



Divine Mercy
Sunday, Devotion, Chaplet

From the diary of a young Polish nun a devotion began spreading throughout the world in the 1930s. The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness.

The Divine Mercy devotion calls people to a deeper understanding that God's love is unlimited and available to everyone, especially the greatest sinners. The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of [Saint Faustina Kowalska](#), an uneducated Polish nun.

On the occasion of the canonization of Sr. Faustina on April 30, 2000, the Polish Pope John Paul II gave to the whole Church a feast day dedicated to the Divine Mercy, a feast day which had already been celebrated in Poland and within Vatican City, "Throughout the world the **Second Sunday of Easter** will receive the name **Divine Mercy Sunday**, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come."

The **message of mercy** is that God loves us – all of us – no matter how great our sins. God wants us to recognize that his mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon him with trust, receive his mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share his joy. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC. **A: Ask** for God's mercy. God wants us to approach him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking him to pour his mercy out upon us and upon the whole world. **B: Be** merciful. God wants us to receive his mercy and let it flow through us to others. God wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as he does to us. **C: Completely** trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of his mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

To pray the **Divine Mercy Chaplet**, use your rosary. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, one Our Father, one Hail Mary and the Apostles Creed. Then, on the Our Father beads say, "Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world." On the ten Hail Mary beads say, "For the sake of his sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world." Repeat for all five decades. Conclude with saying three times, "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

There is a **holy hour** at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton this Sunday afternoon starting at 2:00 p.m., with exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction.

Father Rob Waller

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE
WEEK**

Monday, April 20

7:00 p.m. Special Intention for Tony Amicon & Family
(Tom & Karen Hackman)

Tuesday, April 21, St. Anselm

7:30 a.m. Kenneth Ohmer, 4th Anniversary of Death (Chris & Lane, Vucetic & Ohmer Families)

Wednesday, April 22

7:30 a.m. Pat Rohrig (Joseph & Kitty Cleves)

Thursday, April 23, St. George

7:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Friday, April 24, St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

7:30 a.m. Special Intention – Anniversary of Deacon Tim's Ordination (Marcy Schutte)

11:45 a.m. Robert Tanner (Clayton Family)

Saturday, April 25, St. Mark

7:30 a.m. Susan Wenstrup (Frank & Deborah Sullivan)

5:15 p.m. Pat Toomey (Darrell & Kris Baumann)

Sunday, April 26, Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. Cheryl Schneider (Charles & Evelyn Saffin)

9:30 a.m. People of St. Andrew Parish

11:00 a.m. Joan Hauck (Tree Ridge Neighbors)

SEM Villa

10:00 a.m. Louis & Martha Kneipp

SEM Terrace

11:00 a.m. Mahlon Smith (Clements Family)

Vocation View

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. We are blest when we have not seen and believe. What will it take for you to believe in Jesus' call to you? (John 20:19-31)

PRAYER

Prayer for the sick, shut-ins, nursing home residents and hospitalized members of our parish:

Bethesda North: Becky Huxell

University Hospital: Charles Diekmeyer

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all of the deceased members of our parish, may they rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

Serving in the Armed Forces

Let us offer our prayer and our care now, and work to bring all military personnel of all nations back to their families safe and sound and whole. **This week we feature:** Theuring, Matthew, 2nd tanks, A co. HQ PLT, Unit 73425, FPO AE 09509-3425, Iraq. Matthew is the grandson of Lois and Charles Theuring. He really appreciated the letters he received from "perfect strangers" when he was in Iraq last year. If your son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew or any family member is serving in the military, please call the parish office.

Marriage Anniversary Dinner

On Sunday evening, May 3 from 4:00 – 6:00 pm, there will be a complimentary dinner for our newest married, our longest married and the "silver" couples in between. Were you married in 2008, 2007, 2004, 1999, 1984, 1969, 1959 or earlier? Translated, that means that, this year, you are celebrating your marriage anniversary number 1, 2, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50 and beyond. It's free. If your anniversary is in our records, you should have received an invitation in the mail. If you did not get one, please get in touch with the Parish Office. We probably don't have your wedding date. **Remember to RSVP by Friday, April 24** to the Parish Office, 831-3353.

Give thanks
to the Lord
for He is GOOD,
His love is EVERLASTING.

Milford Theatre Group

will present the production of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" on Sunday, April 19 at 2 pm, and again Friday and Saturday, April 24 & 25 at 8 pm in the Parish Center.

Bingo Parent (Team #7) Workers for April 21

Chandler, Christoff, Galvin, Loxterkamp, Mueller, Riley, Smith, Stanford, Sullivan, Thaxton, Vilardo & White

Bingo Caller: TerriMorrison

Ladies Sodality News

April Meeting on Monday April 27 will begin with a Pizza Party at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall, followed by a business meeting. All ladies of the parish are invited.

Annual Flea Market - Plant Sale - Bake Sale

is scheduled for Saturday, May 2. Now is the time to clean out that attic, garage and basement; there must be something you don't need in one of these spots. Save those items for our Flea Market.

Volunteers needed: if you would like to help, even for an hour, on Thursday and Friday, when items are dropped off or on Saturday, the day of the sale, please call Janet Hartmann, 248-1844 to offer your assistance. Be sure to ask Janet about the perks for volunteering.

Plant Sale: Remember that resolution to divide those large clumps of perennials, move over-grown edging plants, and eliminate an unwanted flowerbed. We need those plants for our annual Plant Sale on May 2. Pot those plants and bring them to the Parish Center on Thursday, April 30 or Friday, May 1. We will need pots to put the plants in (no hanging baskets please). You can put the pots near the back door of the Parish Office Building. Call Mary Phillips, 683-2048 or Ruth Mary Sullivan, 831-4387 if you have questions.

The Bake Sale Table will also need your baked items. All your Flea Market items, plants and baked goods can be dropped off at the Parish Center on Thursday, April 30 from 2 - 7 pm and on Friday, May 1 from 12 noon until 8 pm. The profits from your donations helps pay for altar needs, such as: bread, wine, plants, altar cloths, cleaning supplies, etc.

VBS 2009 - God's Big Backyard

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this year's Bible adventure, "God's Big Backyard". This year's program will be June 22-26 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Campus, five days of fun and learning about serving God and our community.

We invite you to be a part of the fun by helping to plan and implement this year's program. There will be a meeting of the VBS committee Wednesday, April 29 at 7 pm in the art room, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Campus. Please join us!

Men's Softball

begins Wednesday May 6 at 6:30 pm and every Wednesday thru August 26 at the SEM Villa fields. All men and high school boys are invited to join us.

Congratulations

to the following students from Mt. Notre Dame High School who attained honors for the 3rd quarter of the 2008-2009 school year

First Honors: Lauren Johnston & Abigail Vollmer

Second Honors: Kayla Grome, Katherine Lindner, Heather Moeller, Lacie Oliver, Rachel Wenstrup, Brennan White, Morgan Wolfe & Sally Yee

The Ladies Sodality wishes to thank all who contributed to our Easter Fund for this Easter Season

From: Brian & Aimee Limberg For: the Limberg, Pecquet, Kubic and Rodocker families, especially those who have died (this intention was not added to list that appeared in last's week bulletin)

PARISH SUPPORT - April 12, 2009

Easter Envelope Collection (427).....\$17,001.00
Easter Loose Collection.....\$1,662.16
Dimes Collection.....\$11.60
Good Friday - Holy Land Collection.....\$1,560.84
"We need an average of \$14,900 per week in our Sunday collection. From July 1st through April 15th, we spent \$53,382 more than we took in."

"LEAVING A LEGACY OF LOAVES" SOCIETY is a group of parishioners who have indicated their desire to leave a legacy to St. Andrew. No gift is too small. Just mention to Fr. Rob that you will be including St. Andrew in your will, and you will be included in this group.

FREE MONEY FOR ST. ANDREW - Use your Kroger Rewards card, buy SCRIPS gift certificates, recycle your junk mail and newspapers, and St. Andrew will receive "free money."



If one of our new parishioners lives in your neighborhood, stop and say

HELLO and WELCOME
them to St. Andrew

Michael & Barbara Berens & Daughter: Lindsey 5325 Oakcrest Court, Milford	239-3101
John & Victoria Kundrat & Daughter: Mary 1723 Laurel Glen Court, Loveland	504-3045
Jenna Lanzer 5970 Price Road, Milford	583-1434
Philip & Paula Blatt & Son: Philip Jacob 924 Surrey Trail, Cincinnati 45245	752-9216
William Holtman 6858 Beechmont Ave., Apt. 1, Cincinnati 45230	546-1812

Is God Calling You to Something New? Explore God's call in your life. Discover the richness of Catholic Tradition. Earn a Certificate or Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry. The Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program is officially sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. We have over 700 LPMP graduates making a difference in the world. Maybe it's time for you to see how lay ministry formation can transform your life! Applications are now being accepted for fall enrollment at the main campus in Cincinnati. Join us for free information meetings outlining all aspects of the LPMP: April 25, 10 am & May 7, 7 pm at The Athenaeum, 6616 Beechmont Ave. For more information visit our website at www.athenaeum.edu. Or call 231-1200 Respond to the invitation. Grow in faith at the Athenaeum

Facing an Unplanned Pregnancy? Catholic Charities is here to help. We provide free, confidential counseling services & support as you consider your options to parent or make an adoption plan for your baby. Our pregnancy counselor has information and resources to help you make the best decision for you and your baby - and both of your futures. call anytime at 241-7745.

Our Lord Christ the King in Mt. Lookout is seeking a full-time (40 hr/wk) Business Manager to oversee the financial resources of the church and school. A full job posting is on the church website: www.ourlordchristtheking.org Please send a letter of introduction and your resume parish@ourlordchristtheking.org

and include "Business Manager Resume" in the subject line. Or you may mail your resume to: Rev. Robert Obermeyer, Our Lord Christ the King Church, 3223 Linwood Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45226. Deadline is April 20, 2009.

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Monday at noon in writing or e-mail: standy@cinci.rr.com