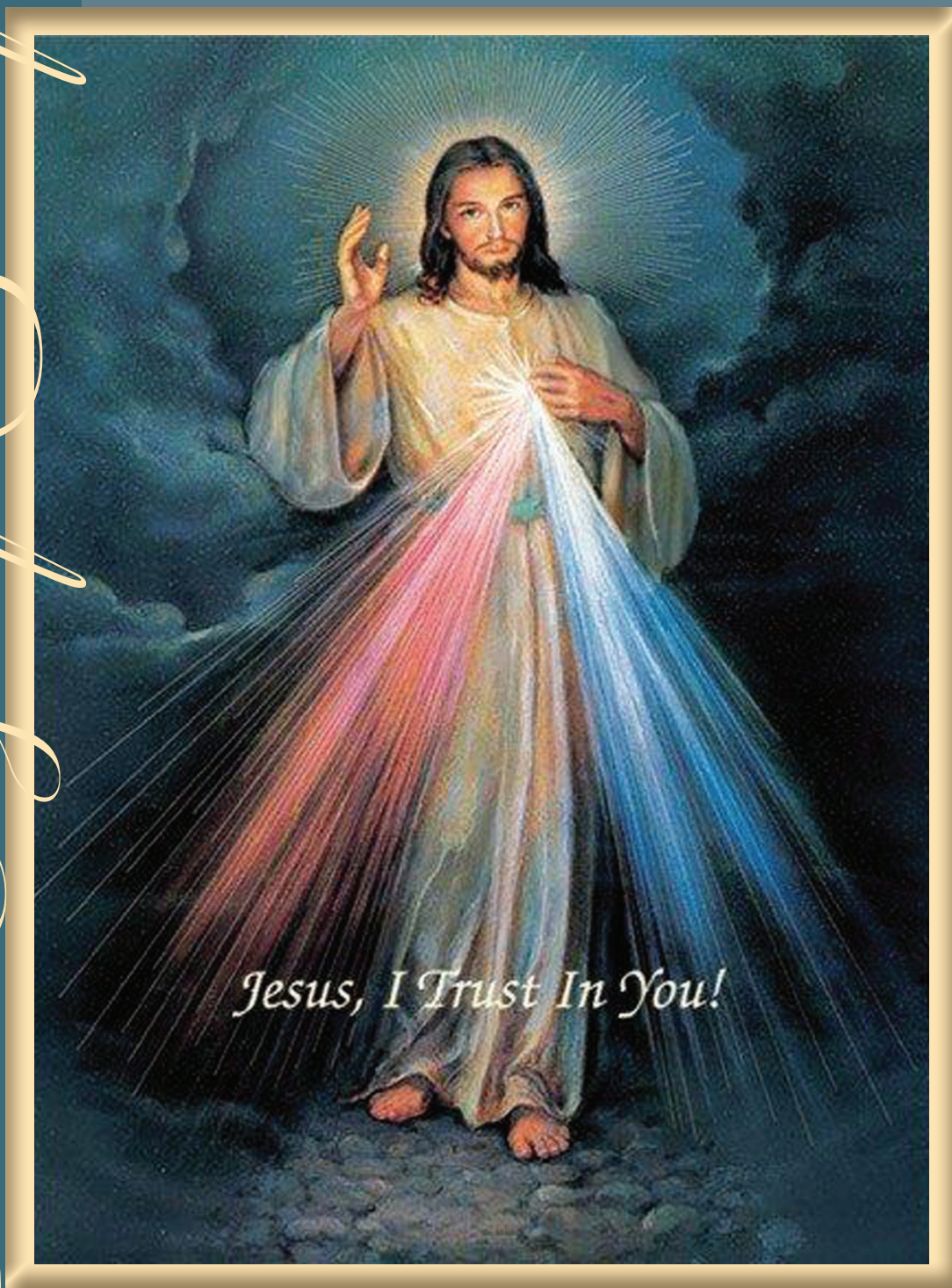


Divine Mercy Sunday



ST. JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC CHURCH
April 19, 2020

The Pastor Jots It Down...

My dear parishioners of St. John Bosco,

Today, we celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday**. This day Holy Mother Church takes the opportunity to remind us of God's abundant mercy.

Since we cannot celebrate solemnly in Church this year and fulfill the requirements for the plenary indulgence, we can as a family celebrate at home by praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Quoting from the Diary of St. Faustina, to whom the Lord entrusted the Divine Mercy message, we read:

"...I saw an Angel, the executor of divine wrath... about to strike the earth...I found myself pleading with God for the world with words heard interiorly. As I was praying in this manner, I saw the Angel's helplessness; he could not carry out the just punishment...." (Diary 474)

The following day an inner voice taught her to say this prayer on ordinary rosary beads:

"First of all you will say one 'Our Father', and 'Hail Mary', and the 'I believe in God'. Then on the Our Father beads you will say the following words:

'Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.'

On the Hail Mary beads you will say the following words:

'For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.'

In conclusion three times you will recite these words:

'Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world'. (Diary 476)

Jesus said later to Sister Faustina:

"Say unceasingly this chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great Mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this Chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My Infinite Mercy. I desire that the whole world know My Infinite Mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those who trust in My Mercy...." (Diary 687)

"....When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person not as the just judge but as the Merciful Savior".

As a parish family let us join together today (Sunday, April 19th) at 3pm (The hour of Mercy) in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet that the Lord may have mercy on us and touch the hearts of hardened sinners that they might open themselves up and accept God's mercy by turning back to Him.

God loves you!



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MASS SCHEDULE:

<i>Monday—Friday</i>	<i>7:00 am</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>8:00 am</i>
<i>Saturday Vigil</i>	<i>5:00 pm</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am</i>
	<i>5:00 pm</i>

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45pm
Sunday: 10:15 - 10:45am



The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about

600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message and devotional practices proposed in the *Diary of Saint Faustina* are completely in accordance with the teachings of Church and are firmly rooted in the Gospel message of our Merciful Savior. Properly understood and implemented, they will help us grow as genuine followers of Christ.

Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

From: TheDivineMercy.org website

The Divine Mercy Image



The Image of Jesus, The Divine Mercy, is to be venerated* on Divine Mercy Sunday. It is to be given a place of honor in our churches and homes on this Sunday. Our Lord appeared to St. Faustina and then directed her to have this appearance of Himself as the Merciful Savior painted and then venerated publicly. He told her, **I want the Image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it** (*Diary of St. Faustina*, 341).

In the Image, our Risen Savior has pale and red rays streaming from His side. These rays symbolize the Blood and Water that flowed from His side while He was on the cross. But, in His appearance to St. Faustina, they had been transformed into glorious rays, revealing a fount of healing graces for sinners who will turn to Him with trust. That is why the Image always bears the inscription: "Jesus, I trust in You!"

In our churches and homes, we can venerate* the Image of Jesus, The Divine Mercy, by gazing upon it in prayer and adoration. As signs of our love for Jesus, we can place candles and flowers before the Image. First and foremost, as we gaze upon our Merciful Savior in prayer, we can decide to trust in Him and to perform works of mercy — responding to the call to be merciful just as He has shown mercy to us.

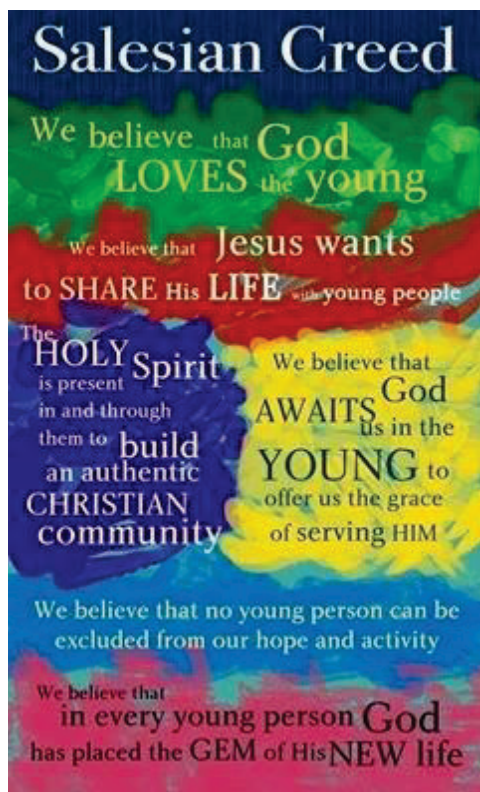
* To "venerate" a sacred image simply means to perform some act or make some gesture of deep religious respect toward it because of the person whom it represents.

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Vocation Prayer Intention



April 17-23 please pray for
Daniel Lee
who is in candidacy at the
Formation House in
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North Carolina



Altar Flowers

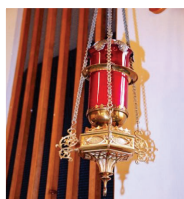
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BREAD AND WINE

Celebration of the Eucharist
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MASS INTENTIONS

April 18	8:00am	An end to the pandemic
	5:00pm	+Dale Hymel +Penelope Solis +Peter John Paul Nguyen +Joseph Lai Duc Anh +John Baptist Tuan Nguyen +Wayne Delaune +Peter Jimmy Pham +May & Ruiz Families +Melvin & Ruth Cheramie +Maria Nguyen Thi Chuong +James James Haskel Burns +John Hefti +Robert & Notile Klein +Frances, Darlene & Dona Hefti +Charles & Della Perry
April 19	7:30am	+Douglas F. Ferrer
	9:00am	Parishioners of St. John Bosco
	11:00am	+Paul Louis Nguyen Dinh Dzung +Poor Souls In Purgatory +Charles & Genevieve Darsey +Joan Baotixita Ann Do, AOD
	5:00pm	+Veronica Nguyen Thi Tin
April 20	7:00am	+Gerald McGittigan, MOB
April 21	7:00am	+John Hop Tran
April 22	7:00am	+Maria Vieng Pham
April 23	7:00am	+Paul Nha Chu, AOD 4/24
April 24	7:00am	Parke Le, Happy Birthday
April 25	8:00am	Nguyen Thi Tin, Happy Birthday
	5:00pm	+Peter Blum, AOD 4/29 +Paul Louis Nguyen Dinh Dzung +Ruth Cheramie, MOB 4/27 +Ronald Landry +Abdon & Quiaoit Families +Jacqueline G. Guillot, AOD 4/24 +Vicente Nguyen Van Ky +Peter John Paul Nguyen +Joseph Lai Duc Anh +Souls in Purgatory +Father Michael Fraser +Cheryl Perry Smith +John Baptist Tuan Nguyen +Theresa Cindy Cao +Wayne Delaune
April 26	7:30am	+Estelle & William Allen +Thanksgiving to St. Jude
	9:00am	Parishioners of St. John Bosco
	11:00am	+Veronica Tin Thi Nguyen
	5:00pm	+Penelope Solis

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