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Divine Mercy Sunday

PLENARY INDULGENCE

THROUGH PRIVATE REVELATION TO ST. FAUSTINA, JESUS REVEALED:

“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). The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699).”

- Diary of St. Maria Faustyna Kowalska -

DIVINE MERCY IS FOR YOU

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated annually on the first Sunday after Easter. A Plenary Indulgence removes all temporal punishment due to forgiven sin ("Temporal punishment" is the "making up" for sin to which we are obliged after we are forgiven). A Plenary Indulgence can be applied to one's self or to anyone who is deceased. A Plenary Indulgence can be gained once per day.

THREE NORMAL CONDITIONS FOR GAINING ANY PLENARY INDULGENCE



Sacramental Confession within 20 days of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11, 2021



Eucharistic Communion



Prayers for the Pope's Intentions

ONE SPECIFIC WORK REQUIRED ON DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

In any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy.

OR

In the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. "Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!").

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 10

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Children of Tom & Becky Jackson

Sunday, April 11

- Sunday of Divine Mercy -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Alberta Ilnicki +
12:05 p.m. Rosary
12:30 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, April 12

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, April 13

No Adoration this morning
8:00 a.m. Conrad Balentine +
8:30-9:00 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, April 14

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Jim Dedrick +

Thursday, April 15

8:00 a.m. Ruth Bradley +

Friday, April 16

8:30 a.m. Larry Henry +

Saturday, April 17

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, April 18

- Third Sunday of Easter -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Evelyn Morrissey +
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Rose Marie & Robert Bates +
12:05 p.m. Rosary
12:30 p.m. Special Intention

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Apr. 12 - Easter Weekday - Acts 4:23-31/
Jn 3:1-8

Tues., Apr. 13 - Easter Weekday - St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr - Acts 4:32-37/ Jn 3:7b-15

Wed., Apr. 14 - Easter Weekday - Acts 5:17-26/
Jn 3:16-21

Thurs., Apr. 15 - Easter Weekday - Acts 5:27-33/ Jn 3:31-36

Fri., Apr. 16 - Easter Weekday - Acts 5:34-42/
Jn 6:1-15

Sat., Apr. 17 - Easter Weekday - Acts 6:1-7/ Jn 6:16-21

Sun., Apr. 18 - Third Sunday of Easter - Acts
Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/ 1 Jn 2:1-5a/ Lk 24:35-48

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 11, 2021

To close the **Easter Octave**, we celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday** this weekend (April 10th/11th). First given this name in 2000 by Pope St. John Paul II, this title arises from devotion to the Divine Mercy as revealed to St. Faustina Kowalska. On this day, we are reminded of how God's mercy can overcome the death of the soul to sin just as Christ overcame death itself. In this way, we conclude the **Easter Octave** prepared to face the world and preach the name of Divine Mercy, Jesus Christ.

Easter is not just an event to be remembered, but is a reality that we continue living in our lives. The **Easter season** runs for 50 days, just as Christ remained on the earth for 50 days, appearing to His disciples and giving them the commission to evangelize, until His ascension into Heaven. The 50-day joy of Easter should be lived just as intensely as the 40-day preparation of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent.

UPDATES TO OUR LITURGICAL DIRECTIVES

This past Tuesday, Gov. Holcomb's newest executive order has made significant changes to our state's COVID19-related precautions. The same day, Bishop Rhoades released the latest updates for our diocesan liturgical directives (*quoted as follows*). Regarding **masking**, "our Catholic infectious disease consultants recommend retaining that diocesan requirement (*which predated the state's mask mandate*) for the time being. As with all our precautionary measures, the mask rule will continue to be reevaluated, taking into account positive developments on various fronts of the pandemic."

In regards to **social distancing**, we can "begin utilizing every pew in parts of the church if this is necessary to accommodate Mass crowds as long as the pews maintain three feet of distance in front of and behind parishioners." Thankfully, our pews are able to meet this three feet accommodation and will allow us to begin safely increasing our church's capacity. This has become needed as more people feel safe returning to public worship, especially at our 10 AM Sunday Mass which has begun to make use of our overflow seating in the Parish Social Hall.

Starting next Sunday (April 18th), **we will remove the ropes between the last five pews in the back of the Church. The remainder of the Church, however, will remain spaced at six feet intervals (every other pew).** This means that, if you would feel more comfortable having an empty pew in front and behind you, please sit in the pews closer to the front of the Church. (*We will continue to monitor attendance at each liturgy and make adjustments as needed.*)

Finally, **we will continue, for the time being, our current practice of sanitizing pews after each Mass with disinfecting wipes.** Given our understanding of the rarity of surface transmission of COVID19, we are looking into different disinfecting methods that can be used on our pews that will be less damaging to their finish. This will most likely include the use of a spray disinfectant that can be applied to the pews in-between Mass times. Updates to come as we look more into these available options.

As always, the updated diocesan liturgical directives are available in-full on our parish website. I thank you, once again, for your patience and understanding as we try to best follow and respect these directives given to us by Bishop Rhoades.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David



Sharon Miller, Becky Biberstein, Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Jimmy Robbins, Andrea Holte, Tom Williams, Jen Coyne, John Houlihan, Tom Courtney, Nora LaVine and Pete Geels.

ST. JOSEPH WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING

The St. Joseph Women's Group will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. All women of St. Joseph's Church is invited to attend.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, April 13 with recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.



PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., Apr. 10 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Apr. 10 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 11 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 11 - Religious Education Classes Resume— 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Apr. 13 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Tues., Apr. 13 - Knights of Columbus - recitation of the Holy Rosary in Church 6:40 p.m. / Meeting in the Parish Social Hall 7:00 p.m.
- Tues., Apr. 13 - St. Joseph Women's Group - 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.
- Wed., Apr. 14 - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Apr. 14 - Parish Council Meeting - following evening Mass.
- Sat., Apr. 17 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Apr. 17 - Raised flower/garden beds WORK DAY - following morning Mass.
- Sat., Apr. 17 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 18 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 18 - Religious Education Class— 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Apr. 20 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Wed., Apr. 21 - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Apr. 24 - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sat., Apr. 24 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 25 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 25 - Last Religious Education Class— 8:30-9:45 a.m.



RAISED FLOWER/GARDEN BEDS

There is room for 6 - 4' x 8' raised beds to the south of the pole barn for anyone interested in planting vegetables, flowers, herbs, etc., please call the Parish office at 824-1380 by Wednesday, April 14th to reserve a bed.

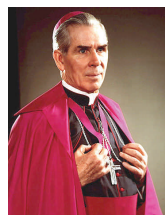
A WORK DAY is being planned for Saturday, April 17 following the 8:00 morning Mass, to build the raised beds.

Please bring any necessary tools to help build your bed.

Lunch will be served.

Please Note:

If no beds are reserved, the work day will be canceled and we will try again next year!



PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY

JOIN FR. DANIEL WHELAN, Fr. Tony Steinacker, and Fr. Solanus Guild-Huntington Extension members to visit and pray at the Tomb of Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen in Peoria, IL. Pray with God's "Hero of Adoration," on Thursday, June 10th, 2021. Cost is \$85. For more details, and registration form, contact Jan Scher at 260-450-3045 or e-mail her at janscher8@gmail.com. Reserve by May 1, 2021 deadline.

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report April 3/4

Adult Envelopes- \$2,182.00
Child Envelopes- \$0
Loose- \$160.13
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$1,597.00
Religious Ed. Fund- \$125.00
Easter Offering- \$1,113.10
Votive Shrines- \$95.66

Total- \$5,272.89

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40
We are \$156.49 ahead of our budget for the month of April.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$0

Thank you for your gifts to St. Joseph's!

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From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Deakota Michael Ingle, nephew of Matthew and Sarah Bluhm, who passed away Tuesday, April 6, 2021



May God welcome Deakota home, fill him with peace and bless those who will miss him.

Eternal Rest Grant unto him O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

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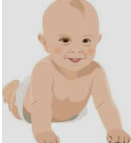


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