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*"I am the living bread that
came down from heaven, says
the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will
live forever."*

John 6:51



Jesus, I Trust in You

New 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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***Nineteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 8, 2021***

Parish Membership

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

Parish Office/Rectory

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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 7**

4:00 pm (V) People of the Parish &
 † Michael Gregorio,
 † M. Dowling & Dowling Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am † Rafaelita Caparas (Death Anniversary)
 9:30 am † Rocky & Dolores Cassio
 11:00 am (FBL) † Pepita Maria Castilla
 12:30 pm (SP, FBL) † Cirina Luna Salazar,
 † Margarita Salazar
 & † Alicia Rodriguez

MONDAY, AUGUST 9*Feast of Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross*

12:00 pm † Josephine Strittmatter

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10*Feast of Saint Lawrence*

12:00 pm † Mercy Magalong Claravall
 7:00 pm (SP) † Wilson Morales Matamoros

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11*Feast of Saint Clare*

12:00 pm † Juliet Oberlin

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12*Feast of Saint Jane Frances de Chantal*

12:00 pm † Magdalena Hernandez

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13*Feast of Saints Pontian & Hippolytus*

12:00 pm † Marylou Sweetman

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14*Feast of Saint Maximilian Kolbe*

9:00 am † Stuart Santiago
 4:00 pm (V) People of the Parish &
 † Frank Bianculli

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

8:00 am † Frank Sullivan
 9:30 am † Phil & Ann Galleta
 11:00 am (FBL) † Antonio Rodriguez
 12:30 pm (SP, FBL) † Albert Reitemeyer
 5:00 pm (F) † Narding Domingo & Manolito Reyes

Legend: (V) Vigil Mass, (SP) Spanish Mass, (F) Filipino Mass,
 (FBL) Facebook Livestreamed Mass @ the parish
FB page [Divine Mercy Parish, Rahway NJ](https://divinemercurahway.church/mass-intentions)

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**THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY****SUNDAY, AUGUST 8**

12:00 PM Food Pantry (Annex Building)
 1:30 PM BLD Praise (Library)

MONDAY, AUGUST 9

7:00 PM Parish Bible Study (104)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00 PM Guadalupano (Church)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

7:00 PM Baptism Class (104)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

1:00 PM Flamenco (103)
 7:00 PM Rosary Guadalupano (Church)
 7:30 PM John XXIII (203)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

6:30 PM BLD (Church, Aud, Library)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

8:00 AM BLD Retreat (Aud)
 10:00 AM Baptism Class Spanish
 12:00 PM Baptism Amelia Dimarco
 4:00 PM BLD DCS (201)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

12:00 PM Food Pantry (Annex Building)
 1:30 PM BLD Praise (Library)
 5:00 PM Filipino Mass (Church)

Posted @ <https://divinemercurahway.church/announcements>

**For the Recently Deceased of the Parish**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, let's pray for the soul of *Ana Celia Mendez* and *Janice McEwen*. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Perpetual Adoration @ St. John the Apostle

You are invited to visit our Lord Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament any time of the day or night at St. John the Apostle Church. The Chapel will celebrate its 25th anniversary on Dec. 8, 2021. Please dedicate an hour for our Lord. For information please visit their website <http://www.sjanj.net/ministries/perpetual-adoration/>



ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (**RCIA**) is now accepting registrations for the Fall Session that will begin in September 2021. **This is both given in English and Spanish.**

RCIA is the process by which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic faith community, intended for anyone over the age of 18 and could be any of the following unbaptized, a baptized Christian from another denomination, a baptized Catholic but has not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion & Confirmation and those who want to learn and grow in the Catholic Faith.

CCD Program Calls for Volunteers

Utilize your skills that you've been blessed with to do God's work! Volunteers are needed to help as a Catechist, teacher assistant, office help and technical help, to name a few. If interested, please send an email with your contact information to ccd@divinemercyrahway.church or to susie@divinemercyrahway.church and someone will reach out to you. Once approved, you must submit a volunteer application, undergo a background screening and obtain certification in the workshop, Protecting God's Children, that will be offered at a later date. Deadline for the submission of application is August 15, 2021.

Prayer to Saint Joseph

(Prayer after the Rosary)

To you, O blessed Joseph,
do we come in our tribulation,
and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse,
we confidently invoke your patronage also.
Through that charity which bound you
to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God
and through the paternal love
with which you embraced the Child Jesus,
we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance
which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood,
and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family,
defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ;
O most loving father, ward off from us
every contagion of error and corrupting influence;
O our most mighty protector, be kind to us
and from heaven assist us in our struggle
with the power of darkness.
As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril,
so now protect God's Holy Church
from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity;
shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection,
so that, supported by your example and your aid,
we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness,
and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

* NEW BAPTISM SCHEDULE

Effective immediately, Baptism in English and Spanish will only be done on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. Please note that a baptism date is set depending on the availability of the priest. All other Baptisms requested outside of the Baptism schedule is a special request. Special request baptism has an extra charge of \$50.

* FREE GROCERIES, FREE RIDE

The Social Services apostolate of Divine Mercy Church headed by Ms. Diana Chavez is offering free groceries and free delivery for people who are homebound. She will also provide free ride to senior citizens and those who have no cars. Please refer people in need to Diana at tel# 732-535-0278 or email her at service@divinemercyrahway.church. Groceries are donated by our generous benefactors.

* HOSPITAL VISITS

For the spiritual needs of your sick family members, please call our hospital Chaplain, Fr. Jozef Krajnak Ph.D. at 732-877-6835.

* CCD PROGRAM 2021 - 2022

Registration for CCD is now open. Fees are now set to regular rates. Start of classes is on Sept. 12, 2021. Please register your child online through the parish website <https://divinemercyrahway.church/>. For questions please email the CCD coordinator, Janice Marron at ccd@divinemercyrahway.church or the director of religious education Suzie Atienza at susie@divinemercyrahway.church.

* RESPECT FOR LIFE RETREAT

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect for Life Office will be hosting two Rachel's Vineyard retreats to heal the wounds of abortion. Dates are Sept. 10-12, 2021 (English) & Oct. 22-24, 2021 (Spanish). For details please call 973-497-4350 or email Cheryl.riley@rcan.org, elvinedoderaquelin@rcan.org



SUPPORT OUR SOUP KITCHEN

Our Parish has a feeding program for the poor every Sunday @ 12:00 pm. Any act of kindness and generosity to help this program will be very much appreciated. Please keep them in your prayers. Please reach out to **Jeanne O' Connor** and/or **Joanne Reinhart** on Sundays at the Annex Building behind Divine Mercy Church if interested to help. **God bless!**



GIFTS AND OFFERINGS



The **Tabernacle Lamp** is being offered for
† Albert F. Reitemeyer.



The **Altar Bread** is being offered for
† John R. Reitemeyer.

The **Altar Wine** is being offered for
† Margaret Reitemeyer



The **Altar Candles** are being offered for
† Albert F. Reitemeyer.



Sacramental Schedule

Confession Weekdays after the 12 pm mass
Saturdays 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm or call the priest for
an appointment

Baptism Call or email the parish office to make an appointment with the priest.

Marriage Couples planning marriage must notify the Parish office a year in advance for date and requirements. Call or email the parish office to make an appointment with a priest.

Anointing of the Sick Contact a priest at any time. Hospital visits are still limited due to Covid-19.



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

St. Joseph for 2021

Novena on Wednesday after the 12:00 pm Mass,
Every 19th of the month



Please remember to include our parish
in your prayers.

Everyone can remit weekly offerings to
our Parish by

signing up at Parish Giving online. It is

fast, secure and easy. Thank you and be safe. God bless.



Divine Mercy Parish

Worship Apostolate

Rosary Society

Filipino Community Mass every 3rd Sunday of the month

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

Spanish Community

Reuniones Hispanas

Eucaristía Dominical

12:30 pm

Bautizos Por favor llamar la oficina de Lunes a Viernes. Bautismos cada segundo & cuatro Sabado del mes

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

Reconciliación Cada Martes Despues de la Misa 12:00 pm Y de la 7:00 pm, Cada Miercoles Despues 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 Chavez (732)535-0278

Educación Religiosa llamada (732)382-0004

Movimiento Juan XXIII Jueves 8:00 pm Aula #104

Grupo Guadalupano Martes 7:00 pm Iglesia

Grupo Juvenil "Angeles de Jesús"

"Grupos Voluntarios Limpian La Iglesia"

Mil Ave Marias - Cada Primera Semana del mes, Miercoles manana

Juan XXIII - Cada Segunda Semana del mes, Sábado

Guadalupanos - Cada Tercera semana del mes, Sábado



Stress in Your Marriage!

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?

Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?

Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down?
Have you thought about separation or divorce?
Does talking about it only make it worse?

...Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

UPCOMING WEEKEND: August 13-15, 2021

TO REGISTER or for more information: Call Rich & Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or email 3024@retrouvaille.org

SUNDAY REFLECTION

First Reading: *1 Kings 19:4-8*

The Lord feeds Elijah, strengthening him for his journey to Horeb.

Second Reading: *Ephesians 4:30—5:2*

The Ephesians are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel Reading: *John 6:41-51*

Jesus responds to the murmurs of the crowd, who wonders what he means when he says that he came down from heaven.

Reflection

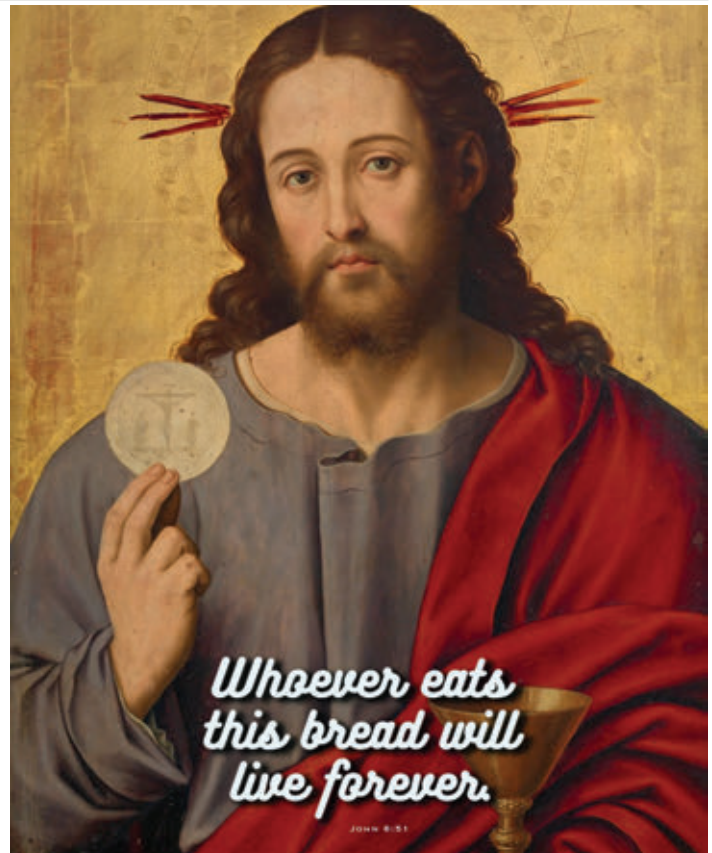
Meditation: God offers his people abundant life, but we can miss it. What is the *bread of life* which Jesus offers? It is first of all the life of God himself - life which sustains us not only now in this age but also in the age to come. The Rabbis said that *the generation in the wilderness have no part in the life to come*. In the Book of Numbers it is recorded that the people who refused to brave the dangers of the promised land were condemned to wander in the wilderness until they died. The Rabbis believed that the father who missed the promised land also missed the life to come. God sustained the Israelites in the wilderness with manna from heaven. This bread foreshadowed the true heavenly bread which Jesus would offer his followers.

The food that makes us live forever.

When we receive from the Lord's table we unite ourselves to Jesus Christ, who makes us sharers in his body and blood and partakers of his divine life. Ignatius of Antioch (35-107 A.D.), an early church father and martyr, calls it the "one bread that provides the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, and the food that makes us live for ever in Jesus Christ" (*Ad Eph. 20,2*). This supernatural food is healing for both body and soul and strength for our journey heavenward.

Do you hunger for the "bread of life"?

Jesus offers us the abundant supernatural life of heaven itself - but we can miss it or even refuse it. To refuse Jesus is to refuse eternal life, unending life with the Heavenly Father. To accept Jesus as the *bread of heaven* is not only life and spiritual nourishment for this world but glory in the world to come. When you approach the Table of the Lord, what do you expect to receive?



Healing, pardon, comfort, and rest for your soul? The Lord has much more for us, more than we can ask or imagine. The principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist or Lord's Supper is an intimate union with Christ. As bodily nourishment restores lost strength, so the Eucharist strengthens us in charity and enables us to break with disordered attachments to creatures and to be more firmly rooted in the love of Christ. Do you hunger for the "bread of life"?

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, you are the *living bread* which sustains me in this life. May I always hunger for the *bread which comes from heaven* and find in it the nourishment and strength I need to love and serve you wholeheartedly. May I always live in the joy, peace, and unity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, both now and in the age to come.

Reflection excerpted from <https://www.dailyscripture.net/daily-meditation/>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

1 Kings 19 : 4 - 8

Psalms 34 : 2 - 3, 4 - 5, 6 - 7, 8 - 9

Ephesians 4 : 30 - 5:2

Gospel from John 6 : 41 - 51



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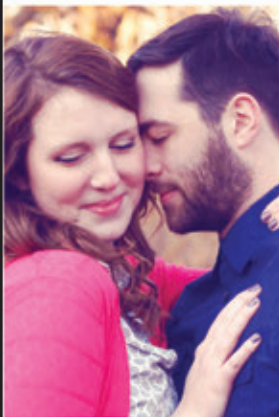
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