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the testament of God's mercy for us, and especially for poor sinners.

O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus as proof of infinite mercy for us, and especially for poor sinners.

O Blessed Host, in whom is contained life eternal and of infinite mercy, dispensed in abundance to us and especially to poor sinners.

O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the mercy of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit toward us, and especially toward poor sinners.

O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the medicine for all our infirmities, flowing from infinite mercy, as from a fount, for us and especially for poor sinners.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in all the sufferings and adversities of life.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of darkness and of storms within and without.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in life and at the hour of our death.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of adversities and floods of despair.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of falsehood and treason.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in the longing and pain in which no one will understand us.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in the toil and monotony of everyday life.

O Blessed Host, our only hope amid the ruin of our hopes and endeavors.

O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of the ravages of the enemy and the efforts of hell.

O Blessed Host, I trust in You when the burdens are beyond my strength and I find my efforts are fruitless.

O Blessed Host, I trust in You when storms toss my heart about and my fearful spirit tends to despair.

O Blessed Host, I trust in You when everything conspires against me and black despair creeps into my soul.



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“Most Holy Trinity, I trust in Your infinite Mercy. God is my Father and so I, His child, have every claim to His divine Heart; and the greater the darkness, the more complete our trust should be.”

Mass Intentions
19 April 2020

+Tony & Bunny Capuano by Ed & Joann Coates

+Carolyn Kowalski by Joann & Ed Coates

Let us all Stay Safe, Clean & Healthy

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Lord,

Lord, who reveals the Father's love by Your death and Resurrection, we believe in You and confidently repeat to You today: Jesus, I trust in You, have mercy upon us and upon the whole world. - St. Pope John Paul II

Today, we are called to encounter and experience the unconditional love of God that flows from the pierced side of the heart of Jesus. It is through the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we receive the Divine Mercy. Many times in our life, we have experienced the mercy of God through His benevolence, forgiveness, protection and blessings. The Risen Lord not only reveals Divine Mercy of His Heavenly Father to us, but invites us to share the Mercy of God in our life of Mercy and Charity.

St. Faustina Kowalska wrote in her Diary: "I feel tremendous pain when I see the sufferings of my neighbours. All my neighbours' sufferings reverberate in my own heart; I carry their anguish in my heart in such a way that it even physically destroys me. I would like all their sorrows to fall upon me, in order to relieve my neighbour." This is the degree of compassion to which love leads, when it takes the love of God as its measure!

During this difficult time, I continue to pray for all of you. Let us be united in prayer through which Divine Mercy of God be upon us and upon the world. I extend my sincere gratitude and appreciation for all who are sending their envelopes and supporting our Church.

Blessed are the Merciful, for they will be shown Mercy. (Mt 5:7).

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Sunday Mass at 11 am

Everyday Mass at 9 am

With Prayers & Blessings of Easter

Fr. John Kennady MMI

Dn. John Lytle

LITURGY OF WORD

The Second Sunday of Easter is popularly known as **Divine Mercy Sunday**. Between 1930 and 1938 Christ appeared to Sister Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion and told that "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 first reading of today (Acts 2:42-47) tells us how the early Church grew every day because of the acts of mercy — sharing, sacrificial *agápe* love — practiced by the early Christians. In the second reading (1 Peter 1:3-9), St. Peter glorifies God, the Father of Jesus Christ, for showing us His mercy by granting His Son, Jesus Resurrection from the dead and a glorious Ascension into Heaven, thus giving us the assurance of our own resurrection. Today's Gospel vividly reminds us of how Jesus instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a sacrament of Divine Mercy. The risen Lord gave his Apostles the power to forgive sins with the words, "Whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain, they are retained" (Jn 20:19-23). Presenting the doubting Thomas' famous profession of Faith, "My Lord and my God," the Gospel illustrates how Jesus showed his mercy to the doubting apostle and emphasizes the importance of Faith for everyone. We need to accept God's invitation to celebrate and practice mercy in our Christian lives: One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and through Holy Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. And it is through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy that we practice mercy in our daily lives and become eligible for God's merciful judgment.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

J. Gottesmann, W. Rieger, K. Eschenberg, J. Feeley, R. Knack, Ron Rhodes JR, Dan Buddenhagen, Brenda Long, Mary Ann, Eileem Ohman, Madeleine Wootan, Olga Viruet, Barbara Donatelli, Anita Robertson, Linda Roche, Gloria Grunn, Marcia Bauer and all sick and needy.

