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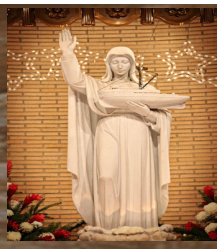
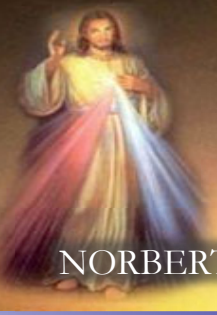


SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY — APRIL 11, 2021



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"My Lord and my God!"

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Monday to Friday 8:00 am
5:15 pm
Saturday: 8:00 am
Weekend: Saturday 5:15 pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday: 7:30 am
9:00 am
10:30 am (Spanish)
12:00 noon (English/2nd reading in Italian)
1:30 pm (Croatian)

Holy Days of Obligation:
5:15 pm (Vigil)
8:00 am

Reconciliation (Confessions):
Wednesday during Holy Hour: 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am

Rosary: Monday - Friday:
7:30 am
4:45 pm

All Parish, Federal & State Holidays, there will be only one Mass at 9:00 a.m.

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Dear Mary Star of the Sea Parishioners:

I wish you all a Blessed Easter Octave and Divine Mercy Sunday. One of God's Greatest Attributes is His Mercy. Today we as the Universal Church celebrate that very Ocean of His Mercy. Below is some history and facts about the Message of Divine Mercy. I hope you enjoy it. Have a Blessed Week and hope to see you today at the special 3:00pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour.

Fr. Harrigan
Pastor

St. Pope John Paul II

The Great Pope of Mercy

Pope John Paul II, both in his teaching and personal life, strove to live and teach the message of Divine Mercy. As the great Mercy Pope, he wrote an encyclical on Divine Mercy:
"The Message of Divine Mercy has always been near and dear to me… which I took with me to the See of Peter and which it in a sense forms the image of this Pontificate."
In his writings and homilies, he has described Divine Mercy as the answer to the world's problems and the message of the third millennium. He beatified and canonized Sr. Maria Faustina Kowalska, the nun associated with the message, and he did it in Rome and not in Poland to underscore that Divine Mercy is for the whole world.

Establishing Divine Mercy Sunday for the Entire Church

When Pope John Paul canonized Sr. Faustina (making her St. Faustina), he also, on the same day, surprised the entire world by establishing Divine Mercy Sunday (the feast day associated with the message) as a feast day for the entire Church. The feast day falls on the Second Sunday of the Easter season. On that day, Pope John Paul II declared, "This is the happiest day of my life."

Entrusting the World to Divine Mercy

In 2002, the Pope entrusted the whole world to Divine Mercy when he consecrated the International Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Lagiewniki, a suburb of Krakow in Poland. This is where St. Faustina's mortal remains are entombed. The saint lived in a convent nearby. The Pope himself remembers as a young man working in the Solvay Quarry, just a few meters from the present-day Shrine. He also says that he had been thinking about Sr. Faustina for a long time when he wrote his encyclical on Divine Mercy. Further, the Holy Father has frequently quoted from the *Diary of St. Faustina* and has prayed The Chaplet of The Divine Mercy at the saint's tomb.

Beyond the Life of John Paul II

Given all these connections to Divine Mercy and St. Faustina, is it any wonder that Pope John Paul II died on the Vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday (the evening before the feast day), which fell that year on April 3. It is also no surprise that the Great Mercy Pope left us a message for Divine Mercy Sunday, which was read on the feast day by a Vatican official to the faithful in St. Peter's after a Mass that had been celebrated for the repose of the soul of the Pope.
Repeatedly Pope John Paul II has written and spoken about the need for us to turn to the mercy of God as the answer to the specific problems of our times. He has placed a strong and significant focus on the Divine Mercy message and devotion throughout his pontificate that will carry the Church long after his death.

Prayers for the Sick

Donna Girard
Jed Jones

Names stay on the Sick List for 3 weeks. To renew, please call the Parish Office; You can also send us the names to be prayed for through email at bulletin@marystar.org , or give us a call at (310) 833-3541 ext. 200.

In Memoriam

- Gemiano Cabangon Jr
- Rafael Covian
- Rosalia Giordano
- Christine Gonzales
- Richard Jacobelly
- Maria Rojas
- Edward Sanchez Sr

The Pope's Intentions for APRIL 2021

Universal Intention: – Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Dear Parishioners of Mary Star:

Below is an ancient prayer to St. Joseph asking his protection and help in all our need.
I encourage you to recite it each day in honor of this Year dedicated to St. Joseph.

May God Reward You.
Fr. Harrigan

Prayer to St. Joseph

O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me all spiritual blessings through your Divine Son, Jesus, so that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.

O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath.

St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, please pray for me. Amen.

April 11
Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy

First Reading	Acts 4:32-35
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 *R/."Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting."*
Second Reading	1 Jn 5:1-6
Gospel Acclamation	*"You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; Blessed are those who have not seen me, but still believe! "*
Gospel	Jn 20:19-31

Evangelio
Jn 20, 19-31

Al anochecer del día de la resurrección, estando cerradas las puertas de la casa donde se hallaban los discípulos, por miedo a los judíos, se presentó Jesús en medio de ellos y les dijo: "La paz esté con ustedes". Dicho esto, les mostró las manos y el costado. Cuando los discípulos vieron al Señor, se llenaron de alegría.

De nuevo les dijo Jesús: "La paz esté con ustedes. Como el Padre me ha enviado, así también los envío yo". Después de decir esto, sopló sobre ellos y les dijo: "Reciban el Espíritu Santo. A los que les perdonen los pecados, les quedarán perdonados; y a los que no se los perdonen, les quedarán sin perdonar".

Tomás, uno de los Doce, a quien llamaban el Gemelo, no estaba con ellos cuando vino Jesús, y los otros discípulos le decían: "Hemos visto al Señor". Pero él les contestó: "Si no veo en sus manos la señal de los clavos y si no meto mi dedo en los agujeros de los clavos y no meto mi mano en su costado, no creeré".

Ocho días después, estaban reunidos los discípulos a puerta cerrada y Tomás estaba con ellos. Jesús se presentó de nuevo en medio de ellos y les dijo: "La paz esté con ustedes". Luego le dijo a Tomás: "Aquí están mis manos; acerca tu dedo. Trae acá tu mano, métela en mi costado y no sigas dudando, sino cree". Tomás le respondió: "¡Señor mío y Dios mío!" Jesús añadió: "Tú crees porque me has visto; dichosos los que creen sin haber visto".

Otros muchos signos hizo Jesús en presencia de sus discípulos, pero no están escritos en este libro. Se escribieron éstas para que ustedes crean que Jesús es el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios, y para que, creyendo, tengan vida en su nombre.

Gospel
Jn 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,
for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst
and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."
And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them,
"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands
and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe."
Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book.
But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
APRIL 11th

Our Lord asked St. Faustina to pray and work towards establishing a Feast of the Divine Mercy on the Sunday after Easter. St. John Paul II proclaimed Divine Mercy Sunday an official feast of the church in April of 2000 when he canonized St. Maria Faustina.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
HOLY HOUR
3:00pm (in the church)

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Benediction
- Veneration of First Class Relic of St. Faustina

Did You Know? Sabia Usted?

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DID YOU KNOW?

2021 Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse Brochure
The Office of Safeguard the Children of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles annually publishes the *2021 Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse* brochure, which provides an up-to-date listing of safe environment policies, programs, resources, contact numbers and other important information about how the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is working to prevent child sexual abuse. Copies of the brochures are available in the parish vestibule or online at: https://lacatholics.org/child-abuse-prevention-month/.

Folleto 2021 Trabajando juntos para prevenir el abuso sexual infantil
La Oficina de Protección de los Niños de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles publica anualmente el folleto Trabajando juntos para prevenir el abuso sexual infantil 2021, que proporciona una lista actualizada de políticas, programas, recursos, números de contacto y otra información importante sobre el trabajo que se realiza en la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles para prevenir el abuso sexual infantil. Las copias de los folletos están disponibles en el vestíbulo de las parroquias o en línea en: https://lacatholics.org/child-abuse-prevention-month/.

Mass Intentions

Saturday: 04-10-2021
8:00am † Mico Fadich by Son Luka
5:15pm † Carmela, Luigi & Frank Colonna by Family

SUNDAY: 04-11-2021
7:30am † Anka Bozic by Son & Family
9:00am For all Parishioners of Mary Star Living & Deceased
10:30am † Robin Estrada
12:00pm † Tony & Mary Glynn Zuanich by Daughter Glynn
1:30pm † Rakao, Nevenka & Vinko Caric by Nada Blazevic & Milenko Caric

MONDAY: 04-12-2021
8:00am † ILda Margherita Pesce by Husband
5:15pm For all Parishioners of Mary Star Living & Deceased

TUESDAY: 04-13-2021
8:00am † Mate & Bozica Fizulic by Mario, Anka & Family
5:15pm For all Parishioners of Mary Star Living & Deceased

WEDNESDAY: 04-14-2021
8:00am † Carmine Di Bernardo by Pauline Iacono
5:15pm For all Parishioners of Mary Star Living & Deceased

THURSDAY: 04-15-2021
8:00am † Lilian Parker
5:15pm For all Parishioners of Mary Star Living & Deceased

FRIDAY: 04-16-2021
8:00am † Carmine Di Bernardo by Nicolina & Salvatore Mattera
5:15pm For all Parishioners of Mary Star Living & Deceased

SATURDAY: 04-17-2021
8:00am † Tasi Vitale by Fatima Bunn
5:15pm † Pat & Mary Di Bernardo by Son Neal Di Bernardo & Family

Sunday: 04-18-2021
7:30am † Fara Luna by Son Manuel & Gloria Luna
9:00am For all Parishioners of Mary Star Living & Deceased
10:30am † Patricia Herzog by Family
12:00pm † Pete Messano by Wife
1:30pm † Tony Blazevic by Mrko, Nada Blazevic & Family

L=Living **†=Deceased**

Confirmation is Back on Track!

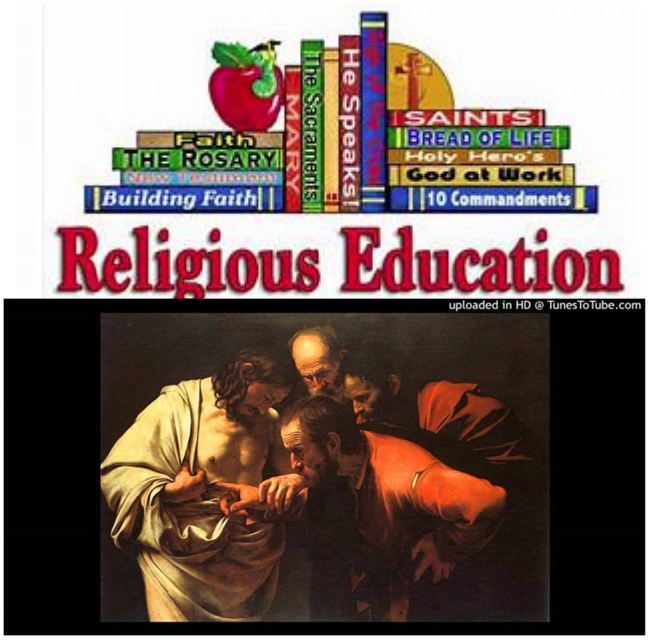
As the Covid-19 restrictions lessen, we are now offering in-person Confirmation classes in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation to our current tenth grade and up students.

Classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from April 8th to April 28th, 6:30pm-8:00pm, at Mary Star of the Sea High School, 2500 N. Taper Ave., San Pedro, CA 90731.

Our Confirmation Celebration is scheduled for Monday, May 3rd, at 6:30pm, at Mary Star of the Sea Parish Church, 870 W. 8th Street.

Students may register at the parish office.
If you have any questions you may contact Michelle Downes, office@marystar.org, 310-833-3541 ext.200. in the parish office.

We hope to see you there.



Christ is risen! Alleluia! The disciples are gathered in fear behind locked doors. Jesus appears and fills them with **JOY.** He gives them his own Spirit to continue his saving work. Thomas isn't present. The disciples tell Thomas they have seen the Lord. For Thomas something doesn't ring true. If they have seen the Lord why are they still locked up tight in that room? If they are filled with such **JOY,** why couldn't he read it on their faces? If they have been empowered by the Spirit of God to "complete God's work on earth" what are they waiting for?
Thomas didn't doubt the Lord; he doubted the word of his friends! He couldn't read the presence of the Risen One on their faces. After encountering Jesus in the locked room, Thomas experiences transformation and **JOY** to realize the truth: that Jesus presents himself and calls uniquely to each of them, to follow him. It is the embrace of the reassuring knowledge of God's love which confirms his faith and in adoration he confesses: "My Lord and my God."
What about us? Are we full of the **JOY** of the Risen Lord? We are invited to be witnesses to the **JOY** and **PEACE** of the Risen Lord who is among us **by doing the ordinary actions of our day with love.**

RECYCLING: Thank you to all who help us to recycle so that we can purchase resources for the children.
If you need further information on any of the above programs please call Sister Mary 310-833-3541, ext. 221 or 222.

Mary Star of the Sea
——High School——

Mary Star of the Sea
Elementary and Pre-school

MSHS News:

- **Family Campus Tours** - Prospective students and parents have the opportunity to take a family tour. Appointments are available from 8:30am - 1:30pm, Mondays through Thursdays. Please contact the school registrar at 310-547-1130 to make an appointment.
- **The High School is now accepting applications for the 2021-2022 School Year**. Please visit www.marystarhigh.com or call 310-547-1138 for information and applications. MSHS is committed to offering in-person classes as soon as the Governor's order is lifted. Both in the classroom or over the internet, MSHS will continue its Mission as a Catholic High School and continue to adhere to all health and safety practices recommended to keep everyone healthy. Office hours are from 8am – 2:30pm Monday through Thursday, and 8am – 12:30pm on Friday.

Upcoming Events:

- ***A Night of a Thousand Stars* takes place on Saturday, May 1st, 2021. This year our event will be VIRTUAL.** Our event raises money to benefit our academic and athletic programs and tuition assistance. There are several ways to help us! **Purchase OPPORTUNITY Tickets!** *Ticket prices are: $25 each /5 for $100.* *(See www.marystarhigh.com under 1000 Stars Tab for printable tickets.)*
- **SPONSORS AND UNDERWRITING!** Opportunities are needed to sponsor/underwrite our virtual event, *A Night of a Thousand Stars*. For more information, please visit our website. www.marystarhigh.com and visit our 1000 Stars page or contact Jeanna Alves at 310-547-1138 x204 or email questions to development@marystarhigh.com.
- **ATTEND THE EVENT:** Event tickets are $175 each or $1750 for a table. To Register/Donate/ Sponsor visit: https://marystarhigh.ejoinme.org/1000stars or use your smart phone to scan the QR code.
- **EASTER VACATION:** Thursday, April 1st through Sunday, April 11th in honor of Easter! School resumes on Monday, April 12th.

Mary Star of the Sea Elementary & Preschool continues to welcome new students and their families. Even during this period of online distance learning, our students thrive with a full school day and are benefitting from live instruction with their teachers in all subjects. If you or your family has considered MSSE for solid education, faith formation and a warm family environment, now is a wonderful time to contact our office and make an appointment to meet with us.

310-831-0875 www.marystarelementary.com

God bless,
Mr. Cordero
Principal

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WEEKLY HOLY HOUR

In order to convert America and save the World what we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer ***(Saint Mother Teresa)***

6:00 PM

Every Wednesday there is a Holy Hour in the church. It begins with exposition of The Blessed Sacrament. Within the hour, the rosary is prayed, followed by a time of silent reflection and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. The Holy Hour concludes with Benediction. Please come and spend one hour with Jesus. This is a special time of abundant blessings for all!

CONFESSIONS DURING HOLY HOUR WEDNESDAY, FROM 6:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

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Sharon Gregorio- Vice Regent – (310) 833-5536

Perpetual Adoration

Our Adoration Chapel is now open for "enrolled Adorers only", under very strict guidelines. Two adorers allowed at a time and you must wear a mask. The hours for the Chapel are 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., daily and 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on the weekends.

If you wish to become an "enrolled Adorer", I do have hours available. Please contact me for more details.

"Prayer is a great good. When we speak to a person, endowed with virtue, we receive much benefit. How much greater benefits will flow on persons who speak with God. For prayer is speaking with God."
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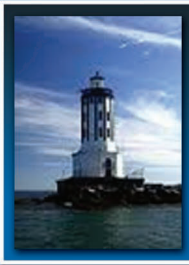

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