



**PARISH
INFORMATION**

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: Msgr. Ryan Hall - 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Also by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Church provides certain times and preparation for weddings. Please contact the Rectory at least six months in advance to begin the process.

REGISTRATION

Every family and person within the parish is encouraged to register with the Parish.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. A required Baptism preparation meeting for parents meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:00 p.m. Godparents are welcome. Please register in advance for the class and Baptism. Godparent Pre-Requisites: Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing, 16 years of age or older, Baptized and Confirmed Catholic.

ON BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Fr. Valentine at the Rectory at (516) 621-2222.


CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory and Human Concerns Ministries if there is anyone seriously ill so that we can provide spiritual care.



**PLEASE PRAY
FOR THE SICK**

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| Kathleen Capuano | Christine Kenney |
| Rebekah Cole | Frank Krukowski |
| Victoria Colozzi | John LaPreziosa |
| Kevin Cronin | Janet Levchuck |
| Paul Cronin | Richard Malon |
| Joseph V. Danbusky | Marilyn Manning |
| John Damiano | Stuey Manzione |
| Jessica Dawson | Joseph Nakelski, Sr. |
| Linda De Stio | Justin Paradine |
| John Paul DiNonno | Diana Pearce |
| Kieran Doran | Karen Petrik |
| James Dougherty | Marion Prendergast |
| Eric DuBois | Gregory Racaniello |
| Members of Ferreira
Family | Jaxon Rivera |
| Noel Glen | Ronald Webb |
| Stephen Grabher | Anne Wright |
| Roberta Greco | Mary Wybaillie |



**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday, April 7: *Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)***

- 7:30 a.m. Michael A. Friend
by Gen & Jonna
- 9:00 a.m. Ted Burger
by Marie & Otto Niebler
- 11:00 a.m. Dr. Mary Parisi
by Joni Stigliano
- Filippo Tiberio
by Cathy Califano
- 12:30 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, April 8: *The Annunciation of the Lord*

- 9:00 a.m. William Michaels
by Nancy & Ed Eder

Tuesday, April 9: *Easter weekday*

- 9:00 a.m. Tom Mozer
by Maria & Jim Mozer and Family

Wednesday, April 10 : *Easter Weekday*

- 9:00 a.m. Anthony Arena
by His Sister

Thursday, April 11: *St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr*

- 9:00 a.m. Peter Vanatta
by Hid Wife and Children

Friday, April 12: *Easter Weekday*

- 9:00 a.m. Meg Eilers
by Her Family

Saturday, April 13: *Easter Weekday*

- 5:00 p.m. Jeffrey Kalenka
by The Beihl Family

Sunday, April 14: *3rd Sunday of Easter*

- 7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 9:00 a.m. George Anastos
by Cathy Vanatta
- 11:00 a.m. Jame J. Byrne
by The O'Neil Family
- Owen Smith - 1st Anniversary
by Bernadette Smith
- Filippo Tiberio
by Maria G. Ferri
- 12:30 p.m. Anthony Arena
by His Sisiter



*Please keep our recent departed and their
families in your prayers*
Emilia Foschi

The Pastor's Page

Dear Friends:

We are all familiar with the great St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582), and the influence she and her fellow Carmelites—St. John of the Cross and St. Therese of Lisieux—have on Catholic spiritual life. Where to begin? She was the great reformer of the female branch of the order, founding the “discalced” (shoeless) tradition that emphasizes austere simplicity in the life of prayer. Among the towering works that supported her reputation as a “Doctor of the Church” is *The Interior Castle*, which imagines the soul as a palace wherein one meets Christ. By means of the purgative (cleansing), illuminative (enlightening), and unitive (perfecting) ways, the soul prepares for ultimate union with the Lord: “mystical marriage.” Yet despite her contributions to the Church, St. Teresa was utterly down-to-earth, and no task was too mundane for her. Some of her visions are known to have taken place in the kitchen as she prepared a meal. Her advice to younger sisters was, essentially: “God walks among the pots and pans.”

This week, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Annunciation of Our Blessed Mother. Technically, the day should be March 25, but this year is moved to April 8 because the exact date fell in Holy Week. It seems odd to celebrate this event at the very height of the Easter season. Why are we going “back” to square one, the beginning of the Christ event? Besides the fact that it makes chronological sense—March 25 is exactly nine months before Christmas—Catholics realize that multiple aspects of the mystery of the Incarnation can reverberate in the hearts of the faithful at the same time.

Today's image is the “Annunciation” by Bartolome Esteban Murillo, c. 1655-60. According to the Prado Museum in Spain, he was part of the Baroque movement in art, and specialized in religious subjects; he was known for his expressive use of light and vivid colors. The religious symbolism of this painting includes the sewing basket (Mary's industrious nature), lilies (purity), and a book (heavenly wisdom). For me, the most striking aspect of the painting is the interplay between ordinary human activity and its supernatural dimension. The artist, like the angel Gabriel, turns our attention (the “eye of the soul”) to workings of divine grace.

Paintings like the “Annunciation” are distinctively Catholic in two respects. The more obvious is the centrality of the Blessed Mother to our religious outlook and piety. Nobody is claiming that, as the distortion goes, “Mary is a goddess.” On the contrary, she is a living example of what the power of God can achieve in the humblest of his creatures. The less obvious characteristic lies in what we might call the “porous” nature of Catholicism; we are reluctant to draw a clear line between nature and grace. For indeed: the idea of a “wall” separating the two realms is false. Creation itself springs from the hand of God, and is already engraced, and failure to acknowledge this truth is the sin of irreverence. The misuse of creation, furthermore, mars the goodness instilled in it by God. That is why St. Thomas teaches us that grace perfects nature; it does not oppose or contradict nature. As we commemorate the Annunciation, let us rediscover God's handiwork in the everyday world, and see within it divine possibilities.



Faithfully,

Fr. Valentine

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READINGS FOR SUNDAY

April 7, 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy

First Reading: Acts 4-35
 Second Reading: 1 Jn 5:1-6
 Gospel: Jn 20:19-31

FOCUS: We are called to be merciful as God is merciful.

In today's Gospel, Jesus confers his divine power to forgive sins on the Apostles through the Holy Spirit. This forgiveness is still available to us in the sacraments. The gift of God's mercy calls us to also perform acts of mercy to ensure that, as in the earliest communities of believers, no one among us is in need.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: The first reading describes how the early community of believers held everything in common. In the second reading, John writes that to love God is to keep his commandments, and that faith in Jesus conquers the world. In the Gospel, Jesus appears to the disciples in a locked room and breathes on them, giving them the power to forgive sins.

Readings for next week, Sunday April 14, 2024

- 1) Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
- 2) 1 Jn 2:1-5a
- 3) Lk 24:35-48

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✠ Celebrants for the Weekend of ✠
April 13/14, 2024

	Celebrants*	Lector
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Fr. Valentine	Lorraine Czarniak - L Phyllisann Kalenka - EM
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Fr. Valentine	Phil Kirk - L
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Lauder	Cathy Vanatta - L Cathy Quinn - EM
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Valentine	5-8 Gr. Level Liturgy Virginia Eyerma - Assist Dennis Tansiongco - EM
12:30 p.m.	Fr. Valentine	Davis Cabrera - L MaryLou Rodrigues - EM

* Subject to last minute changes.

**FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP
 AS A WAY OF LIFE**

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

This weekend is Divine Mercy Sunday, learn about the extraordinary graces that are available to you on this day. Also, take time to read about St. Faustina and Jesus' Divine Mercy.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

Sunday Offering ~ March 24 \$6,760.00*
 Same Week Last Year \$9,458.00*

Mass Attendance for ~ March 24 794
 Same Week Last Year 818

Easter Offering to date \$23,544.00*
 Easter Offering Last Year \$26,608.00**

Easter Mass Attendance 1,111
 Easter Mass Attendance Last Year 860

**Does not include Faith Direct*

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A Eucharistic minister is needed for the home bound. If you are interested in this spiritually rewarding ministry, please contact Elsie at the Human Concerns office at (516) 626-109761.

CHURCH HANDICAPPED RAMP

There is a ramp for handicapped access at the Church. It can be found off the parking lot, and goes around to the back of the building. We encourage you to use it if you have difficulty with the front steps.



Just a reminder all St. Mary's Masses are on Youtube link

<https://tinyurl.com/St-Marys-Roslyn>



MASS RELOCATION ANNOUNCEMENT



Dear Friends:

I regret to inform you that, contrary to our guidance this past Sunday, we will be unable to accommodate parishioners in the upper Church on Bryant Avenue for the next several Sundays.

**Daily 9 AM Mass will continue to be celebrated in the lower Church
but**

**ALL weekend Masses (English and Spanish) will be celebrated at
Msgr. Ryan Hall at 440 Round Hill Road in East Hill.**

Although I made this decision based on safety issues, I sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this will cause.

Fr. Valentine

Attention 300 Club Members

Please join us

Sunday April 14th at 3:30 pm

Lower level of the Church

For the final drawing of
\$1000 for 2023/2024 year
and

1st Drawing for 2024/2025 year

Light refreshments
will be served

*You will also have the
opportunity to join the 300 Club*



Human Concerns

**The Human Concerns Food Pantry is in need
of the following items:**

Paper Goods	Coffee	Crackers
Peanut Butter	Tea	Rice
Jelly	Pasta Sauce	Snacks
Spaghetti	Tuna Fish	Juice
Cereal	Cookies	Soup

Please bring your donations to Msgr. Ryan Hall at
440 Round Hill Road, Roslyn Heights
between 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
or contact Elis Calderone at the number below.

*Those in need of food or other supplies may call
Elsie Calderone at (516) 626-1097
or send her an e-mail at
outreachstmary7@gmail.com*

Divine Mercy Sunday: What's This Feast All About, Anyway?

By Robert Stackpole, STD



To put on a great banquet for one's friends, the first step is to send out proper invitations. The invitations must say WHY the banquet is being held, WHEN it will take place, WHO is invited, and WHAT TO EXPECT (such as cocktails on the lawn, followed by a buffet meal).

In fact, the *Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska* is filled with invitations from our Lord Jesus Christ to celebrate with Him the great Feast of the Divine Mercy. In numerous passages, Jesus spelled out for her "why," "when," "who," and "what to expect" at this special banquet.

First, why did Jesus ask the Church, through St. Faustina, to institute the Feast of Mercy? As recorded in *Diary* entry 965, Jesus said to Faustina:

Souls perish in spite of My bitter Passion. I am giving them ... the Feast of My mercy. If they will not adore My mercy, they will perish for all eternity. Secretary of My mercy, write, tell souls about this great mercy of Mine, because the awful day, the day of My justice is near.

In short, the main reason that Jesus wanted this feast to be established is that He wanted to "throw a lifeline," so to speak, to souls who are perishing, souls who are drowning in sin and despair. That lifeline is this Feast, with all the tremendous promises of graces and benefits which Jesus attached to it. As He said to St. Faustina, He wanted to make this Feast day a special "refuge and shelter" for the "consolation" of souls. In *Diary* entry 1517, Jesus said: "the Feast of My Mercy has issued forth from My very depths for the consolation of the whole world." In short, Jesus gave us this Feast as both a comfort and a lifeline for souls.

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO SERVE



Lord, hold these men and women in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us and bless them for their self-forgetting acts. We pray for peace in our world and an end to war. Amen.

1LT Doug Alessi
 2LT Hally Bello
 CAPT Peter Clarke
 CAPT Brendan Echausse
 COL Daniel Friend
 SGT Joseph M. Friend
 CDR Christian R. Foschi
 CAPT Daniel Grabher
 PFC Steven Hyyti
 CAPT David Jacobs
 SK1 John D. Klick
 PFC Michael P. Lanciki

MAJOR Eric W. Lipp
 LCpl Caitlin Lyons
 LT Dennis Mackin
 Cpl Tommy Mozer
 SGT Julio Ortiz II
 LCpl Jonathan Peres
 GSGT Jonathan Porto
 LT James Raphael
 PVT Michael Starczewski
 SGT Luke Whitting
 RCT Jordan J. Williams



Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,
 defend us in battle.

Be our protector against the
 wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him,
 we humbly pray;

And do Thou,

O Prince of the Heavenly Host,

by the power of God,

cast into hell Satan,

and all the evil spirits

who prowl about the world
 seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen

Religious Education at St Mary's 4/7/2024

Renew now for 2024-2025 School Year!

Registration & Re-registration for Sept is opening soon.

NEW Families, please see the website for the necessary documents.

Returning families, your children will receive them in class, please check their folders!

Save the Date:
Classes start September 17th



JESUS I TRUST IN YOU!

IT'S DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY!

"The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment!"

— Our Lord to St. Faustina (Diary 699)

Please pray for our First Communion & Confirmation students who are in their final weeks of preparation for these beautiful sacraments!



KID'S CORNER

Divine Mercy Sunday

Today the Church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. On this day we thank God for His forgiveness and love. It is the mercy of God that lets all of us come back to Him after we have sinned.

We know how much Jesus loves us because He suffered and died for us. When we have sinned, He wants us to be sorry and come back to Him. No matter how big of a sin you do, if you are sorry for it then God will forgive you. He wants to forgive you because He loves you!

Today we should thank God for His mercy and forgiveness and ask Him to look on us and our friends and the whole world with love and forgiveness! Here is a prayer we can 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.*



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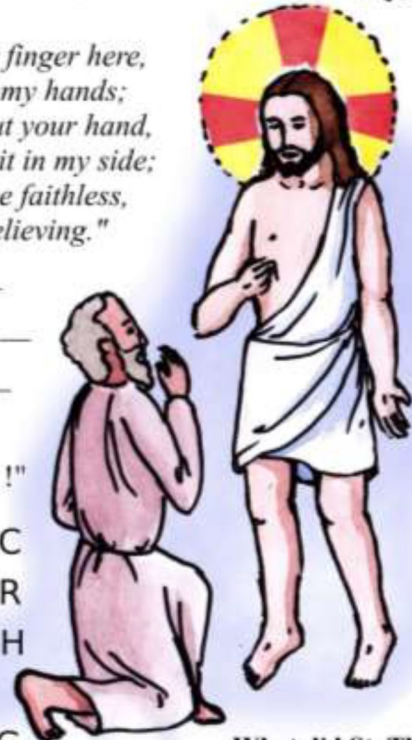
Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday April 7th, 2024

*"Put your finger here,
and see my hands;
and put out your hand,
and place it in my side;
do not be faithless,
but believing."*

" M _ _ _

_____!"

A M B Y C
L D O E R
F D G A H
N I D J
M K Y L G
M O N D O



What did St. Thomas reply to Jesus? Use every second letter to fill in the blanks!

Second Sunday of Easter
April 7, 2024

Divine Mercy Sunday
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Entrance Alleluia, Alleluia, Let the Holy Anthem Rise



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Let the ho - ly an - them rise, And the
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Like the sun from out the wave, He has
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Bless - ed Je - sus, make us rise From the



1. choirs of heav - en chant it In the tem - ple of the skies; Let the
2. ris - en up in tri - umph From the dark - ness of the grave. He's the
3. life of this cor - rup - tion To the life that nev - er dies. May your



1. moun - tains skip with glad - ness, And the joy - ful val - leys ring With ho -
2. splen - dor of the na - tions, He's the lamp of end - less day; He's the
3. glo - ry be our por - tion, When the days of time are past, And the



1. san - nas in the high - est To our Sav - ior and our King!
2. ver - y Lord of glo - ry Who is ris - en up to - day!
3. dead shall be a - wak - ened By the trum - pet's might - y blast!

Text: 87 87 D; Anon.; probably American, ca 1887, alt. Music: *St Basil's Hymnal*, 1889.

Gloria

Heritage Mass

Missa Pacem at the 11

Responsorial Psalm



Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, His love is ev - er - last-ing.


Acclamation Gospel

Celtic Alleluia


Offertory Show Me Your Hands, Your Feet, Your Side



1. Show me your hands, your feet, your side; I
 2. "Fear not! Let peace be in your soul. Reach
 3. Not e - ven East - er takes a - way The
 4. So blessed are those who have not seen Yet



will not be de - ceived. Un - less I see, how
 out and touch and know I died and yet I
 marks that Je - sus bears. The Ris - en Christ still
 cry, "My Lord and God!" Who touch earth's pain in



can I trust The news that I've re - ceived?
 am a - live With wounds that ev - er show."
 wears the wounds Of scourge and nail and spear.
 Je - sus' name And tell good news a - broad.

Holy, Holy, Holy
 Acclamation
 Great Amen
 Lamb of God

Save Us Savior of the World

Heritage Mass
 Heritage Mass
 Heritage Mass

Communion In the Breaking of the Bread

Easter Season

Delores Dufner, OSB

BREAKING BREAD
 Michel Guimont

Refrain

In the break - ing of the bread we have
 come to know the Lord, and in drink - ing from the
 cup we have shared the life of God.

Verses

1. As we walk the dust - y road shar - ing
 2. As we gath - er on this day, as we
 3. Like dis - ci - ples long a - go on a
 4. At the ban - quet Je - sus blessed we re -
 5. Let us, as we walk the road, meet the

all our doubts and fears, some - one joins us
 hear the sto - ries told, in the sto - ry
 path by faith be - gun, in the joy of
 mem - ber and give praise for the gra - cious
 stran - ger as a friend; let us, with the

D.C.

on the way, gives us hope in place of tears.
 of the cross our life's mean - ing will un - fold.
 Eas - ter light we will meet the Ris - en One.
 love of God o - ver - flow - ing all our days.
 Ris - en Christ, trav - el till our jour - ney's end.

Recessional

At The Lamb's High Feast

SALZBURG



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our vic -
 2. Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dark an - gel
 3. Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, Sin a - lone can



1. to - rious King, He has washed us in the tide
 2. sheathes his sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
 3. this de - stroy; From sin's pow'r do thou set free



1. Flow - ing from his o - pen side; Praise we him, whose
 2. Through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose
 3. Souls new-born, O Lord, in thee. Hymns of glo - ry,



1. love di - vine Gives his sa - cred Blood for wine, Gives his
 2. blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread; With sin -
 3. songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise: Ris - en



1. Bod - y for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
 2. cer - i - ty and love Eat we man - na from a - bove.
 3. Lord, all praise to thee With the Spir - it ev - er be.

Text: 77 77 D; *Ad regias Agni dapes*; Latin, 4th cent.; tr. by Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt.
 Music: Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702; adapt. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750.

