



## The Catholic Parishes of Athens & Meigs Counties

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### RE: April 17/Divine Mercy Sunday Update

**Easter Blessings!** We hope you have had a good week celebrating the Easter Octave. Let us take the joy and lessons of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter into our hearts, minds, and actions in the days and weeks to come, proclaiming the Good News of our Salvation!

This weekend, we celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday**. Confessions will be heard on Saturday at 10:00 AM at Christ the King and Sacred Heart Churches. Mass will be streamed on Sunday at 10:00 AM. Click [here](#) for the direct link to Sunday's livestream. Click [here](#) to find the readings for this weekend.

### Scholarship Update

High school seniors from St. Paul and Christ the King Parishes can still apply for the St. Paul Scholarship. Please call the office for more information or stop by during office hours (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:00AM - 5:00PM; Friday 9:00 AM - noon) to pick up an application.

### Praying with Mary, Our Mother

Come and join us online for prayer and learning. As we approach the month of May, let us call upon Mary, Our Mother.

Through the years, many titles have been used for Mary. We will explore a few of these and join together in prayer over Zoom. Meetings will last about an hour and each meeting will be limited to 8 people. After you sign up, you will receive an invitation to the meeting time you choose. Meetings will start this Monday, April 20 and run through the month of May.

Please contact Nancy Sand ([nsand@athenscatholic.org](mailto:nsand@athenscatholic.org)) if you have questions about the Praying with Mary, Our Mother Sessions.

**Be assured of our continued prayers for you during this time of social distancing. We can't wait until we can see you all in the pews again soon.**

## Litany of Trust

From the belief that I have to earn Your love... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From the fear that I am unlovable... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From the false security that I have what it takes... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From the fear that trusting You will leave me more destitute... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From all suspicion of Your words and promises... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From the rebellion against childlike dependency on You... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From refusals and reluctances in accepting Your will... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From anxiety about the future... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From resentment or excessive preoccupation with the past... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From restless self-seeking in the present moment... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From disbelief in Your love and presence... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From the fear of being asked to give more than I have... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From the belief that my life has no meaning or worth... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From the fear of what love demands... **Deliver me, Jesus.**  
From discouragement... **Deliver me, Jesus.**

That You are continually holding me, sustaining me, loving me... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That Your love goes deeper than my sins and failings and transforms me... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That not knowing what tomorrow brings is an invitation to lean on You... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You are with me in my suffering... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That my suffering, united to Your own, will bear fruit in this life and the next... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You will not leave me orphan, that You are present in Your Church... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That Your plan is better than anything else... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You always hear me and in Your goodness always respond to me... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You give me the grace to accept forgiveness and to forgive others... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You give me all the strength I need for what is asked... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That my life is a gift... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You will teach me to trust You... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You are my Lord and my God... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That I am Your beloved one... **Jesus, I trust in You.**

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