

April 24, 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Called to be the Agents of Mercy

We celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday** this week. The image of the Divine Mercy of Jesus, whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other "pale" (symbolizing water), with the words "Jesus, I trust in you" at the bottom, is as revealed to St. Mary Faustina by Jesus. She wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish".

The English word, mercy, goes back to the Latin: misericordia, which is composed of two words. "Cordia" is familiar to us from such words as "cardiologist" and "cardiac." It means heart. The first part, "miseri" refers to suffering. Mercy, then, means to have a heart for those who suffer or, more precisely, to have a heart willing to suffer for others.

As we have reflected the mercy of God throughout Lent, it's time to think why we need to show mercy to others. Rick Warren highlights **four** reasons to show mercy to others,

1. Show mercy to others because God has been merciful to you: The Bible says that God is merciful. It is emphasized all throughout the Bible. There are literally hundreds and hundreds of verses that talk about God's mercy and his love, his compassion, and his grace. Ephesians 2:4-5 says, "God's mercy is so abundant, and his love for us is so great, that while we were spiritually dead in our disobedience he brought us to life with Christ. It is by God's grace you have been saved". The point of that Scripture is this: God wants me to act in the same way to other people.

2. Show mercy to others because God commands you: In Micah 6:8, God speaks through the prophet to give us three big instructions for our lives. "The LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God". God says if you want a summary of what life's all about, and if you're going to be in his family, this is what's required of you: You need to do what is right with others, to love being merciful to others, and to live humbly in fellowship with God. One third of God's requirement for you on this planet is to learn mercy. Why? Because God is merciful.

3. Show mercy because you will need more mercy in the future: You're not going to be perfect between now and when you get to Heaven. The Bible tells us we cannot receive what we are unwilling to give. James 2:13 says, "You must show mercy to others, or God won't show mercy to you . . . But the person who shows mercy can stand without fear at the judgment". Don't you want to be able to do that on judgment day? To be able to stand without fear on judgment day? It says the person who shows mercy can stand without fear on the judgment day. It isn't the people who have kept more rules than anyone else who get to face their eternity with the greatest confidence. It is believers who have shown mercy to other people.

4. Show mercy because it produces happiness: Showing mercy brings happiness. The Bible teaches over and over that the more merciful I am, the happier I'm going to be. Proverbs 14:21 says, "If you want to be happy, be kind to the poor; it is a sin to despise anyone". Being kind to other people actually blesses you and makes you happier in life. And mercy certainly produces greater joy in those to whom you've shown it. Would you rather live in a world that is harsh or a world where the people around you value mercy? You get to help shape a world of mercy around you and allow more people to find freedom from their past when you're willing to show mercy.

Let's be the agents of Mercy by seeing miseries of people through God's eyes and being a vessel of God's Mercy to all those longing for inner healing.

Fr. Cryton

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM Sundays ~ 8 AM &10 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM First Saturdays 8:00 AM DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

Thursdays at 2:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM & Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass Benediction at 4:00 PM All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of April 24, 2022

Sat.	Apr. 23	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Dennis Kolba
Sun.	Apr. 24	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jack Koca
		10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tue.	Apr. 26	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Mary Buttner
Wed.	Apr. 27	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of John E. Walsh
Thu.	Apr. 28	8:00 AM	For all Deceased Members of the Howard G. Rose Family
Fri.	Apr. 29	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of <i>John Grzenia</i>
Sat.	Apr. 30	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of James Smart
Sun.	May 1	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Don Strack
		10:00 AM	For our Parishioners

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplewski, Emma Boehm, and Anna Madden.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Will Post, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

Congratulations to John Caliguri & Antoinette Crivello who were married in our church this weekend. Let us pray for God's blessings for the newlyweds!

SUNDAY SOCIAL—Sunday, April 24th after the 8 AM **Mass.** This is the last social until next fall. Please plan to come!

The PCCW Spring Banguet will be held Monday, May 9th at 5:30 PM at Castle Rock Golf Course. Please RSVP by April 29th to Lynn Levandoski at 262-812-6374 or call the rectory. We will be having the golf course's famous chicken dinner. Cost is \$10 per person.

MEN'S RETREAT~ hosted by St. Joseph's Parish, Baraboo. ~ On Saturday, April 30th, all men are invited to the 16th annual retreat at Camp Gray and hosted by St. Joseph's - Baraboo Parish. Bishop Donald Hying will be speaking at this event. Activities during the day include Mass, small group discussion, Rosary, Confession, and adoration. The Saturday retreat begins at 8:00am and concludes by 3:30pm. To register, visit www.baraboocatholic.org/adult-faith-formation, or contact the St. Joseph's Faith Formation office at 356-5353.

Stewardship Corner ~ April 14th - 17th, 2022 (524 Registered Families)

**	WKLY BUDGETED GIVING	ACTUAL			
Adult Envelopes	\$8,384.62	\$ 6,802.00			
Easter		3,535.00			
On-Line Giving		1,574.00			
Children's Envelop	es 9.61	31.00			
Loose Offering	385.00	905.00			
Total Weekly Offer	ing: \$ 8,779.23	\$12,847.00			
Year-to-date* budg	\$368,727.63				
Year-to-date amou	\$380,886.59				
*Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to current date					

** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 145,603 for this fiscal year.

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Weekly Calendar						
Tuesday	Apr. 26	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church			
		6:30 PM	Holy Happy Hour			
Wednesday	Apr. 27	6:30 PM	Building & Grounds Mtg.			
		8:00 PM	Time of Prayer in Church			
Thursday	Apr. 28	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH			
		2:00 PM	Rosary in Church			
		6:30 PM	Fall Festival Mtg.—RH			
Friday	Apr. 29	8:30 AM	Friday Folders			

Thank you to all who were a part of the Triduum last weekend. Your time, your talent, your gifts for flowers, and your presence truly made the celebration of Jesus' resurrection a wonderful experience for all. We especially thank our musicians, decorators, and liturgical ministers.

Holy Happy Hour is this Tuesday, April 26th at 6:30 PM. All are invited to join us at State Street Tap for food, fellowship and a great discussion.

FALL FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING—THURSDAY, APRIL 28th AT 6:30 PM in Reardon Hall. We are asking ALL people involved with the festival and those interested in helping out this year to attend this meeting to help plan this year's Fall Festival. We need VOLUN-TEERS! Please consider coming to this meeting. Committee chairs-please invite your entire committee to come!

Bishop's Annual Appeal ~ Thank you to all who have returned their pledge cards so far. Our goal for this year is \$41,140. We currently have 88 families who have pledged \$33,301. If you did not receive a pledge card, please give the rectory office a call and we will be happy to send one to you.

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP will be in early May. Please have all items that you wish to save removed by May <u>1st</u>.

Congratulations to our First Communicants who will be receiving their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 1st. Let us all pray for these young people as they make this important step in their faith journey.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of April 23rd & 24th Saturday, 5:00 PM Lector: Steve Hesprich Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser Servers: Nolan Powers, Ryleigh Vinopal, & Gracey Kobylski Musicians: Greeters: Anita, Danelle & Avalynn Lubinski Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler, Bill Powers Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: Larry Moore Eucharistic Minister: Marion Koca Servers: Cody Komiskey Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary Greeters: Larry & Tina Moore, Bridget Neitzel Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Treml, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Bill Curran

Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran Servers: Carter Field, Beau Barreau, Leia Kocyan Musicians: Ann Benz, Swanson Greeters: Kris Mazur, Jane Powers Ushers: Jon Field, Clinton Pouillie, Eli & Johannes Boppart

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of April 30th & May 1st Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Steve Hesprich Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Quist Servers: Jack Vinopal , Landynn and Theron Miller Musicians: John & Nancy Noga Greeters: Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler, Bill Powers **Sunday, 8:00 AM** Lector: David Hoffman Eucharistic Minister: Vicki Boehm

Servers: Seth Schwedrsky, Carson Demaske, Canaan Becker Musicians:

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey, Kevin Quist

Ushers: John Walsh, Jeanne Walsh, Jim and Mary Ann Allaby Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Howard Boppart Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart Servers: Kaden Cook, Johnny & Eddy Riley Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling Greeters: Bill Thill, Nancy Horabik Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

Divine Mercy Sunday

Masses on Saturday, April 23— 5PM and Sunday, April 24— 8AM and 10AM Adoration & Confessions will follow the 10AM Mass Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 11:45 AM Benediction at 12 noon

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Padre Jose Polish Party—Saturday, May 14th from 4 PM to 9 PM at Memories Ballroom in Marathon City. Family Friendly Polish Dinner, Live Music, Raffle Baskets, Dancing. \$30 per adult (\$10 for dance only). Celebrating Fr. Joe Walijewski and his legacy.

Just a Reminder—Scrip is sold during the week at the SCHOOL office. You can stop by to purchase it during our office hours or call or e-mail ahead and we will have your order ready for you to pick up. <u>Please support our school by using Scrip.</u>

The family of Don Vinopal wishes to say thank you for the love and support we received. We are grateful for all the cards, flowers, visits, food and prayers that were given to us. Knowing that we were not alone helped us through our grief and sadness. Thank you for being there for us. A special thank you to the wonderful people at Tomah Hospice for their compassion and dedication during our difficult time.

The Don Vinopal Family

ADDITIONAL EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

Living & Deceased Members of the James W. Bohen Family

Living & Deceased Members of the Thomas W. Riley Family

200 ENVELOPES FUNDRAISER

This week, 20 envelopes were returned bringing our total to 115 envelopes for a total of \$10,965.00. Thank you!

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Divine Mercy 101 with Fr. Chris Alar, MIC

"Divine Mercy is the urgent message of hope for our world. Learn the powerful devotion and graces associated with it in this dynamic presentation with Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, filmed live at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

Divine Mercy 101 provides a clear and concise overview of Divine Mercy and the role and mission of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), the apostle of Divine Mercy whom St. John Paul II called ""a gift of God to our time.""

Those who are new to Divine Mercy as well as those looking to achieve an advanced level of knowledge will find this presentation ideal. The instructional format makes it perfect for religious education classes, prayer groups, and individuals.

Jesus told St. Faustina, ""Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy."""

To watch this video as well as hundreds of other movies, go to formed.org.

Prayer Opportunities

Hour of Mercy: Tuesdays from 3 PM to 4 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world.

Wednesday Evening Prayer Time: The church will be open on Wednesday evenings at 8 PM for a time of prayer. Please feel free to join as / when you are able.

Praying the Rosary: Join us on Thursdays at 2 PM in church to pray the rosary. Our intention is for "peace in Eastern Europe and throughout the world." The rosary is live-streamed on our parish Facebook page.

Holy Hour: Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.

