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Mass Schedule

Weekday	12:00 pm Monday to Friday
Martes	7:00 pm Misa en Español
Saturday	9:00 am, 4:00 pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm Misa en Español
Holydays	6:00 pm (Vigil Mass) 12:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 7:00 pm Misa en Español

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Trustees

*Thirty – Third
Sunday in Ordinary Time*

November 17, 2019

Parish Membership

Our parish embraces diversity. We may come from different origins but we are one in faith, in love & devotion to the merciful Heart of Jesus. Everyone is welcome to join our growing community. Please come and visit our office to register.

Parish Office/Rectory

Hours: Monday to Friday from
9 am - 2 pm

Email: office@divinemercyrahway.church

Tel (732)388-0082, (732)388-0083
CCD (732)382-0004

Sacramental Schedule



Confession Monday to Friday after the Mass, Saturdays 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm or call the priest for an appointment

Baptism Call the parish office to make an appointment with a priest

Marriage Couples planning marriage must notify the Parish rectory a year in advance for date and requirement. Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

Anointing of the Sick Contact a priest at any time.

Holy Communion For anyone who are homebound or confined in hospitals and would like to receive Holy Communion please contact the parish office or rectory.

Divine Mercy Parish Community

Worship Apostolate meets in Room 104

Rosary Society meets four times a year

Filipino Community Mass every 3rd Sunday of the month with the Filipino Choir, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm at the Church

Divine Mercy Ministry of Jesus Meets at the Vigil Mass on every 4TH Saturday of the month

Spanish Community Reuniones Hispanas

Eucaristía Dominical 12:30 pm

Bautismos Por favor llamar la oficina de Lunes a Viernes.

Matrimonio Feligreses registrados tienen que presentarse un año antes de la boda.

Reconciliación Cada Martes Después de la Misa 12:00 pm Y de la 7:00 pm, Cada Miércoles Después de la Misa de la 12:00pm

Unción de los Enfermos Por favor llamar a la oficina para visitas a las casa o hospital.

Mensajeras del Amor de Cristo Visitan los enfermos Diana (732)535-0278

Educación Religiosa llamada (732)382-0004

Movimiento Juan XXIII Jueves 8:00 pm Parish School #104

Grupo Guadalupano Martes 7:00 pm Iglesia

Grupo Juvenil "Ángeles de Jesús" Sábado 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Grupo de Oración Sábado 7:00 pm Connell Hall

"Grupos Voluntarios Limpian La Iglesia"

Mil Avemarias - Cada Primera Semana del mes, Miércoles mañana

Juan XXIII - Cada Segunda Semana del mes, Sábado

Guadalupanos - Cada Tercera semana del mes, Sábado

Grupo de Oración - Cada Cuarta semana del mes, Sábado



Devotions

Eucharistic Adoration

11:00 am Every first Friday of the month,

Mary Mother of God

9:00 am Every first Saturday of the month

Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:00 pm Every 4TH Saturday of the month

Our Lady of Miraculous Medal

Novena on Mondays after the 12:00 pm Mass

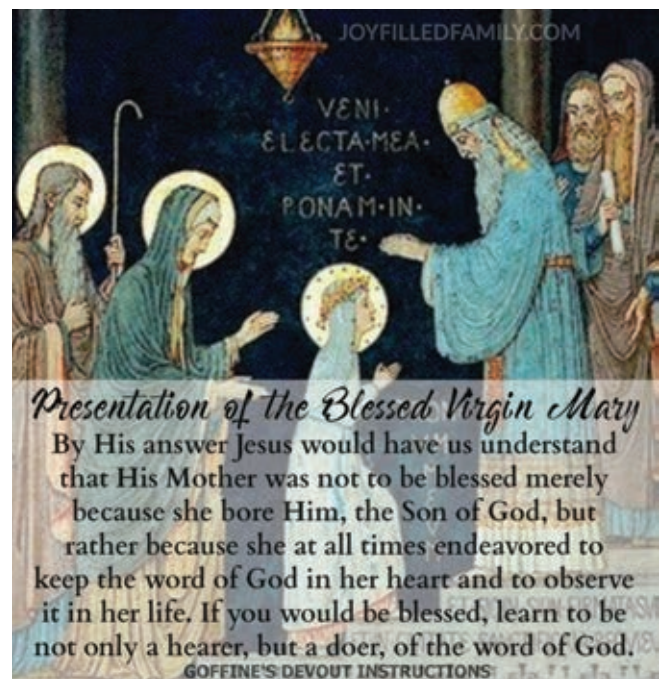
St. Jude

Novena on Thursdays after the 12:00 pm Mass

SAINT OF THE WEEK

NOVEMBER 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

By His answer Jesus would have us understand that His Mother was not to be blessed merely because she bore Him, the Son of God, but rather because she at all times endeavored to keep the word of God in her heart and to observe it in her life. If you would be blessed, learn to be not only a hearer, but a doer, of the word of God.

Prayer to Mary for Health of the Sick

O Holy Mother, Health of the Sick, you are the true fountain of mercy and healing. Full of love and compassion, obtain for me health of body and soul by all your powerful prayers to your Divine Son, Jesus Christ.

In your motherly hands I leave myself, my dear ones, all the needs of holy mother church, our country and the salvation of all souls. Amen



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16
(Vigil Mass)

4:00 pm † Mary Pileggi

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17
Memorial of Saint Leo the Great

8:00 am † Mary & Joseph Tranchino
9:30 am † All Souls in Purgatory
11:00 am † All Souls in Purgatory
12:30 pm † Olga Maria Chicaiza
5:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Dedication of the Basilica of Sts Peter & Paul
Feast of Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne

12:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

12:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory
7:00 pm Special Intention of Jesus de Nazaret

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

12:00 pm † Cipriano Perez

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:00 pm † Tirso Gerardo Castillo

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Feast of Saint Cecilia

12:00 pm † Luis Alberto Castillo

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Feast of Saints Clement I, Columban & Blessed Miguel Agustin Po

9:00 am † Joseph Castellano
4:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

8:00 am † Marilyn Regan
9:30 am † Vincent Badala Sr.
11:00 am † All Souls in Purgatory
12:30 pm † Guadalupe Zacatula & Paulina Maria Rivas

All general mass intentions and private mass schedules are now posted at the Parish website <https://divinemercurahway.church> under Mass Intentions.

GIFTS AND OFFERINGS



The Tabernacle Lamp is being offered for
† Albert F Reitenmeyer



The Altar Bread is being offered for
† John R Reitenmeyer

The Altar Wine is being offered for
† Margaret Reitenmeyer



The Altar Candles are being offered for
† Albert F Reitenmeyer

THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

9:30 am CCD classes
11:00 am RCIA Spanish class (103)
12:00 pm Food Pantry (Annex)
5:00 pm Filipino Mass (Church)
7:00 pm AA Meeting (Hall)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:00 pm Spanish Bible Classes (102)
7:00 pm Bible Study—Gospel of John (104)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:00 pm CCD & RCIA classes in English
7:00 pm Guadalupano (Church)
8:00 pm BLD_DCS Meeting (202)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7:00 pm Pastoral Meeting (104)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7:30 pm Juan XXIII (201)
7:30 pm BLD_Single Parents (Hall)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:30 pm BLD All (AUD/ GYM)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
4:00 pm Angeles (208)
7:00 pm Grupo De Oracion (Hall)

All parish schedules are now posted at the Parish web Site <https://divinemercurahway.church> Events & News.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

I am deeply humbled by your overwhelming support to all upcoming and ongoing projects of our Parish. I am truly grateful for all your cooperation, prayers and generous donations to the following projects;

1) THE MEMORIAL BELLS OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

This campaign has concluded and the construction for this project has started. The excess donation from this project of \$520 will be used for the lamp post that will stand beside the memorial bells. The names of donors for this project are now published in our website.

2) ADORATION ROOM

DONORS

Mario Caballero	Donor and Architect		
Felipe Gallegos	Carpenter		
Elizabeth Rogers	Donated Divine Mercy Frame		
Alex Marble &	Norma	\$100	
Juana Guadalupe Lima	Mil Aves Marias	\$300	
Miguel Caranza	Anonymous 1	\$100	
Sonia Estremera	Victoria Batista	\$50	
Carlos &	Luis & Erika Olle	\$150	
Graciela Rodriguez	Mercedes Gamboa	\$300	
Gabriela Salgado	Juana Perez	\$40	
Carlos & Miriam Balseca	Ilda Monteroso	\$500	
Fernando/ Maria Cardosa	Jose & Angela Osorio	\$200	
Robert & Maria Castro	Eunice Urdinola	\$50	
Rosa Garcia	Amanda Gonzalez	\$100	
Rosary Society	Jorge &		
Filipino Choir	Heminilda Betancur	\$500	
Marie Hyppolite	Robert Sivitsky	\$25	
Stephen McCarthy	William & Noreen Rack	\$500	
Anonymous 2	Anonymous 3	\$50	
Eleanor Orpilla	Darlene Beadling	\$150	
† Nina Baynosa	Dolly Cardona	\$50	
Anonymous 4	Juanita Dickson	\$100	
Knights of Columbus 1146	Anonymous 5	\$50	

The Adoration Room will be located at the right front wing of the Church. The estimated cost of this project is \$7,977.76. The total donations as of 11/13/2019 is \$5,965. The work for this project has started.

Again from the bottom of my heart thank you very much for your continued support and generosity!

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Alexander T. Cruz



A **Charitable gift annuity** is a charitable giving tool that provides you with affixed income for life and leaves a lasting gift to **Divine Mercy Parish**.

In addition to, two tax benefits add value to the gift annuity. First you receive an income tax deduction in the year you create a gift annuity. Second, part of each annuity payment you receive will be tax free.

A charitable gift annuity makes it possible for you to increase your cash flow for the rest of your life (or the life of a loved one), and eventually benefit Divine Mercy Parish.


This is one way to put your treasure where your heart is—in your parish— and still take care of your needs and those of the family.

Please check out the parish website <https://divinemercyrahway.church> under **Parish Services/ Parish Giving** for a more detailed explanation of charitable gift annuity.

For more information contact Theresa Lynch, Planned Giving Manager at telephone no. (973) 497-4042 or email at lynchthe@rcan.org.



Parish **Giving Online** is now available at Divine Mercy Parish. Sign-up is quick and easy via the link on our website (<https://divinemercyrahway.church>). For any questions or inquiries, please send an email to webadmin@divinemercyrahway.church



BAPTISM

*With Joyful hearts let's welcome the newly Baptized of our Parish community **Zulimar V. Perez and Cathryll Valdez Casilla.***



SUNDAY READINGS

- Malachi 3: 19 - 20A
- Psalms 98 : 5 - 6, 7 - 8, 9
- 2 Thessalonians 3: 7 - 12
- Gospel from Luke 21: 5 - 19

Reflecting on the Gospel of Luke 21: 5 - 19

In today's Gospel Jesus foresees the opposition which we, His followers, will face. So, like a great general leading his troupes into battle, He sets out to give us encouragement and strengthen our resolve to stand firm. First, he foretells the kind of dangers that lie ahead. Christ's followers would be persecuted, just as He was. They would be driven from the synagogues for preaching in the name of Jesus. They would be arraigned in both pagan and Jewish courts. So great would be the opposition to the followers of Jesus that it would split families. In fact, all this has proved to be true throughout the history of the Church. Since we could easily become discouraged after these dire warnings, Jesus then reassures. Opposition to our faith can provide us with the opportunity of explaining and defending it. That was certainly true when the apostles were brought before the courts. Less dramatically, that can be true for us whenever someone challenges our faith and Christian way of life, or simply wants to know more about what we believe.

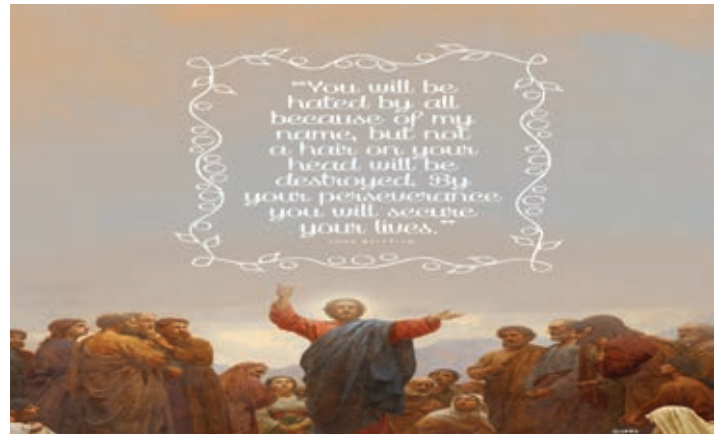
But that in itself may be daunting. We may well fear that we won't be up to explaining our faith. We may fear that we don't have sufficient understanding and eloquence. That's the fear of most preachers and, I expect, teachers and parents. It's a healthy attitude, which prevents us becoming conceited or complacent -providing it doesn't become paralyzing.

So Jesus reassures us for when we are called to witness to Him. Instead of relying on our human powers of persuasion we should trust in the help He gives us in spreading the Good News. When the risen Lord commissioned the apostles to preach the Good News to the whole world He promised to be with us always. And Before His Passion He promised to send us the Spirit of truth, who would remind us of all that He had taught us.

In other words, God commits Himself to helping us when He calls us to do His work. That Spirit is at work both in us in sharing the Good News, and also in those who hear it. The word of God itself is, indeed, alive and active. Thank God the outcome of our labor does not depend upon our feeble human efforts alone! But we do have to play our part, as the Spirit assists us by helping to draw upon the faith, which we have come to know and love through years of prayerful reflection.

Today's Gospel ends on an up-beat note. When Jesus finally comes in glory He will welcome into His kingdom all who have stood by Him, especially when our faith has been severely tested. Even if our bodies have been destroyed through martyrdom they will be renewed and glorified in the resurrection. That, I think, is what Jesus implies here when He says that not a hair of our heads will be destroyed.

So, the message of today's Gospel is that we must expect it to be difficult and even dangerous following Christ. But it's well worthwhile standing firmly by Him, knowing that He will always stand by us! - (reflection from catholicbb.org)

**Reflexionando sobre el Evangelio de Lucas**

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús prevé la oposición que nosotros, sus seguidores, enfrentaremos. Así que, como un gran general guiando a sus grupos a la batalla, Él se dispone a darnos ánimo y fortalecer nuestra decisión de permanecer firmes. Primero, él predice la clase de peligros que están por venir. Los seguidores de Cristo serían perseguidos, así como Él era. Serían expulsados de las sinagogas para predicar en el nombre de Jesús. Serían procesados en las cortes paganas y judías. Tan grande sería la oposición a los seguidores de Jesús que dividiría familias. De hecho, todo esto ha demostrado ser verdad a lo largo de la historia de la Iglesia. Ya que fácilmente podríamos desanimarnos después de estas advertencias terribles, Jesús entonces nos tranquiliza. La oposición a nuestra fe puede brindarnos la oportunidad de explicarla y defenderla. Eso fue ciertamente cierto cuando los apóstoles fueron llevados ante los tribunales. Menos dramáticamente, eso puede ser verdad para nosotros cuando alguien desafía nuestra fe y nuestra forma de vida cristiana, o simplemente quiere saber más acerca de lo que creemos.

Pero eso en sí mismo puede ser desalentador. Bien podemos temer que no estaremos a la altura de explicar nuestra fe. Podemos temer que no tenemos suficiente comprensión y elocuencia. Ese es el temor de la mayoría de los predicadores y, espero, de los maestros y padres. Es una actitud saludable, que nos impide ser engreídos o complacientes, siempre y cuando no se convierta en paralizante.

Así que Jesús nos tranquiliza para cuando estamos llamados a dar testimonio de Él. En lugar de confiar en nuestros poderes humanos de persuasión, debemos confiar en la ayuda que nos da para difundir la Buena Nueva. Cuando el Señor resucitado encargó a los apóstoles que predicaran la Buena Nueva al mundo entero, prometió estar siempre con nosotros. Y antes de su pasión prometió enviarnos el Espíritu de la verdad, que nos recordaría todo lo que nos había enseñado.

En otras palabras, Dios se compromete a ayudarnos cuando nos llama a hacer su obra. Ese Espíritu actúa tanto en nosotros, compartiendo la Buena Nueva, como en quienes la escuchan. La Palabra misma de Dios está, en efecto, viva y activa. ¡Gracias a Dios el resultado de nuestra labor no depende solamente de nuestros débiles esfuerzos humanos!

El Evangelio de hoy termina con una nota positiva. Cuando Jesús finalmente venga en gloria, Él dará la bienvenida a Su reino a todos los que han estado a Su lado, especialmente cuando nuestra fe ha sido severamente probada. Incluso si nuestros cuerpos han sido destruidos por el martirio ellos serán renovados y glorificados en la resurrección. Eso, pienso, es lo que Jesús implica aquí cuando Él dice que ni un pelo de nuestras cabezas será destruido.

Por lo tanto, el mensaje del Evangelio de hoy es que debemos esperar que sea difícil e incluso peligroso seguir a Cristo. Pero vale la pena permanecer firmemente junto a Él, sabiendo que Él siempre estará a nuestro lado

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