



# **April 24, 2022 Sunday of Divine Mercy**



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Acts 5:12-16 Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 Jn 20:19-31	1 Pt 5:5b-14 Mk 16:15-20	Acts 4:32-37 Jn 3:7b-15	Acts 5:17-26 Jn 3:16-21
Divine Mercy Sunday 8:00 am First Communion Mass	6:45 am High School Bi- ble Study IC-TC	8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC	8:30 am Mass IC Adam Donohue †
DMCC Ashley Miller Carlson +	12:00 pm Bulletin an- nouncements due to Bul-	8:30 am Mass DMCC Enrique Enniquez +	10:30 am Mass IC Allen LaCanne ナ
10:00 am First Communion  Mass (ASL interpreted) DMCC  Gladys Stassen ↑	letin Editor. Occasionally deadlines vary due to holiday schedules.	9:00 am DMCC Quilters IC-TC	5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 MSB- Atrium
12 Noon First Communion Mass (Spanish) DMCC Parish 1:00-3:00 pm Reconciliation, Ado-	5:00 pm Reconciliation DMCC	2:00 pm FCTV Mass from previous weekend: Consolidated Communi-	5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 2 MSB- Atrium
ration, and Veneration DMCC  3:30 pm Divine Mercy Sunday	5:30 pm Mass DMCC Joseph & Carole	cations channel 10, Charter channel 181	6:00 pm Confirmation Rehearsal IC
Mass DMCC Rob Savoie ↑  NO 5:00 pm Mass	Plumb † 5:30 pm St. Anne's	7:00 pm Son's of Thunder Men's Bible Study	6:30 pm DMCC Choir Rehearsal DMCC
6:30 pm Choir #2 Practice DMCC	Homeschool Group DMCC-SFC	DMCC-Farmhouse	7:15 pm High School Youth Group DMCS-Gym

#### **Locations Key**

DMCC—New Site (SFC—St. Faustina Commons; BDR—Bishop Dudley Activity Room; JP II—John Paul II Portico; NAR-Narthex); HOG—House of Gratitude; DMCS—Divine Mercy Catholic School; GYM—DMCS Gym; IC-Immaculate Conception; KC—KC Hall; MSB—Mother Samuel Building; TC—Tomlinson Center (youth room) MCF—Minnesota Correctional Facility PLM—Pleasant Manor



### Message from Father Cory Rohlfing

All the great conquerors of history would have loved to live forever - but none of them could conquer their **greatest** foe: death. Only Christ did that.

One of them came close, though, in a way. His name was **Napoleon**. He was the middle-class military officer who took power in France and restored order after the French Revolution. But his vision extended **beyond** France's borders. He considered himself a Messiah-like figure, destined to create a French Empire as expansive and long-lasting as the ancient Roman Empire. And it seemed he was right. In only three years his army had conquered all of continental Europe, from the borders of Russia to the Island of Great Britain. But Russia and England still held onto their independence.

In 1812 Napoleon took up yet another campaign of conquest, invading Russia with an army of more than 600,000 men drawn from all over Europe. His campaign failed, and soon an alliance of conquered nations pushed back the imperial ar-

mies and sent the emperor into exile, where his glorious career smoldered.

That's when things got **interesting**. In the course of 12 months, the still youthful general secretly arranged his escape from exile, mustered his former army, and re-conquered the city of Paris. Without pausing to rest or enjoy his success, he launched another attack against his international opponents. His invincibility seemed to have returned. All of Europe was once again trembling in the emperor's shadow. It was like a resurrection. But on the hundredth day after his return, Napoleon was defeated and deposed at the Battle of Waterloo, and sent back into exile, where he died six years later at the age of 52.

It is like that with every earthly kingdom - whether in the military, politics, academia, or business. After 100 days, they pass away, like smoke. Only Christ has made a definitive comeback, an irreversible victory. Only of our Lord can it be said, "His Kingdom will have no end."

To that end Jesus offers us His Divine Mercy this weekend. Jesus tells St. Faustina to tell us, "And fear nothing, dear soul, whoever you are; the greater the sinner, the greater his right to Your mercy, O Lord." Jesus through St. Faustina tells us that we are to go to confession. Jesus who is hidden in the priest will give great graces to forgive us and help us on our journey. Jesus continues to tell St. Faustina, "My daughter, have fear of nothing; I am always with you. All your adversaries will harm you only to the degree that I permit them to do so. You are my dwelling place and my constant repose. For your sake I will withhold the hand which punishes; for your sake I bless the earth." (no. 431)

May you be greeted with Mercy this day, Fr. Cory Rohlfing

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Acts 5:27-33 Jn 3:31-36  8:30 am Mass DMCC Esther Vavra †  9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 MSB-Atrium  7:00 pm Prayer Group DMCC	Acts 5:34-42 Jn 6:1-15  7:45 am St. Anne's Choir Practice DMCC-BDAR  8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC  8:30 am Mass DMCC Peggy Isaacson *	30 Acts 6:1-7 Jn 6:16-21  8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC  8:30 am Mass DMCC Bob Vogelsberg †  9:00 am Reconciliation DMCC  9:00 am Chapel Meeting DMCC-SFC  4:00 pm Mass DMCC Deceased Members of the Chappuis Family †	1 Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Rev 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19 8:00 am Mass DMCC Rose Marie & Frank Marz † 10:00 am Mass (ASL interpreted) DMCC Art Flemming † 12 Noon Mass (Spanish) DMCC Felipe Ramos & Catalina Lazaro † 5:00 pm Mass DMCC Parish

# **PreK-Grade 12 Education**

**DMCS Summer Care Registration Open!** Registration is now open for the summer care program at Divine Mercy Catholic School for preschool and K-5 students. Contact DMCS at 507-334-7706 for more information.

**Summer Camp Info!** Check out the News section on Bethlehem Academy's website at www.bacards.org for information on robotics, sports, and other great summer camp options.

#### New Student Applications Open/Tours Available

BA and DMCS are excited to welcome new student applications for the 2022-2023 school year! Apply online for spots in our PreK-Grade 12 classes at www.dmcs.cc or www.bacards.org. Tuition assistance is available! Want to learn more about our great Catholic schools? Contact Ginger at 507-334-7706 or Kris at BA (507-334-3948) for more information or to schedule a tour.



## **Ministry of Mission and Outreach**

#### **Pastoral Care/Mission and Outreach**

<u>Feast of the Divine Mercy</u>: This weekend we are celebrating our parish patronal feast. Let us pray for one another in appreciation for mercy that is shown us by our God and let us show mercy to all.

HOSPITAL MINISTRY: We will soon be resuming ministry at the hospital which entails bringing Communion to those who are sick. The expectation is that you would go to the hospital once or twice a month. Training is provided. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Bernadette Tatge at btatge@divinemercy.cc or call 507-331-7253.

Recent moves to nursing home, assisted living, or District One: we are calling on your help. If you have a relative or friend who has recently moved to an assisted living, nursing home, or is in District One, even if only temporarily, please call 507-331-7253 or email Bernadette Tatge (btage@divinemercy.cc) or Sister Kathleen (srkathleen@divinemercy.cc) so we can better serve them. We have regular services or communion visits at Emeralds, Faribault Senior Living, Milestone, Mill City, New Perspectives Pleasant Manor, Pleasant View Estates, and Trails Edge. If a parishioner has moved out of town (e.g. in Northfield or Owatonna), we will keep in contact with them via notes and cards.

#### CCW

A BIG thank you to the groups who made and served a variety of delicious soups for the Lenten Soup Suppers: Knights of Columbus, Marlene/Bob Gustafson, Bethlehem Academy/ Divine Mercy School, Connie DeGrood/Betty Berge/Marcia Simon, Sister Parish, and the Hispanic Ministry. Thanks to the all who attended, the families who brought dessert items, CCW, and Confirmation students for all the help in set up & clean up.

Next CCW meeting is May 2 at 6:15 pm right after 5:30 pm Mass. Plan to attend as we will be reviewing the By-laws and Standing Rules.

#### **Respect Life**

On this feast of the Divine Mercy let us recollect the words of Jesus to Saint Faustina, "This feast emerged from the very depths of My mercy and it is confirmed in the vast depths of My tender mercies. Every soul believing and trusting in My mercy will obtain it." Let us believe in these words of Our Jesus and pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy trusting that He will soon show mercy to the innocent children in the womb and cause an end to the destructive and cruel practice of abortion.



Pregnancy Options Life Care Center is always in need of donations; call the center for more information! Diapers are always needed! www.pregnancyoptionsfbo.org - (507-332-7644)

#### St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" Indeed, the mercy of God centers our heart in peace.

If you or a family you know needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Food Shelf so that together we can "listen to the voice of Jesus" to serve those who are suffering and poor.

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Watch for the Knights of Columbus annual Tootsie Roll to help people with intellectual disabilities the weekend of April 30/May 1.

# **Divine Mercy Sunday**

April 24th

"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." ~as told to St. Faustina



#### Sons of Thunder

#### Tuesday Nights at 7:00 PM at DMCC Farmhouse

Men of the Church,

You are invited to join a men's group formed to help us grow in our walk with God, to answer His call, and to give us an opportunity for fraternity. We call ourselves Sons of Thunder. This was the name Jesus gave two of his disciples, James and John (Mark 3:17), when he appointed the Twelve.

What to expect: Opening Prayer, Reading of following Sunday's Mass Readings, Refreshments, & Fraternity.

Please plan on joining us for about an hour or so. After closing prayer, we will have refreshments and social time.

We look forward to seeing you.

#### **Lost and Found**

Are you missing gloves, hats, glasses, sunglasses, a retainer, a watch with a blue band?

If so, please check the Lost and Found at the desk in the Narthex. Any items that are still there on Monday, April 25 will be repurposed.

#### Prayer Shawl

The prayer shawls and baptismal blankets will be blessed on the first Tuesday of every month at the 8:30 am daily Mass. We will then have our meeting in the St. Faustina Commons from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Our next blessing and meeting will be May 3rd. We would like to welcome everyone who is interested in making prayer shawls and baptismal blankets to join our meeting. We will knit, get yarn, share information, and have fellowship. If you have completed prayer shawls or baptismal blankets and cannot come to the daily Mass, you can drop them off at the church anytime. If you have any questions please contact Winnie Hughes at 507-339-9160, Carol McHugo at 507-412-9714, or Betty Berge 507-332-8796. If you know of anyone who could use a prayer shawl, please contact one of us or call the Church office.

#### **Gift Shop**

Located at the Church - 139 Mercy Dr.

'Tis the season for First Communions and Confirmations! 20% off for all items for those receiving either of these sacraments.

Gift Shop at the church is normally open 8-5 Monday-Friday, however call (507-331-7253) before coming to be sure someone is there.

20% off during April and May only!



## **Ministry of Communion**

#### **Adoration Chapel**

Mother Samuel Building 104 Second Ave SW

Today, Divine Mercy Sunday, we celebrate our 24th anniversary for our chapel. Alleluia! Pray that more come to visit Jesus who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Current available hours:

Sunday 1-2 p.m. (temporary, every other week)

Friday 2-3 p.m. (prayer partner needed)

Friday 8-9 p.m. (prayer partner needed)

Saturday 8-9 p.m.

Please contact Libby at 507-331-0860 if you can take an hour.



### Seven Sisters Apostolate-**Praving for our Priests**

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve May see in them the love and care of Jesus, Our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

# **Ministry of Administration**

#### **Stewardship of Tithing: Financial Gifts**

Information unavailable at time of printing.

#### Home Mission Appeal:

Support the Catholic Home Mission Appeal: Please be generous in your gift to support religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training to help meet the faith formation and sacramental needs. 40% of the dioceses in the United States and its territories are mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities.

# **Community News**

Memory Care: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each Month 10:00-11:15 am at Steele County History Center, 1700 Austin Road, Owatonna: This serves to provide education, area services, and community resources in a safe environment for person living with mild to moderate dementia and their care givers. This is an in-person program focused on awareness of dementia and connecting family, friends, and neighbors to supportive services in the community through meaningful social activities such as storytelling, music, games, and SCHS museum collections. To RSVP or more information call: Mary Ann Higgins at 507-451-1420.

Please plan to attend the Pregnancy Options, all you can eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 14 from 7-11am. Breakfast includes sausage, milk, juice, coffee and all you can eat pancakes. Adults: (11 and up) \$10 (\$11 at the door), children: (ages 4-10) \$6, and 3 and under free. Purchase tickets from Julie Hoisington or call Gina at 507-332-





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