

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 11th to April 18th, 2021

Saturday, April 10th – Saturday within the Octave of Easter

4:15-4:45 p.m. – All Saints – Confessions
5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary by JAN

Sunday, April 11th – Divine Mercy Sunday

7:30-8:00 a.m. – All Saints – Confessions
8:15 a.m. – All Saints – Ken Lavalla by Suzanne Lavalla
10:00-10:20 a.m. – St. Isidore – Confessions
10:30 a.m. – St. Isidore – For The People

Mon., April 12th – Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. – All Saints – John Montiel, Roberta Parker & Edith Brown

Tues, April 13th – St. Martin I, Pope & Martyr

5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Adoration with Confession
6:00 p.m. – All Saints – Dianne Bessette by Joseph Martel

Wed., April 14th – Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. – All Saints – For the Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary by JAN

Thurs., April 15th – Easter Weekday

5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Holy Hour with Confession
6:00 p.m. – All Saints – Conversion of Loved Ones by JAN

Friday, April 16th – Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. – All Saints – Robert Morris by Claire & Hib Doe

Saturday, April 17th – Easter Weekday

4:15-4:45 p.m. – All Saints – Confessions
5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Erwin Fletcher by Byron & Jane Fletcher

Sunday, April 18th – Third Sunday of Easter

7:30-8:00 a.m. – All Saints – Confessions
8:15 a.m. – All Saints – Jeannette Hoffman
10:00-10:20 a.m. – St. Isidore – Confessions
10:30 a.m. – St. Isidore – Maurice Roy by Rachel Roy

Please Pray For: Erica Johnson, Joan Hahr, Christine Scanlon, Joe Noonan, Sarai Tirado, Sandy Morriell, Michael Daley, Mary Latimer, John Young, David Lindsey, Joel Rasco, Deborah Cuesta, Cecilia Fatzinger, Kristin Lotane, Dena Cassidy, Caroline Elkins, Ryan Skochin, Danielle Desnoyers, Dora Hurtubise, Russell Hilton, William Harlow, Cheryl McMurphy, David Robert, Christopher Martel, Leslie Garvey, Ann Twohig, Deborah Kneen, Caroline Daberer, Sue Rhodes, Terry Kneen, Joel Rivera, Pat Carroll, Joseph Adams III, Liza Farrar, Mary Parent, Jerry Tatro, Denise Brier, Scott Patterson, Jackey Garrow, Kelly Nuovo, Annie Button, Amber Kneen, Richard Ploof, Jessica Pomerleau-Honlon, Kaida, Father Jordan, a Parishioner, Betsy Snider, Peter Fournier, Tara Stubbs, Gloria Weld, Steven Tracy, Gerry Seewaldt, Alexander Walter, Geoff Jackson, Sandy Paquette, the recently deceased, and all Soldiers. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jeannette Hoffman, sister of Susan Garrow, who passed away on 04/01/21
To add someone to the prayer line please call Suzanne Lavalla @ 848-7462

Receipts: March 28, 2021

All Saints Amount needed in Sunday Offertory \$1,440.00

Easter Sunday	1,840.00
Good Friday (Holy Land)	367.00

St. Isidore Amount needed in Sunday Offertory \$705.00

Easter Sunday	1,095.00
Good Friday (Holy Land)	67.00
Votive Candles	63.00
Donation	500.00

Thank you to all who are supporting our parishes with your monetary gifts and offerings. God bless you ever more!

Second Collection:

April 11: Food Shelf * April 18: Energy**

Calendar of Events:

~Sunday, April 11th: Confessions at 2pm and recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy @3pm at All Saints
~Friday, April 16th: Rosary Cenacle at All Saints at 6:00pm
Please join us as the world needs our prayers
~Sunday Mornings @All Saints: Recitation of the Holy Rosary

Christ Our Hope Campaign

Our Parish Goals and Progress: (updated 02/09/2021)

All Saints – \$14,392 raised toward goal of \$77,643 ~ 19%
St. Isidore – \$11,360 raised toward goal of 40,539 ~ 28%

Thank you for supporting our bulletin:

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What will God deny to a prayer which proceeds from spirit and truth, seeing it is He who demands it? How great are the proofs of its efficacy which we read and hear and believe ... It absolves sins, drives back temptations, quenches persecutions, strengthens the weak-hearted, delights the high-minded, brings home wayfarers, stills the waves, confounds robbers, feeds the poor, rules the rich, lifts up the fallen, supports the unstable, upholds them that stand. The angels pray, all of them. The whole creation prays. Cattle and wild beasts pray, and bend their knees, and in coming forth from their stalls and lairs look up to heaven, their mouth not idle, making the spirit move in their own fashion. Moreover the birds taking flight lift themselves up to heaven and instead of hands spread out the cross of their wings, while saying something which may be supposed to be a prayer. What more then of the obligation of prayer? Even the Lord Himself prayed: to Him be honor and power for ever and ever.
~ Tertullian On Prayer

HOW TO GIVE EVERY ACTION INESTIMABLE VALUE

The first act of every good Christian in the morning is to fall on his knees and make his Morning Offering. It can be done in this wise:

"Sacred Heart of Jesus, through the most pure hands of Mary, I offer Thee all the prayers, works and sufferings, all the actions of this day and of all my life, in union with the Masses being offered all over the world, for the intentions of Thy Sacred Heart and for the Apostleship of Prayer. Every breath I draw, every beating of my heart, every glance of my eyes, every step I take, every single act I do, I wish to be an act of love for Thee."

This little act takes one minute, but it must be done slowly and with full deliberation. We must mean what we say. It is a short act, but it gives immense value to every action. Our every act, as a consequence, gives glory to God and receives a distinct reward in Heaven.

This offering has still more value if, from time to time during the day, we renew it by saying briefly: "All for You, dear Lord."

Who can be so foolish as to neglect this sacred obligation, yet many make the act in a careless, distracted fashion. Some do not make it at all! All the saints and holy writers attach the gravest importance to the Morning Offering.

**The Contagious Catholic:
The Art of Practical Evangelization
Book Study**

Wednesdays 1:30-2:30pm at St. Isidore Parish
Hall from April 21st - June 9th

How can we share the joy of our faith? How can
we share Jesus with others?

We have books for you to borrow!
Questions contact Kelly Lagasse at
lagassekelly@yahoo.com

The Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer

“Our Savior is in the Garden, and we too, have entered with Him, in spirit, upon the way of the cross. Already we can hear the clamor of the multitude, the deicidal shouts ... the blasphemies, the insults. Why then the Preface, which is a *chant of thanksgiving*, of joy, and of triumph? Why? As the Sacrifice is drawing near, the Church is happy, because she remembers the great mercies of God, and bursts forth with a joyous ... ‘Raise up your hearts’ ... ‘Let us give thanks to the Lord our God’. And according to the liturgical year, the Church recounts the reason for this great joy.

“But the priest begins to realize his weakness and insignificance in the sight of God. In his song of thanksgiving he stammers like an infant. Conscious of his inability to praise and thank God as he should, he calls upon the angels to take up the joyful strain where he leaves off. The priest joins his hands, humbly bows his head, lowers his voice, and merely recites the Sanctus, the eternal ‘*Holy, Holy, Holy,*’ of the *angel choirs of heaven* before the throne of the Triune God. The symbolism is beautifully brought out ... when the choir [and the people join the singing] of the Sanctus.”

The scene comes from the sixth chapter of the Prophet Isaiah, where we read: *I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings; with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called out to another and said, “Holy, Holy, Holy, is the LORD of hosts, The whole earth is full of His glory.” And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke. Then I said, “Woe is me, for I am ruined! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I live among a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.”* (Is 6:1-5) The Sanctus should remind us to humble ourselves before the Lord Who is about to be made truly present on the altar.

“After the Sanctus, the song of heaven, there is heard again the praise of earth, the Benedictus and the Hosanna (‘Blessed,’ ‘Save and protect’ – expressions of joy), the chant which the Hebrew children sang at the *triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday* ... The joys of triumph on Palm Sunday were of short duration. Only a few days later, the same people who had received Jesus in triumph with the Benedictus and Hosannas, loudly clamor for His death. Oh what a contrast!”

In the Gospel of St. John read this: *Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name, beholding His signs which He was doing. But Jesus, on His part, was not entrusting Himself to them, for He knew all men, and because He did not need anyone to bear witness concerning man for He Himself knew what was in man* (Jn 2:23-25). The Sanctus with its Hosannas, and the remembrance of the betrayal unto our Lord’s death, should cause us to prepare our hearts well at this time of the Mass, that Christ, Who knows what’s in us might soon entrust Himself happily to us in the Holy Communion.

The Five Holy Wounds

The wounds on Christ’s sacred body are often narrowed down to the “Five Holy Wounds,” which includes the wounds on His right hand, left hand, right foot, left foot and side. These were commemorated in the liturgy during the Easter Vigil when the priest placed five grains of incense in the Paschal Candle in honor of the five wounds. The Rosary has traces of this devotion, in the five Our Father interspersed among the Hail Mary beads. St. Gertrude promoted devotion to the Five Holy Wounds. After meditating on His wounds, she saw Jesus in a vision. He told her, “Behold in what glory I now appear to you. I will appear in the same manner to you at your death, and will cover all the stains of your sins, and of those also who salute My Wounds with the same devotion.”

The Merits of Suffering

Suffering is thought by many to be the great evil of life. Oh, if they could only avoid it! If they did find a way of avoiding it, that would be the greatest evil of their lives. Our Lord has given us a most perfect redemption. He could have dispensed the law of suffering if He so willed. Why does God, being of infinite goodness and mercy, ask us to suffer? For the simple reason that suffering is a very great grace. Our suffering is a share, a small but most valuable share, in the Passion of Our Dear Lord. It is priceless in value— if we only accept it and offer it in union with Christ’s Passion. He has suffered unspeakable agonies for each one of us. Are we such arrant cowards as to refuse to suffer a little for Him? How little gratitude we show for all that He has done for us! The easiest and best way of thanking Him is to offer our daily crosses and trials for love of Him.

The one big trouble about suffering is that we do not know how to suffer. We have no idea of its merits. The secret is to suffer with patience and serenity. Then suffering loses all its sting, all its bitterness. If we only remember that it is Our Sweet Lord Himself who asks us to bear these daily trials for love of Him, suffering loses its horrors. God gives us abundant strength and grace to bear our crosses, if we ask Him. Many good and pious Christians never think of asking God to help them to bear their crosses! Therefore, their crosses weigh heavily on them. Our sufferings are the purest gold in our lives. Five minutes’ suffering is of greater worth than twenty years of pleasure and happiness. The Son of God suffered, His Immaculate Mother suffered, the Apostles, the Saints, all God’s friends suffered. Suffering therefore must be a great grace.

One of the most lamentable evils in our human lives is that we lose the immense rewards which our sufferings ought to merit. We fear suffering, we hate it, we revolt. It is not the suffering, but this revolt, that makes suffering unbearable and makes us cross, irritable, peevish. On the other hand, suffering borne patiently brings out all the beautiful traits of our character. It refines us as fire purifies and refines gold. One fact well worth remembering is that our daily sufferings, the least as well as the greatest, if borne well, merit for us a crown of martyrdom. A second is that the priceless graces and rewards which our sufferings should bring us are lost if suffering is borne badly. Consequently, let us remember this about suffering:

- 1) That it is our share of the Passion of Jesus Christ; therefore, it has indescribable merit.
- 2) That, if borne with patience for the love of God, it loses all its sting and bitterness.
- 3) That if we ask God, He will most certainly give us abundant strength to bear the sufferings He sends us.
- 4) Our sufferings will save us from the fearful pains of Purgatory.
- 5) Suffering, well borne, makes us saints.