

**WHAT IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY?**

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Blessed John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her Diary entry 699:



**My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy.**

In all, St. Faustina recorded 14 revelations from Jesus concerning His desire for this feast.

Nevertheless, Divine Mercy Sunday is **NOT** a feast based solely on St. Faustina's revelations. Indeed, it is not primarily about St. Faustina - nor is it altogether a new feast. **The Second Sunday of Easter was already a solemnity as the Octave Day of Easter. The title "Divine Mercy Sunday" does, however highlight the meaning of the day.**



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."

*John 20:27-29*



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Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

*As a Catholic Church Family, we respond to Christ's call, evangelize, and welcome all generations to the Holy Eucharist.*

**PARISH MOTTO**

*St. Pius X adopted the motto of St. Paul for his work as Pope, "to restore all things in Christ, so that Christ may be all in all."*

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**ST. ANTHONY:**

Tuesday: Mass 7:00 a.m.  
Mass & Novena 4:00 p.m.  
Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.  
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**Rosary:**

Monday: 7:00 p.m.

**ST. PIUS X:**

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. (Vigil)  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

St Anthony Tuesdays  
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**RCIA:**

St Anthony Rectory Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

**Confessions:**

Before weekend Mass or by appointment.

**Baptism:**

Second Sunday of the month. The Seminar is the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact the rectory for forms prior to seminar.

**Marriage:**

Please contact Fr. Luke six months prior to desired ceremony date.

**Funeral:**

Please contact Fr. Luke before final arrangements of funeral.

**Anointing of the Sick:**

Available upon request.

**C.C.D. Classes:**

Sunday's grades 10 & 11, Monday's grades 1-9

**Ministry to the Sick and Shut In:**

Parishioners unable to attend mass and receive communion, please call the rectory.

**Scripture Outline & Reflection**

Thomas believed because he saw the risen Jesus (3). Although we have never seen him, we believe in him (2). We give thanks to the Lord (Ps) for this gift of faith, especially when we gather for the breaking of the bread and the prayers (1).



**DIVINE MERCY**

APRIL 19, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**HALL RENTAL**

The St. Anthony and Joseph Halls (St. Pius X) are available to rent for special occasions. For information please contact the Rectory 689-4101.

**STAY CONNECTED**

*BULLETIN*

For announcements please contact the Rectory 689-4101.

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**ONLINE GIVING**

Online giving now available. Visit our parish website to sign up.

**SECOND COLLECTION**

The second collection during mass will be collected following the first collection. This will allow time for reflection after communion.

**ST. ANTHONY/ST. PIUS X**

To place flowers on the altar, have the Sanctuary Lamps burn or have Special Mass Intentions held in honor of a loved one please notify the rectory **two weeks prior to date**, envelopes for this purpose can be found at the entrance of the church.

**ST. PIUS X**

The Church will be locked at all times except during Masses. We have installed a punch button lock box. For access code, please call the rectory.

**SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK**

FOURTH Friday of each month @ St. Anthony Parish Hall at 9:00 A.M.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen**



**OFFERTORY**

We gratefully acknowledge all that God has given to us. In gratitude, we have returned to Him:

Collections April 11th & April 12th

**ST. ANTHONY / ST. PIUS X**

1st Collection: \$ 1,354.00

2nd Collection: \$ 345.00

Children's Collection \$

This weeks Online Giving \$395.00

**Total Weekly Offerings \$2,094.00**

**ST. ANTHONY**

**ST. PIUS X**

Electric Bill (March)

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\$1,680.31

\$ 570.65

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

**ST. ANTHONY**

**ST. PIUS X**

God of mercy, we trust in your goodness, even when our human hearts are overcome by the shadow of doubt. Give us faith that requires no



*"I thanked doctors, nurses, volunteers. 'But you have forgotten the pharmacists'. They too have been working hard to help the sick get better. Let us pray for them as well".*

*Pope Francis*

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Because of coronavirus masses are not being scheduled**

**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER**

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 united myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



**WORD OF THE WEEK**

**NOVENA** - A public or private religious devotion lasting nine days in imitation of the nine days' waiting by the Apostles for the coming of the Holy Spirit.



The reason we're not really Christian is we don't have the guts. We don't want to make a decision. Imagine the joy when you make a decision for Jesus, when you stand up for the Lord. Can you imagine the exaltation in the Kingdom and the humiliation in the depths of Hell when you, a puny, insignificant sinner say "no" to the enemy, and "yes" to God?

*Mother Angelica*

**Holy Water Blessed at**

**Easter Vigil is**

**Available on**

**St. Anthony's Altar**



**St. Anthony Sanctuary Lamps**

*In Memory of All Deceased Parishioners*

**St. Pius X Sanctuary Lamps**

*Will burn in memory of Emery Catherine Bordelon and that*

**Shawn Chauppette Bordelon**

*feels the Healing Power of Jesus, Mary and St. Jude*



**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

Parishioners and Shirley Touchard, Emery Catherine Bordelon, Vincent Palisi, Eric Frickey, Ragnhild Melford, Andrew Joseph Dempster, Jr., Shelby Frank Olano, Erdie Ronquille, Russell Rojas, Sr., Brenda Parria, Theophile Bourgeois, III and Lourie Perrin Huxen, Harriet Belsome, Brad Carmadelle, Paul Lebeau, Daniel J. Boutte, Lawrence Michel, Jr., Ruth Marie Whipple, Celie Robin, Stanley Folse, Maude Hymel, Vivian Fisher, David Perrin, Esther Mayfield, Geraldine Favalaro, Lynn Sawyer, Ricky Matherne, Josephine Smith, Reed Prestenbach, Sr., Ronald J. Perrin, Paul Eschete, Gertie Rosalie Danos, Brent Olano, Elvira Kuhn, Jules Caulfield, Malvin Pizani, Patsy Creppel, Ida Mayfield Alexie, Joseph Bourgoies, Allen E. Prestenbach, Maude Hymel, Dave Perrin, Vivian Fisher and Stanley Folse

**EAT OYSTERS - LIVE LONGER**

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