

Divine Mercy Sunday

*I desire that the whole
world know My
Infinite Mercy.*

*I desire to grant
unimaginable graces to
those souls who trust
in My Mercy.*

Jesus to St. Faustina, 687



APRIL 11, 2021
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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Deacon Ric Telthorst
Deacon David Thompson
Deacon Tom Whalen



Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am,
11:00 am, 2:00 pm (en Español)

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday
8:00 am, 12:03 pm

Priest on the Porch (Reconciliation)

Tuesday-Friday: 10:30 am-11:45 am
Saturday: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Between Sunday Masses celebrated
at 7:00 am., 9:00 am & 11:00 am

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Office currently closed to the Public due to COVID, however the office is staffed Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you need to talk to a staff member please call the office phone or email that person directly.

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Am I My Brother's Keeper? Yes, We Are!

Following the release of Bishop McKnight's August 21 Decree, the following REVISED protocols are now in effect for all Masses — Weddings and Funerals included — at St. Peter Parish until further notice.

Please know that we are carefully monitoring all directives and guidelines issued by state and local governments, as well as by the Diocese of Jefferson City, and will re-evaluate and adjust these protocols as warranted.

HEALTH — All the faithful are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice provided the Lord's Day is kept holy by participating in the live-streamed Sunday Mass; praying with the readings of the Sunday Mass; and/or reciting the rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet. Those with underlying health issues are encouraged to avoid the risk of large public gatherings such as Sunday Mass. Please check your temperature and general well-being before coming to church. Those who are symptomatic for COVID-19 are not permitted to enter church. Pews and hard surfaces are sanitized after each Sunday Mass.

SEASONAL GATHERINGS — In-person seasonal gatherings outside of Mass, such as penance services or vespers are discouraged.

MASKS — Everyone must wear a mask upon entering the church, throughout the Mass, and while moving in the Communion Procession to receive Holy Communion. If approaching to receive Holy Communion, please remove your mask just prior to receiving Our Lord, and moving it to cover your mouth and nose while returning to your pew. Please bring a personal mask with you. Ushers will have a limited supply for those who forget to bring a mask.

DISTANCE — Everyone must maintain a distance of six feet from family groups and/or other individuals. Please follow the directions of our ushers and any signs or markings on pews and aisles.

HYMNALS & MISSALETTES — All hymnals, missalettes and other paper materials are stored until after the pandemic protocols are lifted. We encourage you to bring your smartphone to reference prayers, songs and other devotions that are available through various mobile apps. Printed missalettes and weekly bulletins are available on the rectory porch for your personal use. If you pick up a missalette, please take it home with you. The song texts for Sunday Mass can be found on our parish Facebook page and parish website.

HOLY COMMUNION — Please follow the directions of the ushers and any floor marking to maintain the six-foot distance between the faithful in the line. Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand or on the tongue. For those wishing to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, a kneeler is also provided for your use. The Ministers of Holy Communion will sanitize their fingers after distributing Holy Communion on the tongue of each individual.

TITHING — Thank you for your continuing generosity in this challenging time. Please continue to make use of automatic bank drafts, mailed contributions, or placing envelopes in the slot on the rectory porch. There will also be a stationary basket placed in the center aisle during Sunday Masses so that you may leave your contribution there.

ANointing OF THE SICK — If at all possible please seek the anointing of the sick from the parish priest before going to the hospital. We cannot guarantee that a priest will either be available or allowed into the hospital because of pandemic protocols.

Fr. Secrist, Pastor, St. Peter Parish (Revised 11/11/2020)

A NOTE REGARDING THE 8:00 AM WEEKDAY MASS ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

Please note that the 8:00 am Weekday Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday is when the children from St. Peter Interparish School attend Mass. Due to COVID restrictions the children are required to sit in certain pews and next to designated individuals. This is to mitigate the spread of COVID among the students.

If you are an adult attending the 8:00 am Weekday Mass please sit in the back of the church to ensure the students are able to follow the necessary protocols for them to attend Mass and remain safe.

What is Divine Mercy Sunday?

The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

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 Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

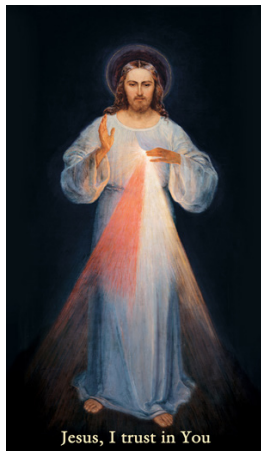
The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her Diary entry 699:

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 are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. 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 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.

During this time of pandemic and uncertainty many people ask how do I receive the graces promised on Mercy Sunday when I can't get to church because of a serious reason (I'm homebound, seriously ill, or disabled)?

Our Lord said to St. Faustina: *The graces of My mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive. Souls that trust boundlessly are a great comfort to Me, because I pour all the treasures of My graces into them. I rejoice that they ask for much, because it is My desire to give much, very much* (Diary, 1578).

With this in mind, you can participate in the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday by making a Spiritual Communion, with great



SATURDAY, APRIL 10

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

†Corey Bax

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

7:00 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

2:00 pm

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Pro Propulo

†Margaret Loethen

Bob Lueckenotto family

Priests of the Diocese

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

8:00 am

12:03 pm

Priests of the Diocese

†Aaron Allen

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

8:00 am

12:03 pm

†Mary Pat Prenger

†Janice Hillen Bexten

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

8:00 am

12:03 pm

†Denise (Andrews) Ridings & family

†Rosemary Scheppers

FRIDAY, APRIL 16

8:00 am

12:03 pm

†Catherine Reed

Barry & Clara Rowan family

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

Pro Propulo

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

7:00 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

2:00 pm

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

†Doctors, nurses, & healthcare workers

†Victor Lueckenhoff

†Becky (Ousley) Hyman,

Emily & Ernie Frank

Protection from Illness

MASS INTENTIONS

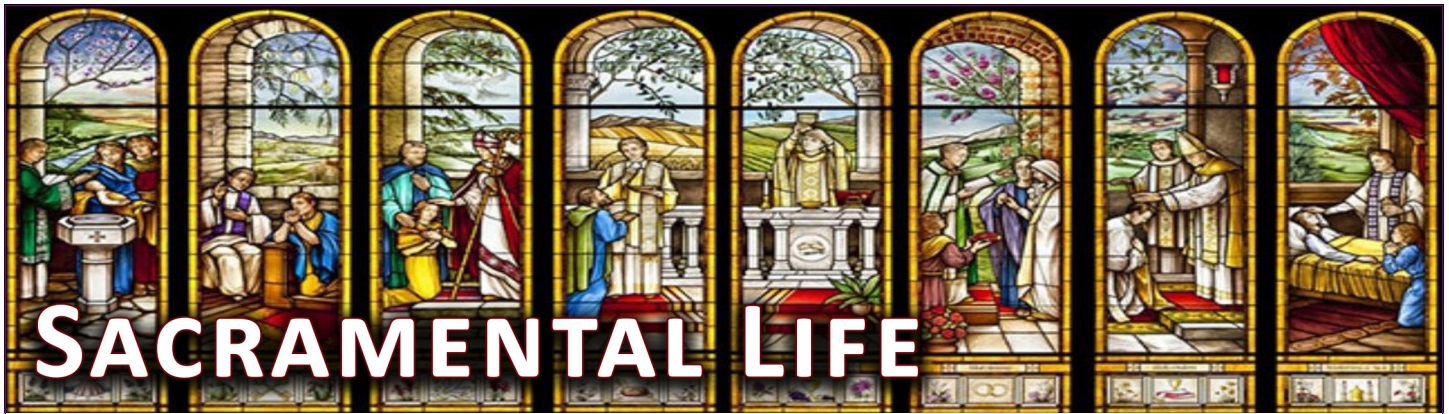
There is inestimable value in the offering of Holy Mass. Our Catholic faith has a long and wonderful tradition of having Masses offered for our loved ones living and deceased. If you wish to have a Mass or Masses offered for a loved one, contact our Parish Office at (573) 636-8159.

trust. God will give you all the graces that He sees that you need because of your great trust.

You should also know that the Holy Father has made special, compassionate provisions for the obtaining of indulgences on Divine Mercy Sunday by those who cannot go to Mass on that day, especially for those who are seriously ill.

St. Peter Parish will celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy by reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by the Luminous mysteries of the Rosary at 3:00 pm in the Chapel on Sunday, April 11.

More information can be found about Feast of Divine Mercy at www.thedivinemercy.org. The website is run by The Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception who also operate the National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA.



SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Holy Matrimony

The first step in planning a wedding at St. Peter is to contact the Pastor. You may call to check available dates beforehand, but the wedding can only be scheduled after approval by the priest and at least a minimum of six months prior to the proposed wedding date. Any Catholic being married needs to have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Baptism

Parental preparation is required for a child to be baptized. Please plan to attend the required class prior to your child's birth. Sessions are usually held once a quarter. Please call the Parish Office to sign up. Next classes will be in February 2021.

Anointing of the Sick

If you are preparing for surgery, please let your priest know before you go to the hospital. Because of COVID-19, the possibility of receiving the Anointing of the Sick after you've been admitted to hospital is not guaranteed.

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Inquiry sessions are held every Tuesday for those interested in joining the Catholic Church and receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. Sessions are held every Tuesday beginning at 6:30 pm in the Selinger Center. Please call Deacon Ric Telthorst at (573) 690-0730 or deacontelthorst@gmail.com for more information.

STEWARDSHIP

April 4, 2021	\$	51,318.27
April 11, 2021	\$	
April 18, 2021	\$	
April 25, 2021	\$	
Budget for April	\$	170,833.34
Total Collected for April	\$	51,318.27
Difference	\$	-119,515.07
Budget Goal Fiscal Year To Date	\$	1,576,923.20
Total Collected Fiscal Year To Date	\$	1,622,311.92
Difference	\$	45,388.72
Facility/Property Maintenance: April	\$	2,889.60
Facility/Property Maintenance To Date	\$	69,693.36
Easter - Infirm Priest Fund (assessed)	\$	3,508.60

*The amount our parish is assessed for this fund is
\$20,554.00 for 2020-21.*

Samaritan Center	\$	April 18
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	\$	April 25

Thank you for your continued tithing and support of St. Peter Parish & Interparish School!

MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021
MISSOURI CAPITOL SOUTH LAWN,
JEFFERSON CITY, MO

10:00 A.M. March begins from Capitol South Lawn
11:00 A.M. Rally (on the South Lawn)

Fundraiser Lunch: Grilled Hot Dogs, Chips, Ice Cream, Water
(K of C Precious Blood Council, St Peter, Fulton)

Following the Rally several life affirming opportunities:

Meet with legislators in the Capitol
Apologetics For Adults 12:15 PM South Lawn
Students for Life-Youth Apologetics 1:00 PM
2:00 P.M. "VIALE" a one-act play: One woman's journey of finding hope after abortion

PURIFIED

Cathedral of St. Joseph
April 21: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT
FOR FAMILIES (AGES 13+)

Tickets: \$25.00 at
cathedral.diojeffcity.org

PRAYERS & VOCATIONS

Prayer for a Communion of Desire

My Jesus, I believe You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, renew my heart now with the power of Your Spirit. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Unite me more closely to Your Body, the Church. And never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Oración para la Comunión de Deseo
Jesús mío, creo que estás presente en el Santísimo Sacramento. Te amo por sobre todas las cosas y deseo recibirte en mi alma. Como no puedo recibirte en



este momento sacramentalmente, renueva mi corazón con el poder de tu Espíritu. Te reclglesia y nunca permitas que me separe de ti. ibo y me uno completamente a ti. Úneme más a tu cuerpo, la Amén.

Bishop McKnight's April Prayer Intention

Let us pray for a renewed understanding of our baptismal dignity as sons and daughters of God the Father, and a commitment to living in peace with our sisters and brothers in Christ.

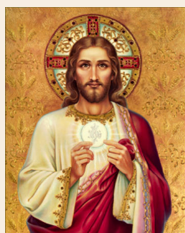
Oremos por una renovación de nuestro entendimiento de nuestra dignidad bautismal como hijos e hija de Dios Padre y por nuestro compromiso de vivir en paz con nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Cristo.



Sacrament of Confirmation

dates for this year will
Tuesday, April 13 at
6:30 pm, Wednesday,
April 21 at 6:30 and
Thursday, April 29 at

6:30 pm. Please keep our Confirmation Candidates in your prayers! Each service will be live streamed on our Facebook page and made available later in the evening on YouTube.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

MASS will be held
at 4:00 pm on
Sunday, April 11,
2021. Attendance

will be limited to 3 guests per first communicant due to social distancing guidelines. All in attendance must wear masks for the entire Mass, with the exception of receiving Holy Communion. Attendance at this group Mass will be limited to 48 families (4 people each). Mass will be live streamed on on Facebook page and made available later in the evening on YouTube.

PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY FOR PROTECTION FROM THE CORONAVIRUS

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, we entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross, you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

Patroness of the Diocese of Jefferson City, you know what we need.

We are certain of the power of your intercession, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

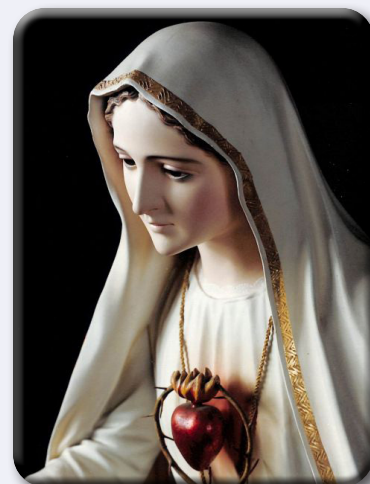
Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who taught us to "love one another, as I have loved you" took our sufferings upon Himself and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Bring under your mantle of protection all who provide care for the sick and minister to their needs, as your Son implores us to do for one another.

V. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

R. Do not despise our pleas and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

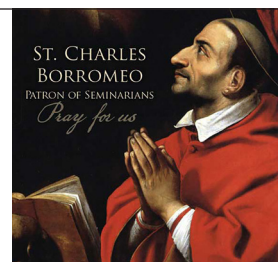


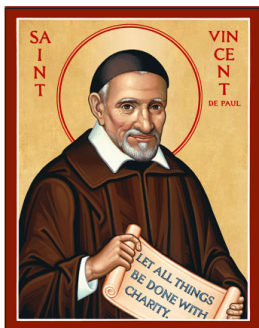
VOCATIONS SPOTLIGHT

Please pray for the men who are studying and discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. This week, please pray for:

Mr. Jacob Hartman
Home Parish: St. Andrew (Holts Summit)
Birthdate: May 25

Please send any seminarian correspondence to the Office of Vocations at: 2207 West Main Street, Jefferson City, MO 65109





The St. Peter Conference of The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul has strived to provide support for the poor and needy in ways that are underserved by other organizations. Our goal is to be as generous as possible within our means without duplicating assistance already being provided by other organizations. So far that includes:

- Rides to Mass, doctor appointments, and similar important destinations to those who either cannot afford transportation or who need to be accompanied.

- Help prevent utilities from being disconnected. Having electric, gas, or water service disconnected has a domino effect; without electricity or water the home becomes uninhabitable. Families may become separated as children may be removed from the home. Not having utilities usually breaks the rental lease and the family may become homeless. By stepping in to prevent disconnection we help prevent further crises for the family being served.

- Provide basic twin size mattresses with priority given to children. Many of the people we help have had to move recently and, with no truck available, leave many possessions behind. Mattresses are particularly difficult to move without a truck and so many end up sleeping directly on the floor.

- Other types of assistance may be given, but these are the most common.

For assistance contact our all volunteer line at (573) 632.2634.



KRISTIN BELL - PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Students are working hard in PE on their fitness tests and preparing for Little Olympics in May. We are working on endurance, upper body strength, abdominal strength, flexibility, and sprinting. Students in grade 1-3 and 6-8 are trying to achieve a goal of getting gold or silver for the Presidential Physical Fitness award. Students in grades 4 and 5 are working on events for Little Olympics that include running, jumping and throwing a softball. We are very excited to see the students excel and achieve their goals in all of these events!

ST. PETER AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM IS LOOKING FOR AN ADULT DESK CLERK;

Monday-Friday 2:00 to 5:30 p.m. each day school is in session for 2021-2022 school year. The job entails keeping track of attendance, helping director supervise the staff and children grades K thru 8th and helping provide a safe, Christian environment. Great job for a stay at home mom, retiree, or college student. If interested please contact Betsy Bartow @ 573-636-8922 ext 322 or email bbartow@stpeterjc.org



SCHOLARSHIP

The estate of **Ethel Bruning and Family** has established a scholarship to be used toward Helias Catholic High School tuition for students of St. Peter Parish. Students entering any grade at Helias are able to apply and receive a scholarship if approved. The scholarship amounts range from full tuition to half of tuition.

Application forms are in the St. Peter Parish Office and can be picked up while the office is staffed, Monday – Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Call 636-8159 when you are outside the office during these hours, and an application will be brought out to you. You can also get an application emailed by calling the Parish Office or emailing parish@saintpeterjc.org.

SLATE FROM CHURCH STEEPLE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Due to the damage from the hail storm this past March the roof on several buildings had to be replaced. We were able to salvage the original slate from the church steeple that has been in place since 1883. The full slate tiles come in a grey or red color and measure approximately 16"h x 8"w. The red is very limited in quantity. Each slate comes with the St. Peter Catholic Church emblem and rope for hanging. The suggested donation price for the grey slate is \$100.00 and \$150.00 for the red slate. Each tile will come with a certificate of authenticity on the back. Also still available are custom made Christmas ornaments which come in a variety of sizes, approximately 2" to 4". The suggested donation for each ornament is \$20.00. Crosses made from the nails that were used on the roof are available in limited quantity for a suggested donation of \$20.00. Order forms are available online on our website at www.saintpeterjc.org.



ALICE KUEHN'S NURSE NOTES

APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS

When watching it rain, we sometimes too quickly long for a return of the sunshine, without taking time to appreciate and thank God for the gift of **WATER**. We need to take time to pause and be grateful for water, realizing how essential it is to us, not just for May flowers, but for our health and very existence. In addition to prayers of thanksgiving for this precious gift, be a good steward and be wise with your use of water. It is quickly becoming a scarcity in many areas of our country, especially in California and other southwestern states as well as around the world. Water use has been growing at more than twice the rate of population

increase in the last century, and, although there is no global water scarcity as such, an increasing number of regions are chronically short of water. **"By 2025, 1 800 million people will be living in countries or regions with absolute water scarcity, and two-thirds of the world population could be under stress conditions.** The situation will be exacerbated as rapidly growing urban areas place heavy pressure on neighboring water resources". To learn more about water scarcity, visit the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations at <http://www.fao.org/home/en/>. To learn more about the health of our drinking water, recreational water and swimming water visit <http://www.cdc.gov/healthywater>

DEFINITION OF AN ACTIVE PARISHIONER

- Is registered in the parish
- Regularly participates in Mass and the Sacraments
- Is actively tithing to the parish
- Is involved in parish activities and ministries as noted on the annual Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure form

LOCATION OF PARISHIONERS WHO ARE HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND:

Please call or email to let us know if you or a family member is hospitalized or homebound and/or if you would like the parish nurse to call, pray with you and/or assist you with questions and health care concerns. Remember that if you or a family member moves from hospital to home or rehab center or nursing care facility, the hospital cannot tell us your location due to HIPPA regulations. Please let us know their new location. Thanks! You may contact me at 636-8159x369 or via email akuehn@saintpeterjc.org.

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