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Sunday 8 - 12Noon Monday 10-2PM Tuesday 10-2PM Wednesday 10-2PM Thursday 1:30-5:30PM Friday No Office Hours



SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY ✠ APRIL 19, 2020

Divine Mercy Sunday (Including 3 PM Holy Hour)

Sunday, April 19th is the Second Sunday of Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday. We will have the Divine Mercy Image on the altar during our live streamed Sunday Morning Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. At 3:00 p.m. we will also have a live streamed Divine Mercy Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the prayers for the Indulgence available for that day, time for silent prayer and Benediction.



COLLECTION RESULTS

April 12, 2020

TOTAL TO PARISH: \$ 4,344.00

[Includes: \$2,545.00 First Collection and \$1,247.00 Faith Direct; \$287.00 Second Collection and \$265.00 Faith Direct]

All other Collections will be reported at a later date.

As always, thank you for your generosity and support.

You can help us
during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During this challenging time, we depend on online donations to continue our ministry. Use eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

How eGiving benefits you and our church:

- Convenience: Support our church from home so we can continue our important work during this time.
- Consistency: Supports our ministries even when you are unable to attend Mass.
- Cost-Effective: Reduces our printing and mailing costs, so we can use that saved money to further our ministries in the community. Plus, it's better for the environment!

Please visit faith.direct.net/NY349 to Give!

Monday Evening Coronavirus Holy Hour

At 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 20th we will have a live streamed Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Rosary and prayers for all those suffering from the effects of the coronavirus, time for silent prayer and Benediction.



POPE FRANCIS' CORONAVIRUS PRAYER

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection.

Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

The **Food Pantry** will distribute food from the Rectory basement 2 p.m.-3 p.m.

on
April 18
May 2, 16, & 30.

At this time, pasta, cereal, and tuna are needed.

A Note from Fr. Larry

Celebrating the Triduum Liturgies with only John Murphy (and Fr. Austin on Holy Thursday and Good Friday) in the Church with me was, to say the least, a very unusual experience. I'm glad we were able to livestream them. They were as powerful as always, but I hope and pray that next year and in future years there will again be a congregation of Holy Name of Jesus parishioners and their families and friends physically present in the Church to participate without any concerns like the coronavirus.

It was great to have Fr. Austin with us for part of the Triduum. You should be seeing him more often now for some of our weekday Masses. It was also great to have Fr. Keeney celebrate the 9:00 a.m. Masses Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Fr. Keeney is looking forward to returning as a more full-time resident in HNJ Rectory as the coronavirus situation improves. Msgr. Curran is still sheltering in place at St. Joseph Seminary in Yonkers. He and the other faculty are teaching the seminarians via distance-learning. Msgr. Curran sends everyone his best wishes and looks forward to returning to HNJ for weekend Masses as soon as possible.

The sharp reduction in operating income without regular collections continues to be a major concern. Our total to the Parish for this Easter's "collections" (from envelopes delivered by mail or by hand, or by on-line giving) was only about 50% of last Easter's. If you can afford to please help us by enrolling in online giving now via faithdirect.net (NY349), or by getting your weekly envelopes to the Rectory by mail or personal delivery through the Rectory mail slot, or using your bank's on-line banking e-Pay program to mail checks at regular intervals. As always, many thanks.

This Sunday is the Second Sunday of Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday. See the item elsewhere in the bulletin about our live streamed 3 p.m. Sunday (the hour of Divine Mercy) Holy Hour. Also see the item elsewhere in the bulletin about our live streamed 7 p.m. Monday Coronavirus Holy Hour.

Please see Deacon Gerry Devine's excellent reflection on the upcoming Second Sunday of Lent/Divine Mercy Sunday.



Scripture Insights

Please consider the following commentary on this Sunday's readings
Acts 2: 42-47; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31

"The Resurrection's transforming power is apparent in today's readings. In the Gospel, the frightened disciples are changed as Jesus enters the room in which they are hiding. With the greeting Shalom, Jesus offers them blessings on every dimension of their being. This blessing, translated as 'Peace be to you,' communicates God's mercy. Jesus goes further by extending the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples, saying, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them.' The Spirit's power transforms their lives, enabling them to extend God's mercy and forgiveness to those who seek it.✠ The Risen Lord still bears the marks of his crucifixion. He is always the wounded Christ, as the Book of Revelation relates (5:6). The Apostle Thomas is not present on this occasion and refuses to believe the witness of the other disciples. A week later Thomas is present when the Risen Lord appears again. There, Thomas makes a confession of faith as he says, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus responds by blessing those who have not seen and yet believed.✠ The reading from the Acts of the Apostles offers an insight into the life of that first Christian community transformed by the Risen Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. United in Spirit, they shared their possessions, and no one was in need. They present the ideal Christian community open to God's grace.✠ Peter, in the Second Reading, uses the form of a Jewish blessing to praise God. These words remind people today of the Risen Christ's new life received in Baptism. 'Although you have not seen him you love him' are the most reassuring words addressed to us today.

- What characteristics define that first Christian community?
- The Second Sunday of Easter is also called the 'Sunday of Divine Mercy.' What insights do each of the readings reveal about God's mercy?
- Have you, like Thomas, ever struggled to believe? How were your doubts resolved?"

Mass Intentions

The Intentions for the week of April 19th will be satisfied by Fr. Ryan's or other parish priests' private Masses.

Sunday, April 19, 2020: Sunday of Divine Mercy

Purgatorial Society
Antonino Randazzo
Carmela Basile
Walter and Martha Kash

Monday, April 20, 2020

Jack and Louise Miller

Tuesday, April 21, 2020: St. Anselm

William J. Donovan

Wednesday, April 22, 2020

Tom Larkin

Thursday, April 23, 2020: Sts. George & Adalbert

Paquale Romano

Friday, April 24, 2020: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Tom Larkin

Saturday, April 25, 2020: St. Mark

People of the Parish

For Our Departed Loved Ones...

We ask for your prayers for those of our community who have gone before us into the fullness of life and also for those they have left behind.



FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Please pray for the health and wholeness of all the sick and all who give them care, especially for:
Vincent Camastro, Cheryl Jablow, Jean Thomas, Gerard Kent, Andrew Mazzella, Mary Hannan, Richard Nugent, Nicoleta Cordero, Josephine Barrucco, J.M.J, Shane Booker, Carolyn Lucca, Migdalia Cintron, Thomas Flynn, Ann, Jason, Mary and Patrick Smith, J. Lyle, Dino Sisto, Richie and Frances Day, Debbie & Rebecca Wareham, Ann Quigley, Richard Booher, Ellen Papa, Victoria Smith, Rosie Pira-Ursino, Eileen Houlihan, Patrick Cregg, Marilyn Bloom, Joe Gallagher and for all those afflicted with the Coronavirus.



MEMORIALS

The **Hosts and Wine** have been donated in loving memory of
Henry "Bucky" Skelly
by Patsy Stasiak and the Boys.

DEACON GERRY DEVINE'S REFLECTION

In this Sunday's Gospel, St. John tells us that the apostles remained locked away in a room after Jesus died. They were afraid to venture out, worried about what they might encounter outside; anxious about how they might be impacted. Jesus appeared to them in that room and said: "Peace be with you", bringing them gladness and easing their dread.

Today, many of us are fearful and troubled due to the wide-ranging changes the Coronavirus pandemic has brought upon our world. Some of us have lost income and jobs. Some, sadly, have lost people we hold dear. Almost every aspect of our daily lives has been disrupted and none of us can forecast how long this will last. This crisis, however, offers us a chance to put our complete faith and trust in our Lord and Savior. We should take this opportunity to look up to Him with love and hope and not cast our eyes down in fear. As the apostles learned while they were in that room, Jesus does not abandon us. He will always hold us secure, no matter how uncertain life becomes.

Faustina Kowalska, a member of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, is said to have been personally visited by Jesus during her short life. She wrote in her diary that an image of the risen Lord was revealed to her in a vision, along with the words "Jesus, I trust in you". During her canonization in 2000, Pope John Paul II proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday, promoting the devotional practices associated with St. Faustina's many visions.

This coming weekend, as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday and hear of Jesus bringing peace to his frightened apostles, we should also be mindful of the words of Pope St. John Paul II: "Those who sincerely say 'Jesus, I trust in You' will find comfort in all their anxieties and fears."

How should we prepare for this great Feast of Mercy?



Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a very special day when **“all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened.”** (Diary 699) Our Lord made a great promise to all those souls who would go to Confession and then receive Him in Holy Communion on the Feast of Mercy, on the Sunday after Easter, which is now called Divine Mercy Sunday throughout the Catholic Church.

Jesus promised that **“The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain the complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.”** (Diary 699) He went on to say **“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.”** (Diary 1109)

We want to encourage everyone to take advantage of this incredible promise and the additional Plenary Indulgence on this great Feast of Mercy “Divine Mercy Sunday.” We want you to benefit fully from these promises, and we also want you to notify all your family and friends about them too and urge them to return to the practice of their faith!

The image of The Divine Mercy, which Our Lord requested to be solemnly blessed and venerated on this day, will be on display in our church. Pope John Paul I said that the image portrays the Risen Jesus Christ bringing Mercy to the whole world. Our Lord said **“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. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish.”** (Diary 341, 48) Please take the time to visit with this image of The Divine Mercy and venerate Jesus.

Jesus said to St. Faustina **“I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel in this image with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You.”** (Diary 327) **“The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the cross...Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him.”** (Diary 299)

About the feastday **“Divine Mercy Sunday,”** Jesus said, **“...tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. Pour out a whole ocean of graces upon the souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. 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...Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.”** (Diary 699)

Our Lord said, **“When you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul...”** and **“Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy”** (Diary 1602) **Make your confession before Me. The person of the priest is...only a screen. Never analyze what sort of a priest that I am making use of; open your soul in confession to Me, and I will fill it with My light.”** (Diary 1725)

It is required of all Catholics to confess their serious sins at least once every year. If you haven't yet met this obligation then take advantage of this outstanding opportunity to receive an outpouring of an ocean of graces that Jesus promises on this day. Those who have already confessed their sins should make room for others.

The Church allows for one to go to Confession for up to about 20 days, before or after Divine Mercy Sunday.

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