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April 27,

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

“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.’”

-Jn 20: 21 — 23

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY SERVICE

April 27

Holy Martyrs

3-5 pm

Confession begins at 1:30 pm

Parish Calendar ~ This Week and Upcoming

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
26 That Man is You 7 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Eucharistic Adoration & Confession 8:45 - 9:45 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Troops of St. George Campground Clean-up 10 am - 3 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i>	27 Divine Mercy Sunday Sanctuary Candle lit in loving memory of Doris Mathew, OFS March 30 - April 30 <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> Sanctuary Candle lit in Memory of Chet Hemenway April 27 - May 3 <i>Sacred Heart</i> Choir Rehearsal 8 am <i>St. Jude</i>	28 St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort AA Meeting 10:30 am - 12 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> Eucharistic Adoration 12 - 8 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Youth Schola 4:00 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> Cub Scout Meeting 5:30 pm Boy Scout Meeting 6:30 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> OCIA 6:30 - 8 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i>	29 St. Catherine of Siena Centering Prayer Group 9:30 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Catholic Homeschoolers 10 am - 12 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Friends in Faith 10:30 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Sacramental Prep 4 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> Young Adult Spiritual Exercises 6:30 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i>

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 St. Pius V Choir Rehearsal 4:45 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> 7:00 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> Conradance for Teens & Young Adults 5 - 8 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Together with Alzheimer's 7 - 8:30 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i>	1 St. Joseph the Worker Meals on Wheels 8 am - 12:30 pm <i>St. Jude</i> St. Monica Club 6:30 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> AA & Al-Anon Meetings 7 - 8:30 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i>	2 St. Athanasius Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 - 9:30 am <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> 3 - 6 pm <i>St. Jude</i> AA Meeting 6:30 - 9:30 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i>	3 Sts. Philip & James That Man is You 7 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> First Saturday Confession & Rosary 8:00 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Eucharistic Adoration & Confession 8:45 - 9:45 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Latin Mass 9:00 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i>	4 3rd Sunday of Easter Choir Rehearsal 8 am <i>St. Jude</i> FIRE/CGS 8:30 - 11:30 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i> May Crowning 11:30 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Oratory 5 - 7 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> Calix 7 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i>

Mass Intentions for April 26 to May 4

Saturday, April 26 8:15 am SH Fr. M *Intentions of the St. Monica Club 4:00 pm HM Fr. C † James Kelly by Phyllis Kelly 4:00 pm SGTG Fr. K † Conchita & Dexter Heuschkel by Rose York 4:00 pm SH VP † William & Charity Gray by the Albert family	Wednesday, April 30 7:30 am HM Fr. K † Brenda Downey by Bob & Vicki Napolitano Thursday, May 1 8:00 am SH Fr. K † Juliet Hulsberg by Glenn Hulsberg Friday, May 2 7:30 am HM Fr. K † David Harkins by the Henry family 8:00 am SGTG Fr. C † Maureen Chin by Paul & Paula Young Saturday, May 3 8:15 am SH Fr. M *† Living & deceased members of Desiree Douglas Clady's family 9:00 am HM Fr. C † Wilda Theriault by Maryann Anderson 4:00 pm HM Fr. M † Dolores Watts Sweeney by Chris & Kim Kralik 4:00 pm SGTG Fr. C † Bertha & Ronald Sullivan by Suzanne 4:00 pm SH Fr. K † Jack Piscopo by his family Sunday, May 4 8:00 am SH Fr. K † John Francis & Frances Josephine Furey by John Furey 8:30 am HM Fr. M † Andre Casavant by his family 8:30 am SGTG Fr. C † Deceased members of the Werner family by John & Cleo Werner 9:30 am SJ Fr. K † Rita Doten by Fr. Paul Marquis 10:30 am HM Fr. M *Special Intention for Dino Prato by the Van Loenen family 11:00 am SH Fr. C *All POTHE Parishioners 5:30 pm HM Fr. M *Special intention for Joe Slattery by Dee Conroy-Vella NH—Nursing Home VP—Visiting Priest *Special Intention †Deceased
Sunday, April 27 Divine Mercy Sunday 8:00 am SH VP † Carl Anderson Jr. by Sheila Anderson & family 8:30 am HM Fr. C † Faith Bailey by the Ewald family 8:30 am SGTG Fr. K † Scott Fuller by Jonathan Fuller 9:30 am SJ VP † Joe Becker by Chip & Gay Metevier 10:30 am HM Fr. C † K. J. & Catherine Joseph by Savio Tony & family 11:00 am SH Fr. K † Mary Dello Stritto by Jill Velazquez & family 5:30 pm HM Fr. C *All POTHE Parishioners Monday, April 28 7:30 am HM Fr. K † Loretta Dilworth Rogan by Edward & Susan Dilworth 8:00 am SH Fr. M † Chris Hamren by Angela Widmer 12:15 pm SJ Fr. C † Joseph Gordon by Joseph Moreshead Tuesday, April 29 7:30 am HM Fr. C † Steve Vazquez by Helen Stanbro 4:00 pm NH Fr. M *Intentions of the Residents at Oceanview	

Sharing God's Word ~ Through Stewardship and Pastoral Life

PASTOR'S PONDEROSA



My dear parishioners,

Please join us at Holy Martyrs on Sunday, April 27 at 3:00 pm for **Divine Mercy devotions**. Confessions will be available starting at 1:30 pm. Many people join us each year for this expression of faith in God's merciful love for sinners. This is part of the Good News that the Risen Jesus brought to his disciples at Easter. We share in the joy of the new life that His forgiveness brings.

In three places in her Diary, St. Faustina records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces on this day: **I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy (1109). Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (300). The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699).** To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good Confession recently and staying in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy.

However, a plenary indulgence can also be obtained by fulfilling the usual conditions. Remember, our sins, whether mortal or venial, after being forgiven during Confession, still leave behind some "stains" on our souls, or temporal punishment. These remains of sin can be remitted or "erased" through prayers, sacraments, good works, sacrifices, and indulgences, in this life or in the next. If someone dies in the state of grace but still with the remains of sin in one's soul, one needs to be purified in purgatory.

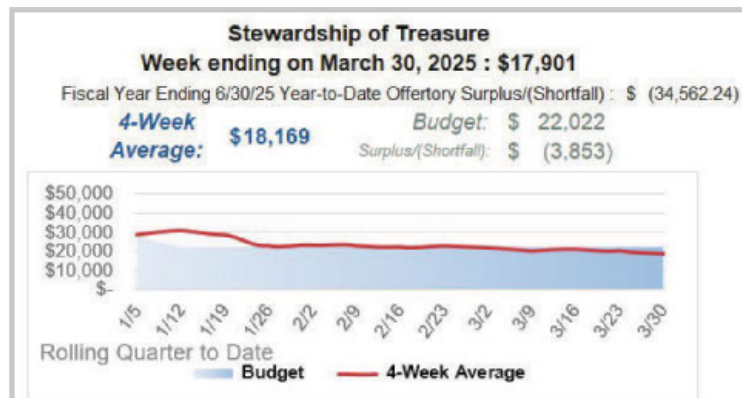
An indulgence is "**the remission before God of the temporal punishment due for sins already forgiven as far as their guilt is concerned.**" To obtain this remission there are proper dispositions and certain conditions predetermined by the Church that must be met by the faithful. The remission is acquired through the intervention of the Church, who has the power to loose and bind granted through Jesus Christ. An indulgence can either be PARTIAL or PLENARY (total). It is partial if it removes only part of the temporal punishment due to sin, or plenary if it removes all temporal punishment. To be able to gain an indulgence, one must have the intention to gain it and perform the works at the time and in the manner prescribed.

On Divine Mercy Sunday, a plenary indulgence can be obtained by: 1.) going to Confession. 2.) receiving Holy Communion, and 3.) praying for the intentions of the Holy Father. While it is appropriate that the two sacraments be received on the same day, the Church permits them to be received up to about 20 days before or after the day the indulgenced work is performed.

In addition, one must 4.) go to a church this day "*in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin,*" and 5.) participate in the prayers held in honor of Divine Mercy. These practices could consist of devotions such as the Divine Mercy chaplet, Eucharistic Adoration, and the sacrament of Confession.

To learn more about indulgences, partial and plenary, you might be interested in purchasing the book: ***The Handbook On Indulgences: Norms and Grants*** from Catholic Book Publishing Co., \$21.00.

—Fr. Cartwright



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

April 27—Catholic Home Missions: This Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in 85 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses. The Subcommittee funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups.

May 4—Haiti Door Collection: Since 1992, through your generosity, our sister parishes have been able to feed the poor, provide safe gathering spaces, and places of worship. Thank you for your support! FMI, pothe.org/haiti.

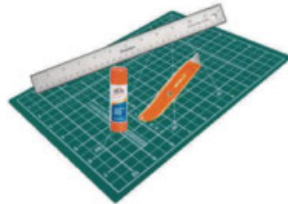
Called to Discipleship ~ Through Faith Formation and Pastoral Life

Welcome, Visitors!

Want to participate in our Offertory collection? If you'd like to make your offering online, please scan the QR code.



VOLUNTEER WITH TED: Ted Walsh, who creates the posters of parish events for each of our parish churches, is seeking volunteers to assist with the assembly of them each week. Printing the posters commercially would be cost prohibitive (retail cost approximately \$20 ea.). Ted is able to create them for well under \$2 each; however, they require trimming and gluing four pages together to create the same effect as the full-size prints. Volunteers would use the tools pictured here (church provided) to accomplish the task. Full training will be provided and can be **DONE AT HOME!** If interested, email Ted at: tedretired2010@hotmail.com.



APRIL SENIOR LUNCHEON: Our next Senior Luncheon will be held on April 24 at Sacred Heart, beginning with fellowship at 11:30 am and lunch served at noon. **Think spring** and bring a friend! FMI or transportation help: contact Kim Lovett, (207) 553-7042 or kim.lovett@portlanddiocese.org.



ACTS WOMEN'S RETREAT - MAY 15-18: The women of the ACTS Ministry at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish in Sanford invite you to a spiritually uplifting weekend, a chance to get away from your usual busy schedule. Take an opportunity to renew yourself spiritually, strengthen your faith, and grow friendships with some amazing women. Women over 21 are welcome. Do hurry to ensure your place for a wonderful weekend with the Lord! The retreat begins Thursday evening, May 15, with a check-in at St. Therese in Sanford. Transportation will be provided to and from the Retreat Center in Lyman. We will conclude with a Mass at St. Therese on Sunday morning, followed by a brunch. The cost of the Retreat is \$250 and includes transportation, food, lodging, and activities. Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. FMI, Terry, Director, (207) 324-5718 or (207) 432-9722. To register and pay for the Retreat, please go to <https://stthereseparishmaine.org/acts-retreats>.



FAITH-SHARING INVITATION: Our OLH/POTHE ACTS Ministry is sponsoring a faith-sharing group for adults that meets once a month on Wednesday evenings. We gather at Our Lady of Hope Parish Hall, 492 Ocean Ave. Our group leader is Fr. Brian Conley, SJ. The next meeting is Wednesday, April 30, from 6.30 pm to 8 pm (there will be snacks!). Please plan to join us. All adults are welcome! FMI: Peter, (207) 329-5889.

PRAYER CORNER

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Saturday, April 26	Rev. Joseph W. Cahill Rev. John F. O'Hara
Sunday, April 27	Rev. Amandus B. Sway, AJ Rev. Peter A. Shaba, SMA
Monday, April 28	All Priests
Tuesday, April 29	Rev. Dominic Tumusiime, AJ Rev. Patrick Machayi, SMA
Weds., April 30	Rev. Timothy J. Nadeau Rev. Philip M. Tracy
Thursday, May 1	Rev. Joel R. Cyr Rev. James Doran
Friday, May 2	Rev. Raymond P. Morency Rev. Joseph A. Jum
Saturday, May 3	Rev. Aaron L. Damboise Rev. Jacques D. Dolbee, SOLT
Sunday, May 4	Bishop James T. Ruggieri



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PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: Vin Nguyen, Ezekiel Banla, Evans B. Yongyee, Joseph Beale, Nick Hershbine, Deacons: Erin Donlon, Thanh Duc Pham, Hoa Tien Nguyen.

PRAY FOR THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND FAMILY: Brother Chip Metevier; Laurene, wife of Brother Dennis Dempsey; Nancy, wife of Brother John Walkenford; Brother Gerald Bose; Brother Charles Thurston; Luke Roy, son of Brother Mark Roy; Art Crowley, brother of Brother Mike Crowley; Brother Manen Clements and wife Pat; Brother James King; Cindy Carrier, wife of Brother Steve Carrier; Brother Paul Tracy; Mark Mullaney, brother of Brother Peter Mullaney.

PLEASE KEEP IN HEALING PRAYER: Marianne McNally-Purda, Gretchen Sayward, Edward Hartnett, Peter Allen Longley, Marie McCann, Dolores Hartnett, Keith Stackpole, Ann Marie Branigan, Ryan Holden, Denise Tibbetts, Bob Pigeon, Nancy Crouch, Doris Charest, Charlie Miller, Jack Laibinis, Sr., Tiffany Eaton, Gilman Michaud, Kelly Dupont, Jean Bissonnette, Tanya Ziegler, Michael Connolly, Charles Pinette, Michaela McGee, Hannah Robinson, Pat Rideout, Joe Slattery, Dennis Chick, Michael Connolly.

Sharing God's Word ~ Through Faith Formation and Pastoral Life

FROM OUR FAITH FORMATION DIRECTOR ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA AND THE EXCHANGE OF HEARTS

St. Margaret Mary was not the only saint whom Jesus asked for her whole heart. Centuries earlier, St. Catherine of Siena (1347-1380) received the same grace, giving her heart to Christ and receiving His in return. While we may not receive a vision, we too are to give our entire hearts to Christ and ask that they be made like His. To conclude our series on the Sacred Heart, I would like to share this account from Bl. Raymond of Capua, St. Catherine's spiritual director:

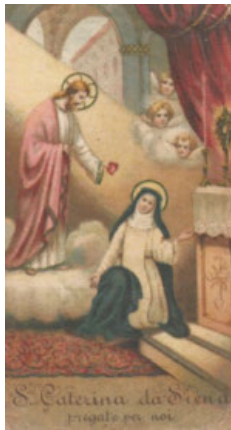
"One day in the fervor of her prayer, she said with the prophet, 'Create within me, O God, a new heart etc.,' and supplicated our Lord to condescend to take away her own heart and her own will. It seemed to her that her Spouse presented Himself to her, opened her left side, took out her heart and carried it with Him, so that in reality she no longer perceived it in her breast.

"This vision was striking, and her attendant symptoms agreed with it so well, that when she spoke of it to her Confessor, she assured him that she had really no heart. Her Confessor began to laugh, and rebuked her for saying anything of the kind, but she only renewed her assurance. 'Really, Father, as far as I can judge of what I experience in my person, it seems to me that I have no heart. The Lord appeared to me, opened my left side, drew out my heart, and went away.' And, as her Confessor declared to her that it would be impossible to live without any heart, she answered that nothing was impossible with God, and that she had a heart no longer.

"Some days later, she was in the Chapel of the Church of the Friar Preachers, in which the Sisters of Penance of St. Dominic assemble; she remained there alone so as to continue her prayer, and was disposing herself to return home, when on a sudden she saw herself environed with a light from heaven, and amid this light, the Savior appeared to her, bearing in His sacred hands a heart of vermillion hue and radiating fire.

"Deeply affected with this presence and this splendor, she prostrated herself on the ground. Our Lord approached, opened anew her left side, and placed in it the Heart which He bore, and said to her, 'Daughter, the other day I took thy heart; today I give thee Mine, and this will henceforward serve thee.' After these words He closed her breast; but, as a token of the miracle, He left there a cicatrice [mark] that her companions have frequently assured me they had seen, and when I questioned her pointedly on this subject, she avowed to me that the incident was really true, and that from that period she had adopted the custom of saying, 'My God, I recommend to Thee my heart.'"

—Joe Moreshead



SPIRITUAL EXERCISES FOR YOUNG ADULTS: Young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to a 5-week introduction to the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Each session will include an introduction to the principles St. Ignatius lays down in the Exercises, a guided meditation from the Exercises, and time for faith sharing and discussion afterwards. We will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm at Holy Martyrs Church. Please RSVP to Joe Moreshead at pothe.faithformation@portlanddiocese.org. Sessions begin April 29.

CONTRADANCE FOR TEENS: Teen contradances will be held on Wednesday, April 30 and Friday, June 6 from 5-8 pm in the Holy Martyrs hall. The night will conclude with compline (i.e. traditional night prayer) in the church. The contradance is geared towards high school students but is open to those between ages 13 and 25. You do not need to know how to dance prior to arriving; we will guide you through the steps. There were roughly 45 teens at the last contradance. We would love to have you join us! RSVP to catholicyouth-maine@gmail.com.



MAKING MUSIC, PRAYING TWICE—MUSIC AND MOVEMENT IN MAY: Join us for *Making* sessions during the Easter Season! These are inspiring, fun, lively, faith-filled music classes for little ones under 5 (older children welcome) and their caregivers! Fridays in May, 10:30 am at Holy Martyrs. FMI and to register, pothe.org/makingmusic.



VACATION BIBLE CAMP: Join our parish at Vacation Bible Camp this year, July 14-18, 9 am–noon. This year's theme is Wilderness Adventure. The goal of this program is to help children better understand the seven sacraments and deepen their love for Jesus. We are looking for campers in rising grades K-5 AND adult/teen volunteers. Camp will take place at Holy Martyrs this year! Registration is open now!



ADVERTISE IN OUR BULLETIN: Mac Economy from LPI, our bulletin publisher, will be securing new ads for our parish on May 6 and 7. As a valued member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com. Mac will be in our parish office to answer questions. FMI, contact Mac or our office, (207) 847-6890.





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Our Mission

We are the Parish of the Holy Eucharist, a Catholic community called to discipleship, seeking deeper communion with God, each other, and our neighbors by celebrating the Sacraments, sharing God's Word, and serving all in need.

Our Churches

Holy Martyrs: 266 Foreside Road, Falmouth

Sacred Heart: 326 Main Street, Yarmouth

St. Gregory the Great: 24 N. Raymond Road, Gray

Our Parish Office

Address:

Parish of the Holy Eucharist

266 Foreside Road

Falmouth, ME 04105

Our Cemetery

Holy Cross Cemetery

Our Eucharistic Adoration Schedule

Monday:

12:00 pm - 8:00 pm Holy Martyrs (except holidays)

Friday:

8:30 am - 9:30 am St. Gregory the Great

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm St. Jude

Our Confession Schedule

Tuesday:

5:30-6:30 pm St. Gregory the Great **NEW!**

Saturday:

8:00 am Holy Martyrs, 1st Saturday of the month

8:45-9:45 am Sacred Heart

2:30-3:30 pm Sacred Heart, St. Gregory the Great,

Our Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday (Anticipatory):

4:00 pm Holy Martyrs

4:00 pm St. Gregory the Great

4:00 pm Sacred Heart

Sunday:

8:00 am Sacred Heart

8:30 am Holy Martyrs

8:30 am St. Gregory the Great

9:30 am St. Jude

10:30 am Holy Martyrs

11:00 am Sacred Heart

5:30 pm Holy Martyrs (quiet Mass)

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Daily Masses

Monday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

8:00 am Sacred Heart

12:15 pm Saint Jude

Tuesday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

Wednesday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

Thursday:

8:00 am Sacred Heart

Friday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

8:00 am St. Gregory the Great

Saturday:

8:15 am Sacred Heart

9:00 am Holy Martyrs 1st Sat. of the month

Sacramental and Pastoral Care

Becoming Catholic: Please contact

pothe.faithformation@portlanddiocese.org

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office with the name, condition, address, and phone number of the person who is in need. **If calling after hours**, when voicemail message begins, press 7 to leave a message for the on-call priest.

Communion to the Homebound: Please email Regina Prince, regina.prince@portlanddiocese.org.

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants: Please contact our parish office to begin the process.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance of the desired date of your wedding.