

Sunday, April 24, 2022

St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites

Happy Feast of the Divine Mercy!



“The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He 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.”

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday:
9:30am—4:30pm and 6:00-8:30pm
Friday: 9:30am—4:30pm
Saturday:
9:30am -12:00pm and 3:15-6:15pm
Sunday: 9:30am—1:30pm

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After the Holy Mass, please wait for the priest to reach the back of the church before leaving. Thank you!

MASS TIMES

Mondays to Saturdays: 9:00am
Additional Mass on Wednesdays: 7:00pm
Additional Mass on 1st Fridays: 7:00pm
Sundays:
8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, and 4:00pm
Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm on Saturday

RECONCILIATION

After the 9am Masses Mon. to Saturday or by appointment.

BAPTISM

Parents are required to attend the Baptism Preparation Class. They are also encouraged to attend the class prior to the birth of the baby. Godparents are expected to attend the class. A registration package is available at the Parish Office or at our website for download. Email the completed forms to the parish office.

MARRIAGE

It is required that one of those to be married resides within the Parish boundary. Couples planning to be married must contact the Parish office at least one year in advance of their proposed date. They are required to complete a Marriage Preparation Course.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the office.

PLEASE OBSERVE SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY:

1. Wear mask
2. Sanitize your hands when you come inside the church

Two Steps for E-Transfer:

- 1) Send donations to: admin@sjocross.org
- 2) Send a separate email message to admin@sjocross.org with your Security Answer, your Name, Phone number, and purpose of this fund.

Altar Servers Needed

Moms and Dads, if your child is in Grade 4 and above, see if they want to be an Altar Server. It will be wonderful to see them serving during Holy Mass.

There is a form to be completed if they are interested. Please contact the Parish Office.



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Ministry Volunteers Needed

The ministry provides volunteers with the opportunity to participate at Mass as Eucharistic Ministers assisting with the service of Holy Communion.

Volunteers are needed for all Masses but are especially needed for the noon and 4pm Masses on Sundays. If you are interested in volunteering, please leave your name, phone number, and email address at the church office.



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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Feast Service starts at 2:45pm, Sunday, April 24th, followed by the Holy Mass at 4:00pm

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, prayers and blessing of Divine Mercy icons. Bring your unblessed Divine Mercy statues, rosaries, pictures, etc. for blessings.



Jesus, I Trust in You!

DIVINE MERCY QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q. Can I attend the Vigil Mass on Saturday and receive the graces of Divine Mercy Sunday?

A. Yes, the Vigil Mass fulfills the Sunday obligation of the Feast of Divine Mercy, so the extraordinary graces are available when you receive Holy Communion in a state of grace at the Saturday Vigil Mass.

Q. How can I receive extraordinary graces on Divine Mercy Sunday?

A. In order to receive the extraordinary graces, you should prepare by making a good confession, so that you can receive Holy Communion in a state of grace on Divine Mercy Sunday. In addition, Our Lord asked St. Faustina to be sure to perform acts of mercy, and to come to Him in Holy Communion with great trust in His mercy.

Q. Why is the beginning of the Chaplet optional?

A. The Chaplet, as dictated to St. Faustina by our Lord, begins with the Our Father, the Hail Mary, and the Apostles Creed. The prayer which begins, **You expired, Jesus** (*Diary 1319*), may be used as an introductory prayer to the Chaplet.

DAILY MASS READINGS

Table with 2 columns: Date and Readings. Rows include April 25 to May 1 with corresponding Bible verses.

The world is yours, God. You created it all. I am adopted into your kingdom, and I am grateful to you as my heavenly Father.

Q. When should I go to confession in order to receive the extraordinary graces?

A. You do not have to go to confession on Mercy Sunday itself. We know from her Diary that St. Faustina made her confession in preparation for Mercy Sunday on the day before (Diary 1072). In fact, all of Lent should be a preparation to make a good confession to receive Holy Communion worthily on Easter Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday.

INCOME TAX PREPARATION For Eligible Individuals

Free income tax preparation for low income individuals is offered by the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP), coordinated by the Canada Revenue Agency.

Contact the parish office to check eligibility and to book an appointment on Saturdays from 9 AM to 12:00 PM, during the months of March and April.

Due to the current restrictions, all tax preparation will be completed by way of telephone interview with the approval of the taxpayer.

To qualify for the CVITP program, the income requirements (Approx.) are as follows:

\$35,000 for a single person who has no dependents

- \$45,000 for a single parent and 1 child plus \$2,500 per additional dependent
• \$45,000 for a couple plus \$2,500 per dependent

The clinic does not complete tax returns for individuals with rental income, capital gains, self-employment / business income or returns for deceased individuals.

Interest income must be below \$1,000.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SPREAD MULCH ON CHURCH GARDENS

Mulch spreading will take place on Saturday, April 30, starting at 9 am. If you can spare a couple of hours, come and join us for some mulching under the sun! Bring a wheelbarrow if you have one. It will come in handy. (Questions? Call Al at 416.970.9242)



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“... Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.”

Matthew 19:14



FAMILY ACTIVITY FOR THE WEEK:

Divine Mercy Sunday

Hi guys! As we continue to celebrate Easter, do you know that the Sunday after Easter Sunday is designated as the Divine Mercy Sunday? Yes, it is!

You see, sometime in the 1930's (that's probably before your grandma and grandpa were born), Jesus appeared to a humble nun named Sister Faustina and told her about His Mercy. Jesus



wants everybody in the whole world, including you and me, to come to His Mercy. In one of the times that Jesus appeared to her, He told her to paint the image of Divine Mercy pouring out from His heart. In this image, Jesus is blessing the world with His one hand while His other hand is resting on the side that was wounded by the soldier's spear. We remember, boys and girls, that when the soldiers wounded Jesus on the cross with his spear, blood and water gushed out from his side. That's what the red and white rays of light that we see in the Divine Mercy image.

Jesus also told Sister Faustina to put the words, "Jesus, I trust in you", at the bottom of the Divine Mercy image to remind everyone to trust Jesus, to trust God.

Jesus wants to give very special helps or graces to everyone who comes to Him. When we come to Jesus, we come with trust in our hearts.

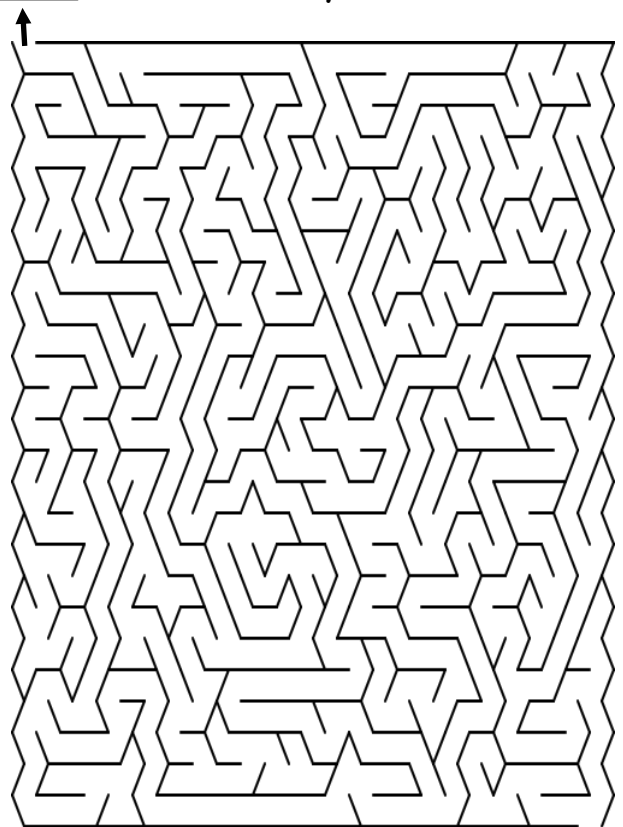
Jesus said many things to Sister Faustina, including the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayer.

Sister Faustina wrote what Jesus told her in her diary and that, boys and girls, is how we knew more about the Divine Mercy of Jesus.

Jesus, I Trust In You.



Help the families find their way to Church.



BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 25, 9am

- 1. For the Healing of Nadine & Adrian Kenny, requested by the Family

Tuesday, April 26, 9am

- 1. For the soul of Joseph Robson, requested by the Robson Family
- 2. For the soul of Cajetan D’Souza, requested by Marilyn, Clayton, Treffy & Family

Wednesday, April 27, 9am

- 1. For the soul of Curcino & Fammy D’Costa, requested by the Vieira Family
- 2. For the soul of Kathrine Bobnic, requested by the St. John Family
- 3. For Birthday Blessings for Alison Sastry, requested by Elma Sastry
- 4. For Birthday Blessings for Alison Sastry, requested by the DeSouza Family

Thursday, April 28, 9am

- 1. For the soul of Bonnie Ceasar D’Mello, requested by Martha Dias

Friday, April 29, 9am

- 1. For the soul of John Benjamin, requested by the Benjamin Family
- 2. For the soul of Roque Soares, requested by Rolinda, Cyrus & Family
- 3. For the soul of Vernon Carvalho, requested by the Family

Saturday, April 30, 9am

- 1. For the soul of George Gonsalves, requested by Jules & Michelle Coutinho

Saturday, April 30, 5pm

- 1. For Thanksgiving intention, requested by Remy Menezes

Sunday, May 1, 10am

- 1. For Marriage Thanksgiving for George & Nivedha, requested by George Davis

Sunday, May 1, 4 pm

- 1. For the soul of Maria Ferrer, requested by the Family

“Lord, as we approach your Divine Mercy, we bring to you our troubled world, our distracted minds, and our restless hearts. Bring peace, O Lord, joy, and radiance to your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.”



There is no longer a dispensation to those who are participating in the Holy Mass by livestream or TV except if they are sick or in isolation.

Come! Let us gather in-person and celebrate our faith together.



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FREE REGISTRATION

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- MAY 7 – JUN 11, 2022 (6 SATURDAYS)
- 7:00 PM (Please be there 15 minutes early for registration)
- ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS, 6890 GLEN ERIN DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA

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Light snacks will be provided

Contact:

Moe & Lynnne Reyes – 289-233-7633 / 647-818-5270 or
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"He is Risen, indeed!"

We would like to express our deep gratitude to all who helped in the Holy Week Celebrations including Danny Pavan and the Eucharistic Ministry Team, Alice Pinder and the Altar Servers Team, Donna Abalos, Julia D'Souza and the Altar Guild Team, Deanne Taylor and the Music Ministry Team, Clinton Machado, Kristen Lobo, Sarah Robinson and the Youth Group Team, Liane Harris and the RCIA/RCIC Team, and Mary Grace Krzyworuczka, Sacristan.

Thank you for helping make the celebrations welcoming, inspiring, and holy. As you continue to serve the community of St. John of the Cross with humility and joy, may our faithful and merciful God reveal Himself more to you. May your days ahead be grace-filled.

God bless,
Fr. Joyson

Thank You

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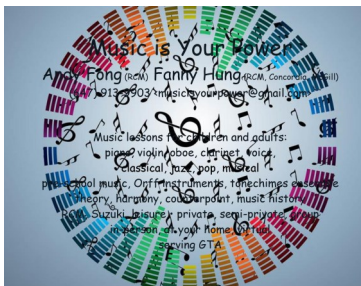


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