*February 26, 2023* *First Sunday in Lent*

# DIVINE MERCY
## CATHOLIC PARISH

*Loving Mercifully, Living Marian.*

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### Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30, 10:30 a.m.
12:30 p.m. (Español) & 5:00 p.m.
Monday and Tuesday:
6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:
7:30 a.m.

### Holy Days of Obligation

See Inside the Bulletin for Schedule

### Confession Times

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m.
(English & Español)
And by Appointment:
Call (504) 466-5016, ext. 116

### Devotions

**Eucharistic Adoration:**
24/7 in the Adoration Chapel

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy:**
Thursday & Friday, 3 p.m. in Adoration Chapel and following Weekday Morning Masses

**Rosary:**
Monday—Friday before Mass
Saturday before 4 p.m. Mass
Sunday before 8:30 a.m. Mass
Domingo, 12 Noon (Español)

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:**
Novena on Wednesday following the 7:30 a.m. Mass

**Legion of Mary Pro Life Rosary:**
1st Thursday of Month following the 7:30 a.m. Mass

**First Friday Holy Hour and Benediction**
1st Friday of Month following the 7:30 a.m. Mass

*St. Joseph Sunday Missal*

**Today's Readings: p. 251**
**Next Sunday: p. 259**

*To purchase a Sunday Missal for $30, please see an usher.*

*The Sanctuary Candle burns this week*

**In Memory of The Talamo and Bouvier Families**

*The Adoration Chapel Candles burn this week*

**In Honor of Divine Mercy Parishioners on the Prayer List**

*Pray for the Repose of the Souls of those who have died:*

**Ulysses S. Florane, Jr.**
**Otis Boniface Alexander, Jr.**
**Jody Conrad Rome**
**Elaine Sigur Ehrhard**

*May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!*

DIVINE MERCY PARISH LEGION OF MARY

**PRO-LIFE ROSARY**

**Thursday, March 2, 2022 at 8 AM in the Church**

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH FOLLOWING 7:30 AM MASS

# Mass Intentions

***To schedule Mass Intentions, please visit website www.divinemercyparish.org. The link for the Mass Intentions is under "Liturgy & Sacraments" then "Mass Intentions & Mass Card Requests". Complete the online form or contact the Parish Office.***

**February 25 - March 3, 2023**

**Saturday - 4:00 pm**

Gary J. Waguespack, Jerry Poche, Lily & Walter Juengling, Stefan Westerhaus, Stanley J. Adamcewicz, Sr., Frank Crocker, Sr., Chris Marino, In Memory of Agnes Lotz, Nat Cipriani, Edward Scherich, Paul Feliu, William & Joy Brelet, Terry Parenton Staub, Leonie & Vernon Malter, Betty Joe, Ronald W. Timm (Living), Robert Abdulla, Laurie Swanner Walsh, In thanksgiving to St. Anthony

**Sunday - 8:30 am**

Edmond Blancher

**Sunday - 10:30 am**

Deceased members of the Silver, Occhipinti & Pepiton Families, Alex Tan, Alonso Andara, Sr., Doris Rappold (Living), Juanita Gilberti, Chris Marino, Mark Britz, Mike Cobb, Mark S. Britz, Stanley Pearse (Living), Miriam Chacon, Lisa Margavio (Living), Doris A. Olivares, Ayres Lavalle Holiday, August Joseph Lucas, Jr.

**Domingo - Misa de las 12:30 pm**

Prayer Blanket Recipients-Living & Deceased, Allan Tabora, Sr., Esmeralda Bush, Mercedes Leticia Aleman, Maria Magdalena Medina, Arnoldo Arguello Gil (39th Anniversary of Death)

**Sunday - 5:00 pm Mass**

All Parishioners

**Weekday Masses**

**Monday 6:30 pm Mass:** Lucy B. Moore

**Tuesday 6:30 pm Mass:** Aline Pennington

**Wednesday 7:30 am Mass:** Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday 7:30 am Mass:** JoAnn Boes Holmgren

**Friday 7:30 am Mass:** Lloyd & Louise Aucoin



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## Calendar of Events

**Sunday, February 26 - First Sunday of Lent**
- Masses: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM (Español), 5:00 PM
- Children's Liturgy 10:30 AM Mass
- Lenten Service Project After All Masses
- DMY High School-Discipleship Night, 6:00 PM, PCC

**Monday, February 27**
- 6:30 PM Mass
- RCIA/ The Faith, 6:30 PM, PCC
- Legion of Mary, 7:15 PM, Sacristy

**Tuesday, February 28**
- 6:30 PM Mass
- Sacramental Prep/Grade 2-7, SEAS
- Missionaries of St. Therese, 7PM, PCC

**Wednesday, March 1**
- 7:30 AM Mass
- Adult Faith Formation Spring Series ***The Mass Bishop Robert Barron***, 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM,
- St. Anthony Ministry to the Needy, 1200 Noon
- Spanish Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM, Church

**Thursday, March 2**
- 7:30 AM Mass
- Legion of Mary Pro-Life Rosary, 8:00 AM, follows Mass
- SEAS School Mass, 9:00 AM
- Lenten Service Project Yarn Party, 10:00 AM, PCC
- Divine Mercy Youth Middle School, 3:30 PM, PCC
- Divine Mercy Men's Club Meeting, 6:00 PM, PCC
- Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM

**Friday, March 3**
- 7:30 AM Mass
- First Friday Holy Hour and Benediction follows Mass
- Cleaning Church, 9:00 AM
- K of C Drive-Thru Lenten Fish Fry, 11:00 AM-7:00 PM, Church Grounds
- Stations of the Cross, 6:30 PM
- Divine Mercy Cenacle Group, 7:00 PM, PCC
- Spanish Stations of the Cross, 7:30 PM

**Saturday, March 4**
- Confirmation Spring Retreat, SEAS Cafeteria
- The Chris Marino Memorial DMMC Tailgate Cookoff and Car Show, 11:00-4:00 PM, Church Grounds
- Bilingual Confessions 3:00 PM
- 4:00 PM Vigil

**Sunday, March 5**
- Masses: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM (*Español*), 5:00 PM
- Children's Liturgy 10:30 Mass
- DMY High School—Community Night, 6:00 PM, PCC

## Stewardship of Treasure

**Weekend of February 12, 2023**

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| Envelopes | $ | 7,305 |
| Loose | $ | 3,639 |
| Online Giving | $ | 5,736 |
| Capital Campaign | $ | 588 |
| Other Income | $ | 1,870 |
| Totaling | **$** | **19,138** |
| St. Anthony Ministry | $ | 415 |
| 2nd Collection-Utilities | $ | 3,530 |

***"Let us focus on generosity, or returning God's gifts with increase, through the generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure."***
*~ Fr. Cooper*

## GRATEFUL & GENEROUS

February 26, 2023
1st Sunday of Lent

***"It is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.'"***
~Matthew 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things, and develop and nurture heavenly things. Lent is time to repent and let go of the other "gods" we have put before God.

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## Prayer Requests

Eileen Cunningham, Charlie Weil, Marylyn Comesana, Lucian Perniciaro, Margaret Withrow, Barbara Yambra, Rebecca Morales, Nancy Gerhart, Ed Martina, Stanley Pearse, Lilly Aponte, Amanda Miranda, Lloyd Doucet, Harold Ferger, Dorothy Kopowski, Barbara JR Brown, Richard Wolf, Joe Larocca, Frank Stadthagen, Nahin Alarcon, Helena Long, Marena Noverola, Janice Russo Bradford, JoAnn Bland, Jackie Reynolds, Rosemary Cotham, Anna Baker, Anthony Britz, Kathy Rapp, Carlos Laboy, Romeo Mamolo, Theresa Hamrick, Terry Parenton Staub, Gwen Accardo, Beth Zeringue, Sybil Huesmann, Carter Denison, Sue Vaughn, All Prayer Blanket Recipients and All Prayer Intentions on the Divine Mercy website.

Names will remain on the list one month. Call 466-5016 to add a name.

Today, we celebrate the First Sunday of Lent. We are presented with the time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert and was also tempted by the devil. In the Gospel (Mt 4:1-11), the Bible states that Jesus *"fasted for forty days and forty nights,"* (MT 4:2). As a Lifeteen author explains, Lent *"echoes the 40 days that Jesus spent in the desert, fasting and preparing for his public ministry* (Luke 4:1-12). *In a similar way, Lent is meant to be a time of preparation for us, where we grow in our relationship with God."* On the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) website, the season of Lent is further addressed. Bishop David L. Ricken of Green Bay, Wisconsin, former chairman of the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis of the USCCB, offers some suggestions in the article 10 Things to Remember for Lent. In this article, the bishop reminds us that Lent is *"about dying to yourself."* Further, in a Lifeteen article, Into the Desert: How to Live Your Lent with Purpose, by Sam Brebner, we are also reminded that *"Lent is an incredible opportunity to start (or re-start) practices that take you deeper in your relationships with God and with the people around you. Don't miss that opportunity. Live your Lent with purpose."* In addition, as another reminder of Jesus' sacrificial love, Pope Francis said *"During this season of conversion, let us renew our faith and receive with open hearts the love of God."* On Sunday nights, Divine Mercy Youth discusses Lent and all these reminders of this season with the possible sacrifices that can be made. We talk about ways we can practice our Lenten commitments/sacrifices with our family and friends in our homes, schools, workplaces, communities, society, and the world. We also discuss many other teachings of Jesus and His sacrificial love for us along with topics regarding Our Blessed Mother and how she leads us to her Son. Under the protection of Mary's mantle, you are invited to join us!

***Divine Mercy Youth*** is a high school ministry for all 8th through 12th grade students. Our aim is to help teens grow in intentional discipleship through prayer, community, and formation. Divine Mercy Youth is held on Sunday Nights following the 5pm mass and will serve as the catechetical program for all students who are not in catholic school. See the parish website to register, for our schedule, and how to stay connected with us!

***https://www.divinemercyparish.org/dmyouth***

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# LENTEN PARISH SERVICE PROJECT

It's Back! Our **Lenten Service Project** last year was such an overwhelming success that we are once again partnering with the **Magic Yarn Project** to provide soft and high-quality character wigs and beanies to children battling cancer. Please consider a monetary donation so that we may be the heart and hands of Jesus to children and families in their time of need.

We are collecting funds to cover the already purchased specialty yarn that is used by the wig makers. Since their specific yarn had to be special ordered we are unable to accept yarn skein donations. We would be grateful for any monetary donation to cover the expenses of the specialty skeins that were ordered for our Lenten Service Project.

Visit ***divinemercyparish.org/yarn*** to find out more about the **Magic Yarn Project** and to **donate online** or place an **envelope** in the collection basket **marked *"Magic Yarn".***

## Come to a yarn party!

Want to make an even bigger difference? Help us cut and prepare the donated yarn for the official wig-makers so they have more time to help even more kids! Pop in at any point during the times below.

**PARISH COMMUNITY CENTER:** Thursday, March 2 (10am - 12 pm); Tuesday, March 14 (10am - 12pm); Saturday, March 18 (12pm - 3pm); Saturday, March 25 (12pm - 3pm); Tuesday, April 4 (4pm - 6pm)

**Volunteers under age 18 must have parent/guardian present*

# LENT

AT DIVINE MERCY PARISH

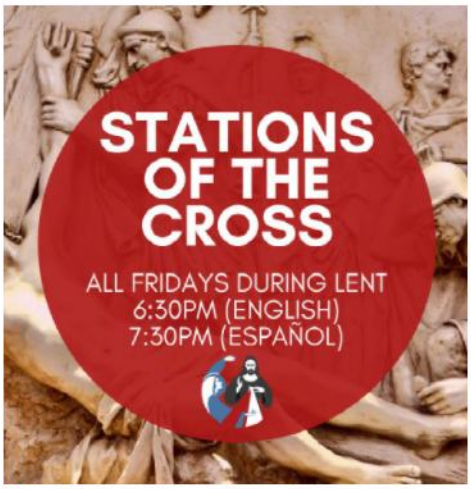
## FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasions for Christian penance.

## MAINTAINING THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON OF LENT

The Spirit of the season of Lent should be maintained throughout the weeks of Lent. The obligation to observe penitential days of the Church is a very important part of our spiritual life. Individual circumstances must be taken into account, but in general, people should seek to do more rather than less, since fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimal response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion of life.



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Dear Parishioners and Friends of Divine Mercy Parish:

As communities in **Turkey and Syria** are left reeling in the wake of an earthquake that has killed at least 41,000 people—and that figure is rapidly growing—let us join together in prayer and support for those affected by this catastrophe. In the midst of death and trauma caused by this terrible event, let us bring our intercessions together, praying that the Lord Jesus will comfort those who lost their loved ones and give strength to those involved in the actions of solidarity with the victims. We convey our prayers to the victims and their families, as well as to the churches and local communities in Syria and in Turkey, mobilizing their networks to help their sisters and brothers in this time of great need.

Divine Mercy Parish is partnering with **Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)**, to provide Christian communities who have fled their homes with necessities including food, water, milk, baby formula, baby and adult diapers, blankets, and hygiene supplies. ACN is also helping the local Christian community to assess the damage done to structures and help them rebuild. First it will be homes, then businesses, and finally it will be Church and Church community structures. Under the guidance of the Holy Father, Aid to the Church in Need provides pastoral and humanitarian assistance to the persecuted Church around the world. For more than 74 years, ACN has reached out to the suffering, the distressed, and the poorest of the poor in over 145 countries.

In a region that has experienced much conflict and hardship, these heartbreaking scenes call out to us to provide aid and assistance to our brothers and sisters in need. May God bless you for your kindness and compassion at this difficult time.

Fr. Robert T. Cooper, Pastor
Divine Mercy Parish and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School

**To contribute** to our Turkey & Syria Earthquake Relief fund, visit the Parish Website, scan the QR Code or place an envelope in the collection basket marked *"Turkey-Syria Relief"*. Thank you for your generosity.

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# FR. COOPER'S CORNER

## Highspeed Lane to Holiness

As we begin this Lenten Season with a Church-wide meditation on the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving and to the practical imperative to become holy, so that after death we might enter eternally into communion with all the saints in the Heavenly Jerusalem, it is important that we explore the appropriate means to that glorious end. "The Eucharist," as Pope Benedict wrote in 2007, "is at the root of every form of holiness, and each of us is called to the fullness of life in the Holy Spirit. How many saints have advanced along the way of perfection thanks to their eucharistic devotion! … Holiness has always found its center in the sacrament of the Eucharist" (*Sacramentum Caritatis* 94). As the Church in the United States enters more deeply into its multiyear Eucharistic revival, it is a time to recognize more clearly that the root and route of holiness is the Eucharist.

Someone who teaches us this truth in a compellingly attractive way is one of the co-patrons of the Eucharistic Revival, Blessed Carlo Acutis (1991-2006), the first millennial to be raised to the altars. Carlo was raised in a non-practicing Catholic home, but thanks to the influence of grandparents, a Polish nanny, and his Catholic school, he began to hunger for Jesus in the Eucharist in such a way that he successfully begged to be able to make his first Holy Communion a year early, at the age of 7. Thereupon, he became a daily Mass goer and a Eucharistic apostle, not only bringing his parents back to the practice of Sunday Mass but also zealously trying to bring his non-practicing peers to grasp the awesome gift they were neglecting.

He soon discovered that the most effective means to help his fellow students and friends be captivated by the wondrous reality of the Real Presence of Jesus were his descriptions of the Eucharistic miracle of Lanciano and the miraculous communion of the three shepherd children in Fatima. That led him on a quest to get to know all the Eucharistic miracles by which God has buttressed the Church's Eucharistic theology and practice with divine confirmation. His parents generously accompanied him to the sites of the miracles and, at age 11, he learned computer programming to build a website to catalogue and promote these theophanies, not just to bring his friends in Milan but people all over the world to greater Eucharistic faith, amazement, and life. His catalogue eventually grew to a 196-part series that was exhibited in the Vatican in 2005 during the Year of the Eucharist and continues posthumously to travel the global.

If Carlo had not died somewhat suddenly of acute promyeolocytic leukemia in 2006, he would be just 31 years old today. Yet in record speed for someone so young — especially for someone who is not a child martyr or a recipient of Marian apparitions — we are already celebrating him at the altar each Oct. 12. His life shows us that we don't need long years of life to become holy, but to avail ourselves of the means God provides. The greatest of those means is the Holy Eucharist. "The Eucharist," Carlo said, "is my highway to heaven." And he sped on that highway faster than most young Italians like to drive on the *autostrada*. He spent his eight years after his first Communion trying to get as many as he could to join him on that expressway. He became a catechist and sought to help the students entrusted to him to pursue holiness through a Eucharistic life. He created for them a "Holiness Kit" with nine practices, two of which were explicitly geared to helping them to live a Eucharistic life: "Try to go every day to Mass and to receive Holy Communion. … If you can, stay a few minutes every day in Eucharistic adoration in front of the tabernacle where Jesus is really present, and you will see your level of holiness increase considerably." He practiced what he preached — and his level of sanctity indeed grew swiftly and substantially.



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With childlike simplicity, yet precocious maturity and wisdom, he taught, “The more often we receive the Eucharist, the more we become like Jesus.” If in general we become what we eat, when we receive Jesus with faith and love, we gradually become more and more like Him whom we consume. We begin to live because of Him, as Jesus promised we would during his Bread of Life discourse in the Capernaum Synagogue (Jn 6:57). That is why it wasn’t enough for Carlo just to get others to come to Mass on Sunday and to receive Jesus worthily. He wanted to upgrade them from coming to Mass out of duty to coming out of love as often as they can. He wanted to get them off the winding, slow, stumbling trek through life onto the supernatural superhighway. “I think that many people do not fully understand the value of the Mass,” he said with candor and clarity, “because if they recognized the enormous blessing we have in a Lord who gives himself as our food and drink in the Sacred Host, they would go to Mass every day to participate in the fruits of the sacrifice and let go of so many superfluous things.”

He had great faith in the power of Jesus in the Eucharist to make us saints. “You go straight to heaven,” he said, “if you participate in Mass every day.” Of course, he was talking about far more than just attendance, but truly entering into holy communion of life with Him who is holy, holy, holy. He had surprised his parents and friends after his first Communion by saying, “To be always united to Jesus — this is my program of life,” and attendance at daily Mass and loving reception of Holy Communion were the means of that union. He received Jesus with recognition of what he was doing and whom he was receiving. “Jesus,” he would pray, “come right in! Make yourself at home!” He received Jesus not just for a brief visit but as a permanent companion. And he cherished the time in His company. He sought to make a Eucharistic holy half-hour every day. Whenever he would find an open Church, even when he was in a hurry, he would pop in just to say “hello” to Jesus.

He sought to help others, especially his classmates and catechetical students, to relate to Jesus in the Eucharist with similar practicality. “If we think about it, we are more fortunate than those who lived 2,000 years ago in contact with Jesus, because we have God really and substantially present with us always. It’s enough to visit the closest Church! We have Jerusalem on our doorsteps. Jerusalem is every Church! If only people visited tabernacles with the same devotion!” He added, “You see queues in front of a soccer match or an actor or rock singer, but you don’t see a queue for the tabernacle where there is the Real Presence of God who lives among us.”

He tried to help his friends choose differently than the crowds. In perhaps his most famous words, which give witness to the depth that a life of prayer before Jesus in the Eucharist brought him, he said, “All of us are born as originals, but most of us die as photocopies.” We model ourselves on others in their mundane superficiality rather than unite ourselves to God, which not only makes us holy but fully human. “God has written for each of us a unique and unrepeatable story,” Carlo insisted, “but he has left us free to write the end of the story.” During this holy season of Lent, let us ponder what we want the end of that story to be.

And Blessed Carlo, by his words, example, and intercession, wants us to join him on the Eucharistic highway that will lead to the indelible inscription of our name in the Book of Life.

# HISPANIC MINISTRY

## AYUNO Y ABSTINENCIA

El ayuno debe ser observado el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo por todos los católicos que tengan 18 años de edad, pero aun no hayan cumplido los 59. Aquellos que están obligados a ayunar pueden tomar solo una comida completa. Se permiten dos comidas más pequeñas si es necesario para mantener la fuerza de acuerdo con las necesidades de cada uno, pero no se permite comer alimentos sólidos entre comidas.

Todos los católicos mayores de 14 años deben observar la abstinencia de carne el Miércoles de Ceniza, el Viernes Santo y todos los viernes de Cuaresma. La determinación de ciertos días como días obligatorios de penitencia no debe entenderse como una limitación de las ocasiones para la penitencia cristiana.

## MANTENER EL ESPÍRITU DEL TIEMPO DE CUARESMA

El Espíritu de la temporada de Cuaresma debe mantenerse a lo largo de las semanas de Cuaresma. La obligación de observar los días de penitencia de la Iglesia es una parte muy importante de nuestra vida espiritual. Deben tenerse en cuenta las circunstancias individuales, pero en general, las personas deben buscar hacer más que hacer menos, ya que el ayuno y la abstinencia en los días prescritos deben considerarse una respuesta mínima al llamado del Señor a la penitencia y conversión de vida.

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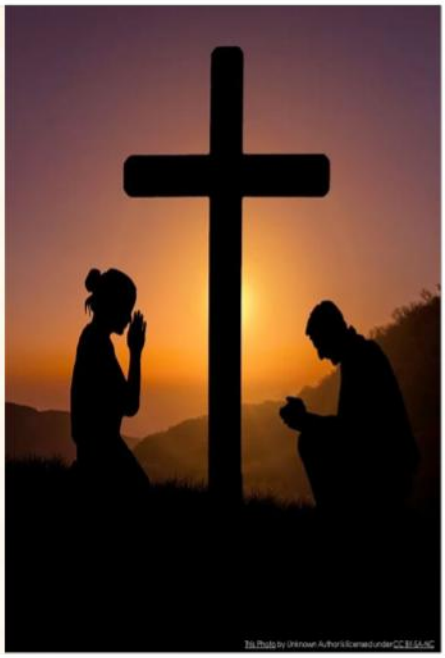
The **Ladies Altar Auxiliary** is hosting a 1-day retreat to come together to humble ourselves in prayer and rejuvenate our souls to glorify God.



**Divine Mercy Summer Retreat**
**Hosted by the Divine Mercy Ladies Altar Auxiliary**
The retreat will be led by **Father Gros**
**Saturday, May 27th, 2023 from 8am-3pm**
**Archdiocesan Retreat Center** *(5500 St. Mary St. Metairie, La. 70006)*
*The cost is $15/person and includes lunch*

Please register by May 1, 2023 if you are interested in attending. Contact Doris Martin at 504-810-3433 for more information or visit the Parish Website at ***https://divinemercyparish.org/events/summer-retreat*** to register online.

*Attendance is limited to 120 participants.*

**Date: Saturday March 4th, 2023**
**Car Show: 11:00am–2:30pm**
**Cook-Off: Noon – 4:00pm**

**Live Music by The Benchwarmers from 11:30am - 2:30pm**

**Event Location: Divine Mercy Parish,**
**4337 Sal Lentini Pkwy, Kenner, LA 70065**

**Visit https://divinemercyparish.org/carshow**
**for Registrations, Sponsor Forms, and Order Links**
**or scan the QR code**



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# DIVINE WORSHIP AND SACRED MUSIC

First Sunday in Lent

## 4:00 PM Mass

## Entrance

**I Heard the Voice of Jesus**

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one, lay down
Your head upon my breast.'
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
And he has made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live.'
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that lifegiving stream;
My thirst was quenched,
my soul revived,
And now I live in him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's light;
Look unto me, your morn shall rise,
And all your day be bright.'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till trav'ling days are done.

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## Offertory

**Tree of Life**

**Refrain**
Turn our hearts, turn our minds,
make us branches holding fast to the vine.
Patient Keeper, draw us to
your tender mercy, Tree of Life.

1. We remember we are mortal,
breath of God but of the earth.
Through the desert we must travel,
tasting hunger, knowing thirst.

2. We are sinful, we are prideful,
we have all gone astray.
Deep within us we are needful
of a clean heart day by day.

3. As we travel on our journey,
take our hearts and make them new.
Jesus walked this road before us
as our God, but human, too.
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## Chant Mass

**Sanctus (Holy)**

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus.
Dóminus Deus Sábaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra glória tua.
Hosánna in excélsis.
Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini.
Hosána in excélsis.

**Mysterium Fidei (Mystery of Faith)**

Mortem tuam annuntiamus, Domine,
et tuam resurrectionem confitemur,
donec venias.

**Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)**

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

Text: Graduale Romanum, 1974. Music: Chant Mass; Graduale Romanum

## Communion

**On Eagle's Wings**

1. You who dwell in the
shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

**Refrain**
And he will raise you up
on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

2. The snare of the fowler
will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield.

3. You need not fear the
terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come.

4. For to his angels
he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands
they will bear you up,
lest you dash
your foot against a stone.

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## Sending Forth

**Open the Eyes of My Heart**

**Refrain**
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You.
I want to see You.

1. To see You high and lifted up,
shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love
as we sing “Holy, holy, holy”.

**Bridge**
Holy, holy, holy,
holy, holy, holy,
holy, holy, holy,
I want to see You.



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## 8:30 AM Mass

### Entrance

**I Heard the Voice of Jesus**

See 4 PM Mass – Entrance

### Offertory

**Tree of Life**

See 4 PM Mass – Offertory

### Chant Mass

See 4 PM Mass – Chant Mass

### Communion

**On Eagle's Wings**

See 4 PM Mass – Communion

### Sending Forth

**Open the Eyes of My Heart**

See 4 PM Mass – Sending Forth

## 10:30 AM Mass

### Entrance

**I Heard the Voice of Jesus**

See 4 PM Mass – Entrance

### Offertory

**Tree of Life**

See 4 PM Mass – Offertory

### Chant Mass

See 4 PM Mass – Chant Mass

### Communion

**On Eagle's Wings**

See 4 PM Mass – Communion

### Sending Forth

**Open the Eyes of My Heart**

See 4 PM Mass – Sending Forth

## Misa – 12:30 PM

### Entrada

**Perdónanos Nuestras Culpas**

**Estribillo**

Perdónanos nuestras culpas.
Señor, pedimos perdón.
Así también al hermano
le damos nuestro perdón.

1. Dijiste, Señor, que nuestro Padre
perdona nuestras deudas con amor
si damos nosotros al hermano
la mano, otorgándole el perdón.

Ahora, Señor, perdón pedimos;
sabemos de tu grande compasión,
y damos a quien nos ha ofendido
la mano, otorgándole el perdón.

2. Dijiste, Señor, que al más pequeño
tratemos sabiendo que eres Tú.
Que el pobre, el desnudo
y el hambriento
son seres en los que vives Tú.

Sabemos, Señor, que te ofendimos
negándole al hermano
nuestro amor;
por eso, Señor, perdón pedimos:
queremos un nuevo corazón.

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### Ofertorio

**Renuévame**

Renuévame, Señor Jesús,
Ya no quiero ser igual.
Renuévame, Señor Jesús,
Pon en mi Tu Corazón.
Porque todo lo que hay
Dentro de mí,
Necesita ser cambiado Señor.

Porque todo lo que hay
Dentro de mi corazón,
Necesita más de ti.

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### Comunión

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### Canto Final

**Danos un Corazón**

**Estribillo**

Danos un corazón grande para amar.
Danos un corazón fuerte para luchar.

1. Pueblos nuevos,
creadores de la historia,
constructores de nueva humanidad.
Pueblos nuevos,
que viven la existencia
como riesgo de un largo caminar.

2. Pueblos nuevos,
luchando en esperanza,
caminantes, sedientos de verdad.
Pueblos nuevos,
sin frenos ni cadenas,
pueblos libres que exigen libertad.

3. Pueblos nuevos,
amando sin fronteras,
por encima de razas y lugar.
Pueblos nuevos,
al lado de los pobres,
compartiendo con ellos techo y pan.

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## 5:00 PM Mass

### Entrance

**Jesus Messiah**

1. He became sin, who knew no sin;
that we might become His righteousness;
He humbled Himself, and carried the cross.
Love so amazing, Love so amazing.

**Refrain**

Jesus, Messiah; Name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel.
The Rescue for sinners,
the Ransom from heaven;
Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

2. His body the bread, His blood the wine
broken and poured out, all for love.
The whole earth trembled,
and the veil was torn.
Love so amazing, Love so amazing

**Bridge**

All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You;
all the glory to You, God,
the Light of the world. *(to refrain…)*

**Ending**

Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.
The Lord of all! The Lord of all.

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## Offertory

**Kyrie Eleison**

1. Lord have mercy Christ have mercy
Hear our cry and heal our land
Let kindness lead us to repentance
Bring us back again

**Chorus 1**
For Your name is great and Your heart is grace
Kyrie Eleison
Over all You reign You alone can save
Kyrie Eleison
Lord have mercy Christ have mercy on us now

2. Who is this God who pardons all our sin
So ready to forgive,
You delight to show Your mercy *(Repeat)*

**Chorus 2**
For Your name is great and Your heart is grace
Kyrie Eleison
Over all You reign You alone can save
Kyrie Eleison *(Repeat)*

Lord have mercy Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy Christ have mercy on us now

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## Communion

**At The Cross (Love Ran Red)**

1. There's a place
where mercy reigns and never dies,
there's a place where streams of grace
flow deep and wide;
Where all the love I've ever found
comes like a flood, comes flowing down.

**Refrain**
At the cross, at the cross, I surrender my life.
I'm in awe of You, I'm in awe of You.
Where Your love ran red,
and my sin washed white.
I owe all to You, I owe all to You.

2. There's a place where sin and shame
are powerless, where my heart
has peace with God and forgiveness;
Where all the love I've ever found
comes like a flood, comes flowing down.

**Bridge**
Here my hope is found, here on holy ground;
Here I bow down, here I bow down.
Here, arms open wide,
here You saved my life;
Here I bow down, here I bow (down).

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## Sending Forth

**Chain Breaker**

1. If you've been walking the same old road for miles and miles;
if you've been hearing the same old voice tell the same old lies; if you're trying to fill the same old holes inside,
there's a better life. There's a better life.

**Chorus**
If you've got pain, He's a pain taker.
If you feel lost, He's a way maker.
If you need freedom or saving,
He's a prison shaking Savior.
If you got chains, He's a chain breaker.

2. We've all searched for the light of day
in the dead of night.
We've all found ourselves worn out
from the same old fight.
We've all run to things
we know just ain't right,
when there's a better life.
There's a better life. *(Chorus)*

**Bridge**
If you believe it; if you receive it;
if you can feel it; somebody testify. *(Chorus)*

**Ending**
Oh, if you need freedom or saving,
He's a prison shaking Savior.
If you got chains, well, He's a chain breaker.

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The Office of Marriage and Family Life is pleased to announce the **Annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration** will be held on **Sunday, June 25, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church, Metairie.**

This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or have recently celebrated their **50th wedding anniversary.** The celebration is open to couples married in 1973 or before.

To register, please **contact our Pastoral Associate, Dylan Mitchell**, at 504-466-5016, **no later than Tuesday, March 14.**

***Please Note: The Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration is a prayer service, not a Mass and will not fulfill the couple's Sunday obligation. Couples should plan to attend Mass at their home parishes.***



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## Memorare

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

## Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## Family Prayer

Loving and faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have appreciated the prayers and love of Our Lady of Prompt Succor in times of war, disaster, epidemic and illness. We come to you, Father, with Mary our Mother, and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism. We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which gives respect to the life and dignity of all people. Bless parents that they may form their children in faith. Bless and protect our youth that they may be peacemakers of our time. Give consolation to those who have lost loved ones through violence. Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.
Mother Henriette Delille, pray for us that we may be a holy family.
Amen.

## Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## Acto de Comunión Espiritual

Mi Jesús, yo creo que Tú estás en el Santísimo Sacramento. Yo te amo por encima de todas las cosas y yo Te deseo en mi alma. Como ahora no puedo recibirte sacramentalmente, al menos ven a mi corazón espiritualmente. Como ya has venido, Yo te abrazo y me uno enteramente a Ti. Nunca permitas que me separe de ti. Amén

## Memorare

Acuérdate, oh piadosísima Virgen María!, que jamás se ha oído decir que ninguno de los que han acudido a tu protección, implorando tu auxilio, haya sido desamparado. Animado por esta confianza, a Ti acudo, Madre, Virgen de la vírgenes, y gimiendo bajo el peso de mis pecados me atrevo a comparecer ante Ti. Madre de Dios, no deseches mis súplicas, antes bien, escúchalas y acógelas benignamente. Amen.

## Oración a San Miguel Arcángel

O San Miguel, Arcángel defiéndenos en la batalla. Sé nuestra protección contra el mal y las trampas del diablo; humildemente te rogamos que Dios los reprenda. O Principe Celestial de la Santa Hostia, que con la ayuda de Dios eches a satanás al infierno y a los espíritus que vagan por el mundo para arruinar las almas. Amén.

## Nuestra Oración Familiar

Dios amoroso y fiel, a través de los años el pueblo de nuestra arquidiócesis ha apreciado las oraciones y el amor de Nuestra Señora del Pronto Socorro en tiempos de guerras, desastres, epidemias y enfermedad. Venimos a Ti, Padre, con María nuestra Madre, y te pedimos nos ayudes en la batalla de hoy contra la violencia, el asesinato y el racismo. Te imploramos que nos des la sabiduría para construir una comunidad fundada en los valores de Jesús, que conceden respeto a la vida y dignidad a todas las personas. Bendice a los padres para que formen a sus hijos en fe. Bendice y protege a nuestros jóvenes para que sean hacedores de paz en nuestro tiempos. Da consuelo a los que han perdido a seres queridos debido a la violencia. Te lo pedimos por Jesucristo, Nuestro Señor.

Nuestra Señora del Pronto Socorro, apresúrate a socorrernos. Madre Henrieta Delille, ruega por nosotros para que seamos una familia Santa.
Amén.


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