THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY Sunday, April 16, 2023

In our times of great unrest either in our own personal lives and throughout the world God will soon send His Divine Justice but first he has promised his Divine Mercy. Time is very short and no one knows what tomorrow will bring. Now is the time to take advantage of God's great mercy and love for us.

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(Words of our Lord to Saint Maria Faustina – Diary1109)

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Join us at

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Newport, Vermont

Mass at 11:00 am
Adoration 12:30 until 3:00 pm
Confession 12:30 to 2:30 pm
Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm Followed with Benediction & Communion

Requirements for the Feast of Divine Mercy

Sunday, April 16, 2023 at St. Mary's Church, Newport

The Supreme Pontiff, Motivated by an ardent desire to foster in Christians this devotion to Divine Mercy as much as possible in the hope of great spiritual fruit to the faithful, in the Audience granted on June 13, 2002 to those Responsible for the Apostolic Penitentiary, granted a *Plenary Indulgence* under the usual conditions.

Our Lords words to Saint Faustina about the requirement to be merciful are very strong and leave no room for misinterpretation:

Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Divine Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy...I demand from you deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to your neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to excuse or absolve yourself from it (Diary 742).

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy". (Mt5:7)

TO FITTINGLY OBSERVE THE FEAST OF MERCY AND OBTAIN A PLENARY INDULGENCE WE SHOULD:

- 1. Celebrate the Feast on the Sunday after Easter;
- 2. Sincerely repent of all our sins;
- 3. Place our complete trust in Jesus;
- 4. Go to confession, preferably before that Sunday;
- 5 Receive a worthy Holy Communion on the day of the Feast;
- 6. Venerate * the Image of the Divine Mercy; *To venerate a sacred image or statue simply means to perform some act or make some gesture of deep religious respect toward it because of the person whom it represents—in this case, Our Merciful Lord.
- 7. Be merciful to others through our words, actions and prayers.
- 8. Recite the Our Father, Creed and adding "Merciful Jesus, I Trust in you".
- 9. Prayers for the Holy Father.

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The Nine Day Novena to the Divine Mercy Begins on Good Friday. Pamphlets at each church.