

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 16, 2023

FROM OUR PRIESTS' DESKS:

Dear sisters and brothers of Sacred Heart:

As St. Thomas the Apostle—who was aptly called “the Doubting Thomas”—stood among the other apostles on that Sunday after the Resurrection, torn by doubts and suspicions, he was privileged by a wondrous sight. His doubts faded away as he saw the Risen Jesus standing before him and confirming the truth of what his companions had said. That experience was a unique grace granted to one of the founders of the Church, and so the words of Jesus at that moment were directed more *to us* than to Thomas. “You have believed, Thomas, because you have seen me,” Jesus said, “blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

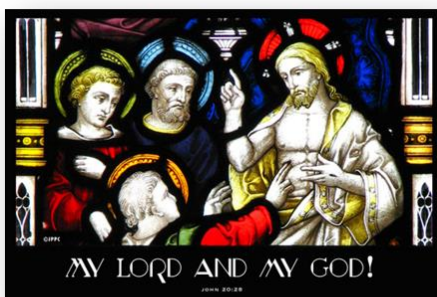
So, we who have not seen the Risen Jesus with our physical eyes are still invited to believe in his power and to trust in his mercy and love: something we highlight on this Divine Mercy Sunday, whose primary message is contained in the simple words: “*Jesus, I trust in you.*” And those who have learned the meaning of fidelity and who have run the risk of trusting will hear the Lord’s words, first spoken to Thomas: “Take your finger and examine my hands; put your hand into my side. Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe” . . . The name Thomas, we are told in the Scripture, means *twin*. No such person ever appears in the Gospels, and so maybe Thomas’ double, his twin, is each one of us—you and me—called to fidelity and called to trust. And hopefully our response to the invitation to faith and trust will be identical with that of Thomas: “*My Lord, and my God!*”

In His Grace,

Fr. John Gruben

Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR, Pastor

Fr. Eric Crelencia



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Dear family of Sacred Heart:

Please join us on Divine Mercy Sunday, **TODAY**, April 16, 2023, for worship in the church beginning at 2pm with Holy Exposition and Adoration including recitation of the Divine Mercy chaplet, Litany Of Divine Mercy and various reflections from Saint Faustina’s diary of our Lord’s revelations to the saint, including: **IN THIS HOUR, I WILL REFUSE NOTHING TO THE SOUL THAT MAKES A REQUEST OF ME IN VIRTUE OF MY PASSION (#1230)** Let us join together on this sacred day of prayer and the sacrament of reconciliation!! Imagine our Lord telling us: “Even the most hardened heart will receive my abundant grace and full forgiveness!” That is indeed a blessing from Heaven!!

Hermanos en Cristo, por favor vengan en el día de Misericordia Divina el domingo 16 de abril!!! El Señor los invita con brazos abiertos y su corazón humilde! Empezamos la hora santa a las 2 de la tarde en la iglesia!! Que Dios los bendiga!!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in Him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the house of Israel say, “His mercy endures forever.” Let the house of Aaron say, “His mercy endures forever.” Let those who fear the Lord say, “His mercy endures forever.”

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS’ NAME

Palm Sunday– \$16,204.

Last Year’s – \$15,831.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, April 16 **DIVINE MERCY**

Monday, April 17

Rel. Ed – Grade 6 – 4:30pm -6:00pm

Tuesday, April 18

Religious Ed. – Grades 3 – 5 – 4:30 to 6:00pm

Religious Ed. – Grades 7 & 8 – 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Wednesday, April 19

IHM – 7:30pm in the church

Thursday, April 20

Friday, April 21

Saturday, April 22

Religious Ed. Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am to 11am

SACRED HEART PARISH 25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MAY 21ST, 2023

On May 21, 2023, our parish will honor all those celebrating these milestone anniversaries at the 10:00am Mass followed by a reception. If you are celebrating your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime this year, please contact the Rectory Office and let us know. 845-357-0035.

OUR LADY'S GUILD



Our Lady's Guild of Sacred Heart will hold their annual mass and May crowning on May 7th at the 10 am mass followed by a brunch at the Mason Jar in Mahwah. All the women of the parish are invited. For further information call B. Murphy at 917-363-9207. We hope to see you there.

CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

To date our parish has received **\$37,540**. Toward our goal of **\$104,000**. Please support this important effort for the church in New York and our own parish.

AFTERNOON AT THE RACES THE SONS OF ITALY

The Vincent Linguanti Lodge of the Suffern Sons of Italy is hosting "Day at the Races" in our School Cafeteria.

Saturday, April 29, 2023 – 12pm to 4pm

\$10 pp All are welcome for a fun time. With pizza, hot dogs, drinks, and dessert. Proceeds to benefit Lodge Charities.

DON BOSCO PREP

Don Bosco Prep will be hosting its Spring Open House May 4th 6:30-8:30 PM. Our Open House is a fantastic way to learn more about the school and the Ironmen community and Spirit. Tour our campus. Engage with faculty and staff. Meet current Ironmen. Do not pass up this chance to explore all that Don Bosco Prep has to offer! Register at donboscoprep.org

ST. AUGUSTINE SCHOOL

118 S Main St., New City, NY 10956

This year marks the 10th year since the closure of the school. A School Wide Reunion is being planned for Saturday, June 10 at 6:30pm in the Zoeller Center at St. Augustine's Church. All Students, Faculty and family are welcome to attend. That's 52 years' worth of students and faculty, please spread the word.

Email at: staugreunion@gmail.com

Facebook: Saint Augustine School Reunion Group

Instagram: @staugustinereunion

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME

125 Sisters Servants Lane, Sloatsburg, NY

PRESENTS

ROCK THE NIGHT AWAY

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

Doors Open At 5:30pm Followed by Dinner and Entertainment.

Tickets: \$75 -Buffet Catered Dinner by Character's Restaurant. Live Performances by

DIANA ROSS ELVIS PRESLEY THE BEATLES

Limited seating please call for reservations-845-753-2555. Raffles, Food, Live Entertainment.!

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Healing Weekend: Begging Experience of the Hudson Valley is inviting men and women of all ages who have suffered the loss of a spousal relationship to an overnight weekend retreat held at St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon NY from April 21 to 23. Registration required Phyllis at 914-261-5812 or Betty at 973-903-3941.



SISTERS OF LIFE

Providing Life-affirming choices for women: Here in the Archdiocese of New York, there are many resources that provide women facing

unplanned pregnancies with alternatives to abortion. If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact: www.visitationcenterus.org or call (877)777-1277.

"Have you suffered an abortion? Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following child who was recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

LUCAS ZANDER JEAN BAPTISTE

Son of Oliver and Stacey

IKER YAHIR GARCIA FLORES

Son of Luis and Ixy

JUSTIN DIETER KAFFENBERGER

Son of Hans and Julie

DANIEL AGUILAR

Son of Deisy



*Remember
Our Sick*

*Please pray for those who are ill and
have asked us to pray for them:*

Theresa Anselmi, Emil Boss, Joe Bauer, Baby Braven Ryan, Elantoniette Camagong, Ronald Carlucci, Siobhan Casey, Angie Clifford, Joseph Collins Jr., Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Fr. Frank Cregan, Laudelina Crowley, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, Carol Deery, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Marge Diebner, Karen DeJoie, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Ginny & Sonny Figula, William Figundio, Stefanie Gaudelli, John Genardi, Teddy Girvan, Joseph Gilson, Debra Gravina, Nick Gravina, Mary Guarnieri, Senan Halpin, Clement & Maureen Hayes, John Hughes, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Kathleen Keane, Thomas Kelly, Eileen Kennedy, Rick Konrad, Steven C. Klumpp, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Robert Liggio, Ginger Listwan, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Jacob Mendelsohn, Joyce Miller, Iraidia Molina, Barbara Neilson, Robert Nunes, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Nolita Padilla, Joseph Payne, Shace Paljusevic, Noreen Pidgeon, Barbara Procopio, James Procopio, Louis Paturzo, Charles Picarelli, Danny Ranke, Della Russell, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Abdul Shakur, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Thomas Sullivan, Rose Stark, Maureen Starke, Lindsey Sterling, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Janet Tamburro, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, and Christopher Yan.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

APRIL 16, 2023

**Altar Candles In Memory of
MARY KEANE**

**Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of
DR. LEO GRECO**



*Remember
Our Deceased...*

Let us pray for our deceased parishioners,
and family members and loved ones:

Especially: **JOSEPH MALIFRANDO, SUSAN E.
SPIEGELMAN, CAROL ELIZABETH RITTER
HELEN POOKE**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**9:00AM DAILY – (MONDAY – SATURDAY)
SATURDAY VIGILS – 5:30PM AND 7:15PM (S)
SUNDAYS**

**8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM 4:00PM (S) AND
5:30PM**

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

9:00am – † Clark Hodgson

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5:30pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Dolores Mendolia

7:15pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Ryszard Cygan

SUNDAY, APRIL 16 Divine Mercy

8:30am – † Dianne Messina

10:00am – † John Bukowski, II

11:30am – † Palma & Henry Heck

4:00pm – † Barcelona Chuan Hinojosa

5:30pm – † All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

MONDAY, APRIL 17

9:00am – † Catherine Halloran

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

9:00am – † William Halloran

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

9:00am – † Jimmy Halloran

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

9:00am – † John Riggio

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

9:00am – † Charles & Florence Marsalisi /

† Jennifer Hartmann

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

9:00am – † Angelo Benedetto

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

5:30pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Dermot Healy

7:15pm – **Vigil Mass** – † Almas del Purgatorio &
† John Hill

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

8:30am – † Johnny McGrath

10:00am – † Edward Sadowski

11:30am – † Lucy Scarpelli

4:00pm – † Spanish – Barcelona Chuan Hinojosa

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

BOOSTER CLUB

**WEEK 20– MR. & MRS. DENNIS
CHEESEMAM**