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April 28 2019

Divine Mercy Sunday

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Office Hours

Mon. to Fri. 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday 9:30 am - 6:00 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 7:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m.
& 3:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Devotions Rosary half an hour
before weekday Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

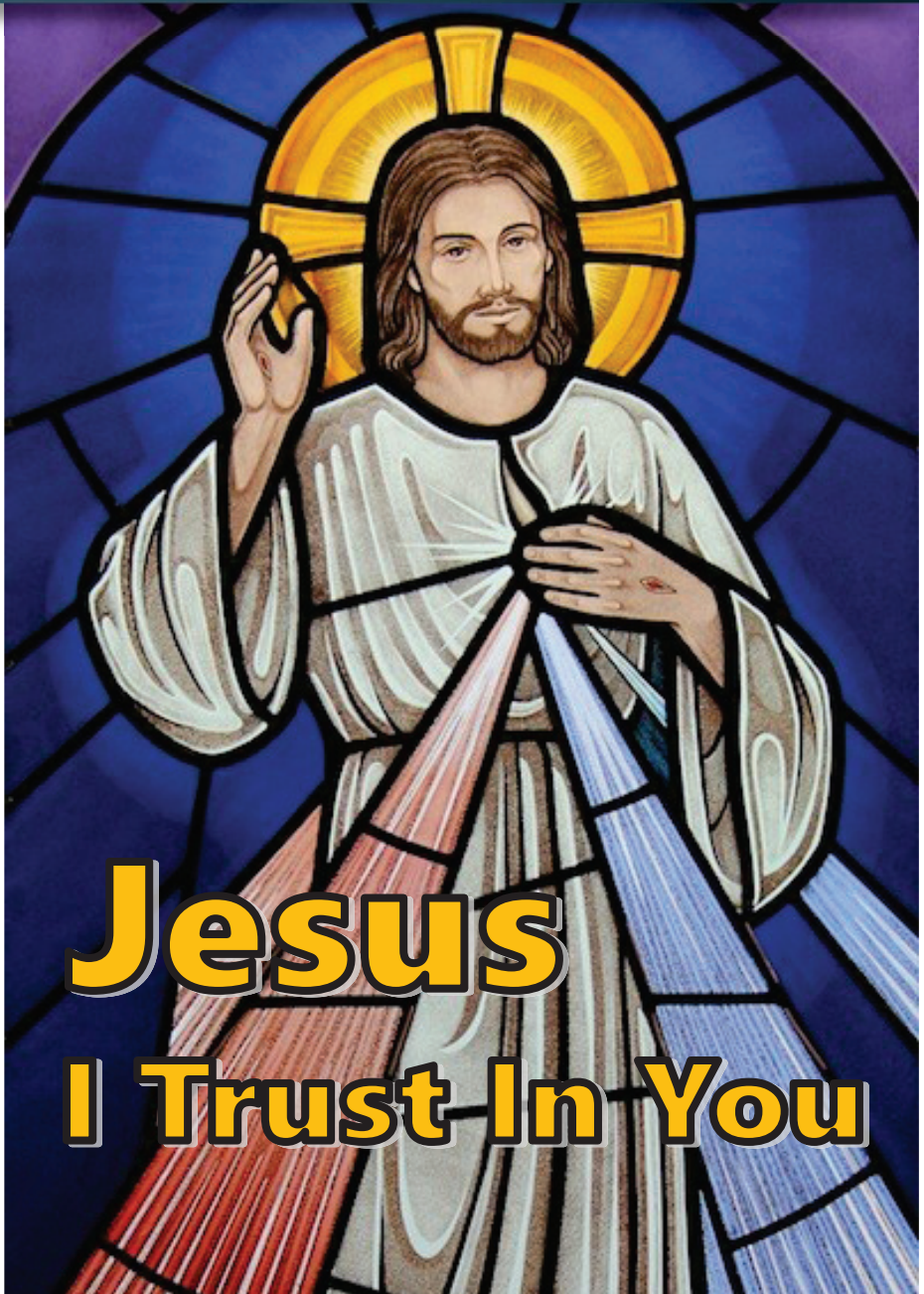
Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
& by appointment

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Thursday 9:30am to 8:00pm
Fridays 9:30am to 6:00pm
Saturdays 9:30am to 4:00pm



Parish Schools

St. Mary905-451-1020
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St. Kevin905-450-0571
Bishop Francis Allen905-457-4677
Cardinal Leger S.S.905-453-2232

Baptisms Please contact the parish office.

Marriages Please contact the parish office a year in advance.

Adults Seeking Baptism—RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

If you are an adult who has not been baptized or wish to be received into the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office.

Vocations Director Fr. Chris Lemieux 416-968-0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca

**Mass Intentions
For the Week**



Monday, April 29
St. Catherine of Siena

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Doris Borg †

Tuesday, April 30
St. Pius V

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Joseph Paul †

Wednesday, May 1
St. Joseph the Worker

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Marlene Pacheco †
• Celine Ranan †
• Kathryn Northey †

Thursday, May 2
St. Athanasius

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Frank Reis †

Friday, May 3
St. Philip & St. James

9:00 a.m. - Mass
Special Intention for
• Fila

6:00 p.m. Holy Hour

7:00 p.m. - Mass
• Fardo Romualdi †

Saturday, May 4
Easter Weekday

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Mary-Jo Da Silva †
• Maria & Manuel Correia †
• Lois Galbraith †

***Devotion to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help
after the morning Mass***

4:00 p.m. - Confessions
5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass

Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
This weekend we celebrate "Divine Mercy Sunday".
Here is a part of a longer article from Salt and Light television,
which speaks to St. John Paul II's deep devotion to the Divine Mercy
and his connection to this Sunday's feast.
Happy Easter,
Fr. Liborio



Divine Mercy Pope

Divine Mercy Sunday celebrates the merciful love of God shining through the Easter Triduum and the whole Easter mystery. The feast recovers an ancient liturgical tradition, reflected in a teaching attributed to St. Augustine about the Easter Octave, which he called "the days of mercy and pardon," and the Octave Day itself "the compendium of the days of mercy."
Pope John Paul II's interest in Divine Mercy goes back to the days of his youth in Krakow when Karol Wojtyla was an eyewitness to so much evil and suffering during World War II in occupied Poland. He witnessed the round ups of many people who were sent to concentration camps and slave labor. In his hometown of Wadowice, he had many Jewish friends who would later die in the Holocaust. During that time of terror and fear, Karol Wojtyla decided to enter Cardinal Sapieha's clandestine seminary in Krakow. He experienced the need for God's mercy and humanity's need to be merciful to one another. While in the seminary, he met another seminarian, Andrew Deskur (who would later become cardinal), who introduced Karol to the message of the Divine Mercy, as revealed to the Polish mystic nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, who died at the age of 33 in 1938.
At the beginning of his pontificate in 1981, Pope John Paul II wrote an entire encyclical dedicated to Divine Mercy -- *Dives in Misericordia* (Rich in Mercy) -- illustrating that the heart of the mission of Jesus Christ was to reveal the merciful love of the Father. In 1993, when Pope John Paul II beatified Sister Faustina Kowalska, he stated in the homily for her beatification Mass: "Her mission continues and is yielding astonishing fruit. It is truly marvelous how her devotion to the merciful Jesus is spreading in our contemporary world, and gaining so many human hearts!"
Four years later in 1997, the Holy Father visited Blessed Faustina's tomb in Lagiewniki, Poland, and preached powerful words: "*There is nothing that man needs more than Divine Mercy. ... From here went out the message of mercy that Christ Himself chose to pass on to our generation through Blessed Faustina.*"
In the Jubilee year 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized Sister Faustina -- making her the first canonized saint of the new millennium -- and established "Divine Mercy Sunday" as a special title for the Second Sunday of Easter for the universal Church.
Pope John Paul II spoke these words in the homily: "*Jesus shows His hands and His side [to the Apostles]. He points, that is, to the wounds of the Passion, especially the wound in His Heart, the source from which flows the great wave of mercy poured out on humanity.*"
One year later, in his homily for Divine Mercy Sunday in 2001, the Pope called the message of mercy entrusted to St. Faustina: "*The appropriate and incisive answer that God wanted to offer to the questions and expectations of human beings in our time, marked by terrible tragedies ... Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity at the dawn of the third millennium.*"
Again in Lagiewniki, Poland, in 2002, at the dedication of the new Shrine of Divine Mercy, the Holy Father consecrated the whole world to Divine Mercy, saying: "*I do so with the burning desire that the message of God's merciful love, proclaimed here through St. Faustina, may be made known to all the peoples of the earth, and fill their hearts with hope.*" In his Regina Caeli address of April 23, 2006, Pope Benedict XVI said: "The mystery of God's merciful love was at the centre of the pontificate of my venerated predecessor." Now that same Providence has desired that this year, on Divine Mercy Sunday, Benedict XVI would proclaim blessed his predecessor, Pope John Paul II, the great apostle and ambassador of Divine Mercy.

April 28th, 2019

Living the Gospel by Welcoming Newcomers to Canada

Jane endured years of domestic abuse while living in Egypt. Fearing her husband would abuse their children, she successfully applied for refugee status in Canada. Jane arrived in Toronto, not knowing the language, what to do, or who could help. Fortunately, she met an Arabic speaker who told her about Catholic Crosscultural Services (CCS). CCS helped her navigate the immigration process and access the resources she needed. "CCS saved my life," Jane says. "Today I have money of my own, an apartment, and my children are finally safe and happy."

2019
Parish Goal:
\$116,200.00
Collected to Date:
\$ 35,089.10
Thank You!



Next Sunday, May 5 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

CWL News - Our Flea Market was a Huge Success!



We would like to thank all the volunteers (including the youth and spouses) who helped with the set up and clean up. A special thank you to all the volunteers who worked the tables. Thank you to all who supported the Catholic Women's League with your donations and purchases.

We could not have done it without you!

Bazaar Worknights: Mondays May 13 & May 27 Church lower level at 7:30 pm. We will be taking the summer off. These are the last 2 worknights until Sep. 9th. Everyone welcome.

Executive Meeting: Wednesday May 15th at 7:00 pm Parish Hall.

Perpetual Adoration Day: Tuesday, May 14, is Perpetual Adoration Day in our chapel from 9:30 a.m. to its closing at 8 p.m. To ensure that all hours are covered, parishioners are invited to participate by recording their chosen time on the clipboard located outside the office. "Everyone of us needs half an hour of prayer each day, except when we are busy—then we need an hour." St. Francis de Sales

Knit One Crochet Too!

The Knitting/Crocheting group will be meeting downstairs in the Pocock Room: Evenings at 7 p.m. to 8:45: Mornings at 10 a.m. to noon: Newcomers always welcome.



Catholic Education Week—May 5th to 10th

During Catholic Education Week, we give thanks for the gift of publicly funded Catholic Education in our province. Catholic schools foster supportive communities where young people can experience the joy of God's love and understand the Christian mission in the world. Together, our parishes, educators and families sow the seeds of faith with the next generation of Catholics, challenging them to live as joyful and faithful disciples. To affirm your support of Catholic education & sign-up for email updates, visit: www.togetherinfaith.ca

May 9th Bus to Ottawa for Pro-Life March for Life



This 22nd National March for Life marks 50 years of abortion on demand in Canada. We march in memory of the 4 million + children killed before birth by abortion since 1969 when former Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau passed an omnibus bill decriminalizing abortion. Abortion is the civil rights movement of our day and you are invited to support pro-life through active participation in this event.

St Jerome's & St Mary's are sharing a bus departing St. Mary's at 4:30 am Thursday, May 9th - Let's fill the bus!! It is an amazing "must see for yourself" day and truly memorable experience. For details and to sign up call Liz at St Mary's office 905-451-2300 ext. 28.

Refugee Resettlement Committee

Currently there have been five or six people that have expressed interest in becoming a core group to form a committee to assist in sponsoring another refugee family. In order for this initiative to become a possibility we would require more volunteers; otherwise, this opportunity will need to be delayed to another time. If you feel God calling you to take part in this ministry, please contact Fr. Patrick 905-451-2300 or patrickcezamoracce@gmail.com.

Let us
Pray

For the Recently Deceased

Rita Rose Busby
Cornelia Lipman
Kathryn Northey



**Pray for
Vocations**

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood or consecrated life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997**

vocations@archtoronto.org
www.vocationstoronto.ca

Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations

Cardinal Collins has designated Friday, May 3, 2019 as the Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. We have three prayer intentions on this day: for the right discernment of vocations still unfolding; for endurance in committed vocations; and for an increase of priestly and religious vocations. Please take a moment to pray for vocations on Friday, May 3.

*Thank You for
your Offering*

April 19th, 2019


Good Friday
Pontifical Collection
\$ 15,570.65

April 21st, 2019

Easter Sunday Collection
\$ 23,435.15

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