

Mar 25 & 26, 2023 The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Mass Times and Intentions

Week of March 25 & 26

Saturday	6:30 pm	No Intention
Sunday	10:30 am	No Intention
Monday	6:30 pm	Mass
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Mass at St. Thomas
Wednesday	8:00 am	Mass
Thursday	*****	
Friday	8:00 am	Mass at St. Thomas /*Stations of the Cross, 7 pm, St. Thomas

Week of April 1 & 2

Saturday	6:30 pm	For the parishioners of St. Mary’s and St. Thomas
Sunday *	10:45 am	For the repose of the soul of Celeste Breza

Join us as we recite the Holy Rosary every Saturday evening at 6 pm and Sunday morning at 10 am.

PRAYER CONCERNS

For all our sick and shut-ins, as well as our troops. For all who have died and all members of St. Mary’s & St. Thomas. For Prayer Chain requests please call Cathy Kennedy at 644 5073.



†Eucharistic Adoration† Wednesday mornings after 8:00 am Mass
Reconciliation Wednesday’s after Mass/Saturday’s 6-6:20 pm

Chrism Mass / Cathedral of St. Joseph: April 4, 11 am. At this special Mass celebrated by Bishop Coyne, the Oil of Chrism is consecrated, the Oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the priests within the Diocese of Burlington recommit themselves to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

Walk to Mary: Saturday May 20 / Isle LaMotte • 9 am - 2 pm Join us for a 2.3 mile walk from St. Joseph, Isle La Motte, to St. Anne’s Shrine starting, praying the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet while we walk, Mass at 11 am, a break for lunch, then Stations of the Cross for Life at 1 pm. FOR MORE INFO: contact Janice (802) 848-3834, janicegodin@myfairpoint.net or Renee (802) 370-2231 or rjpatterson1962@gmail.com with any questions.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mar 27
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Jn 8:1-11

Mar 28
Nm 21:4-9
Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21
Jn 8:21-30

Mar 29
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56
Jn 8:31-42

Mar 30
Gn 17:3-9
Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Jn 8:51-59

Mar 31
Jer 20:10-13
Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7
Jn 10:31-42

Apr 1
Ez 37:21-28
Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13
Jn 11:45-56

Apr 2
Mt 21:1-11
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
Phil 2:6-11
Mt 26:14—27:66

St. Faustina and The Extraordinary Promise of Divine Mercy

St. Maria Faustina Kowalska was born Helena Kowalska on Aug 25, 1905 in Poland. At an early age she desired a religious vocation and on Aug. 1, 1925, as a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, she took the name Sister Maria Faustina of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

In 1935 she had a vision of an angel sent by God to chastise a certain city. She began to pray for mercy and heard these words interiorly: Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement of our sins and those of the whole world; for the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us . The next day our Lord spoke to her again and referred to this prayer as a Chaplet and asked her to add the words 'and on the whole world' after 'have mercy on us'.

In a subsequent revelation our Lord made it clear to her that this Chaplet was not just for her but for the whole world to recite and asked her to encourage all people to do so. He spoke of His desire to pour out extra-ordinary graces of mercy upon sinners each year on one special day, The Feast of Divine Mercy (celebrated the first Sunday after Easter). He said to her "I desire that the Feast of Divine Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." He promised every grace to souls who would recite this as a Novena on the nine days before the Feast. This 'special grace' consists of the total remission of sins and punishment, essentially the grace of baptism!

To receive the Extraordinary Graces of this Feast, one must receive Holy Communion, worthily, on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil Celebration) by making a good confession beforehand, staying in a state of grace and having total trust in His Divine Mercy. What does it mean to 'make a good confession'? In order to make a good confession one must make a sincere examination of conscience. Doing so will reveal to you your sins. When we let our sins get in the way and fail to repent we block His mercy. As we get closer to God the easier it becomes to recognize our weaknesses. Take the time to say "I'm sorry".

The Conversion Prayer of Divine Mercy: You expired dear Jesus but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelope the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I TRUST IN YOU!(repeat 3x)

The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated on Sunday, April 16. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung following Mass that day. You will find a pamphlet for Divine Mercy at the doors. Please help yourself!

Please note Mass on Palm Sunday begins at 10:45am
Our Holy Week schedule is now available at the doors

Special Collection this weekend for our Easter Flowers

PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY EVERY DAY!
Jesus is coming back! Are you ready?

Offertory Receipts for 3/18 & 19
FY23 Weekly Goal: \$1,098

Last Week	= \$	1149.00
YTD Actual	= \$	38578.06
YTD Budget	= \$	40626.00
Over (Under)	= \$	(2047.94)

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