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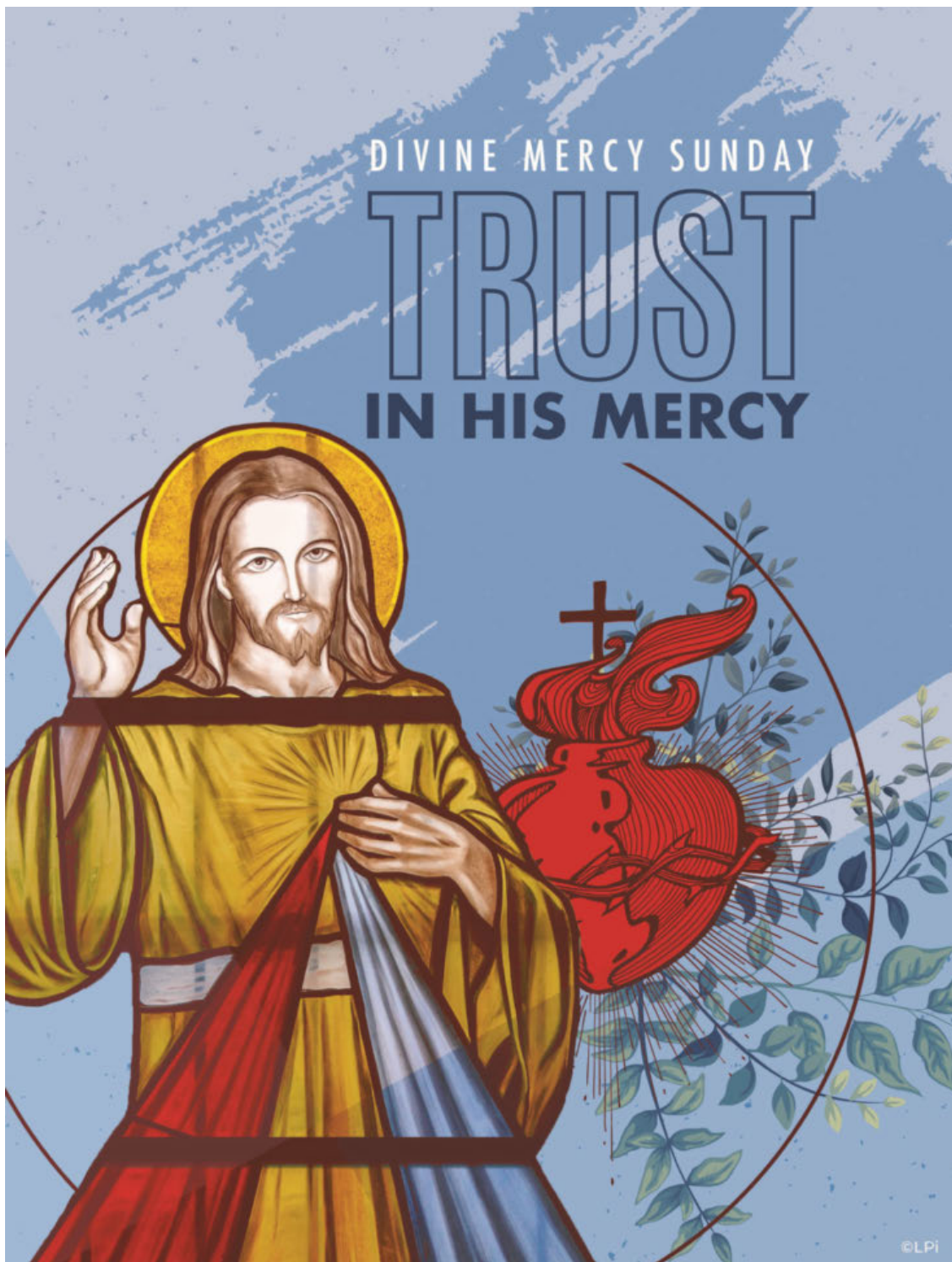
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### DAILY MASS:

Mater Dei Holy Name: Monday through Friday - 8:00 am

### WEEKEND MASS:

Mater Dei Holy Name: Saturday - 5:00 pm; Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

**RECONCILIATION:** Mater Dei Holy Name - Saturday - 3:30 pm



Keith Adams	Joyce Green	Cheryl Ness
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Jose Frederick	Melinda Mitchiner	Deborah Weaver
Janice Gill	Lindsay Miller	Bev Wunder
Ora Lee Gish	Royce Muller	



**Attention! Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2022** - Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration **June 12, 2022**

**2:30 pm**, Church of the Nativity/ Leawood  
To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the parish office and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding. Please do this as soon as possible.



- Monday, April 25, 2022**  
8:00 am Loretta Thomas †
- Tuesday, April 26, 2022**  
8:05 am Bob Hamilton †
- Wednesday April 27, 2022**  
8:00 am # Theresa Carter †
- Thursday, April 28, 2022**  
8:00 am Rozella Hoffman †
- Friday, April 29, 2022**  
8:00 am # Kathleen Schleuder †
- Saturday April 30, 2022**  
5:00 pm Venna Willingham †
- Sunday, May 1, 2022**  
8:00 am Nadine Seitz †  
10:30 am Mary Lou Finan †  
5:00 pm Mater Dei Parishioners
- † Deceased # All School Mass

**Air Force:** Jacob Crawshaw, Clayton Mettleton, Tyler J. Wilson

**Air National Guard:** Mason Pakerson

**Army:** Joseph Immenschuh, Jared Koopman, Mark Lojewski, Benjamin Metzger, Dylan Treadwell

**Marines:** Martin Gray, Eli Lotendresse

**National Guard:** Mike Liotta

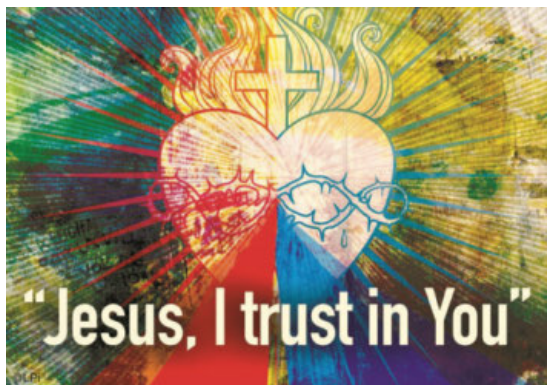

**Navy:** Schuylor Baum, Ethan Figgs, Ryan France, Eddie Lyons, Peter Oberle, Isaac Schreiner, Garrett Wilson



COLLECTION REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2022		
Receipts for March 19, 2022 to March 25, 2022	Fiscal Year to Date	
White Envelopes	\$7,295.00	\$312,315.37
Banking	\$2,392.00	\$188,240.78
Plate	\$616.40	\$31,163.17
Total Collections	\$10,303.40	\$531,719.32
Amount Budgeted for Collections	\$15,000.00	\$570,000.00
Income Over/-Under Budget	-\$4,696.60	-\$38,280.68


**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

Apr. 24<sup>th</sup> – Religious Education, 9:00 am – 10:30 am, MDS  
 April 25<sup>th</sup> – Altar Society, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Parish Hall  
 April 26<sup>th</sup> – Finance Committee, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Parish Hall  
 Apr. 27<sup>th</sup> – All School Mass, 8:00 am  
 Apr. 27<sup>th</sup> - RCIA, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Parish Hall  
 Apr. 28<sup>th</sup> - Light of the World, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm, Parish Hall  
 Apr. 29<sup>th</sup> – All School Mass, 8:00 am

Our lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn, we implore your powerful intercession at this most critical of times. Now that the Kansas Supreme Court has completely removed pro-life protections for the unborn and women in distress, we humbly ask you to strengthen our efforts to pass the Value Them Both Kansas Constitutional Amendment to reverse this decision and protect the sanctity of life in our state.

Amen





**OUR RCIA PROGRAM MEETS WEEKLY** and is a great opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith. There is no obligation to attend every week, but you may be interested in the different subjects discussed.

**Classes are Wednesday from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Following is the upcoming schedule:

Apr. 27 – Death, Dying, Catholic funerals  
May 4 – Stewardship/Ministries



**Prep Classes** are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m., Parish Meeting Room. Baptisms are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month after the 10:30 a.m.

Call the Parish Office, 785-232-7744, to schedule Baptismal Prep Classes and/or Baptisms.



**MONDAY NIGHT BINGO AT HAYDEN SPONSORED BY OUR PARISH** - Come and play Bingo. It is a fun, inexpensive night of entertainment. You may even win some money while supporting our parish. Bring your family and friends. The more people participating, the more it benefits our Parish. Early Bird starts at 6:30 pm with Regular Bingo starting at 7:00 pm.



**Mater Dei Child Care Center** is seeking a **full time Preschool teacher Assistant**. We're looking for an individual that has a passion to teach young children & work as a team player. Must be 18 and have a High School diploma or equivalent. Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00.

Call Ms. Virginia at 232-1603 or email [materdeiccc@materdeischool.org](mailto:materdeiccc@materdeischool.org) or apply [www.materdeichildcare.org](http://www.materdeichildcare.org)



**Runnin' With the Revs Topeka Game, April 25** - All are invited to cheer on their favorite priest or student player at the Runnin' With the Revs basketball game **on Monday, April 25th at 7pm at Hayden**

**High School.** Priests will be teamed up with 8th grade and high school students from our Catholic schools in an exciting game of basketball. Bring your family and friends to enjoy this fun event. Donations collected will benefit our seminarians.

### REGIONAL NEWS

**ANNUAL ST. MATTHEW PARISH CARD PARTY**- Join us for an evening of cards, food, fun and prizes! April 30, 6:30pm, Saint Matthew Catholic Church, 2700 SE Virginia Ave. \$5/person. A variety of games will be played. Refreshments will be served. Prizes will be awarded for the card marathon. *Sponsored by St. Michael Guild*

**"Daughters of Isabella - Little Flower Circle"** - The next meeting will be held on **April 24, 2022, at 12:40 PM** in Yadrich Hall at Christ the King Parish, 5972 SW 25th St. A Rosary will be followed by the business meeting and social time. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Diana Ortiz at 785-554-4256.

**"Daughters of Isabella Little Flower Circle"** - Come help celebrate Mary's Holy Hour on Saturday, **May 7th, 10:00 AM at MDHN Church (Chapel)**, 911 SW Clay St. Deacon Chris Seago will officiate. Following the Rosary there will be an auditors meeting in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions call Chancellor Gen Orozco at 785-213-0374..



**MATER DEI PARISH WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES** by listing their names in the bulletin. If you have a student from Mater Dei Parish graduating this year, please call the Parish Office, 232-7744 or email [gail@materdeiparish.org](mailto:gail@materdeiparish.org) with their name and the school they are graduating from by June 6<sup>th</sup>.



## Congratulations to Those Students Who Were Confirmed on April 4<sup>th</sup>

John-Patrick Elijah Ayella  
Ciera Rubi Belaire-Serna  
Lydia Marie Dennis  
Madeline Elizabeth Deters  
Mikayla Marie Edds  
Genesis Hernandez  
Jose Luiz Hernandez  
Beatrice Kate Herreman  
Aaron Daniel Lane  
Luciano Andres Marcelo  
Maggy Edie Ann McGuire

Katherine Virginia Mead  
Andrew William Moore  
Joseph Paul Noriega  
Keaven Lee Ortiz  
Nicholas Ruslan Prater  
Finley Elise Jean Smith  
Samantha Rose Stegman  
Noah Mark Storrer  
Joshua Daniel Weeks  
Cade Michael Whitemore

### ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

#### **Join the Memorare Army for the passage of the Value Them Both Amendment**

The most important action we can take to help pass the Value Them Both Amendment is to turn to prayer and asking Our Mother to intercede for us is effective and powerful. Mother Teresa formed the first "Memorare Army" years ago, and Archbishop Naumann and Benedictine College have both been longtime fans of this prayer campaign.

There are 100 days between Divine Mercy Sunday and the Value Them Both vote. If 1,000 Kansans commit to praying 10 Memorares each day from **April 25<sup>th</sup> to August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 1 million Memorares will be prayed for the successful passage of the amendment. If you would like to join this powerful prayer campaign, please register at [www.archkck.org/VTBMemorareArmy](http://www.archkck.org/VTBMemorareArmy) before April 25th. Thank you for your support!

#### *The Memorare*

*Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided.*

*Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.*

*To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.*

*O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen*

**Family Day at Prairie Star Ranch** - Prairie Star Ranch is offering you the chance to step away and enter into a day of prayer, adventure, outdoor activities, and a time to reconnect. Families, friends, and communities are invited to join us on **Saturday, May 7th** from 9am to 5pm! Opportunities include Horseback Riding, Canoeing, Ropes Activities, and time for prayer. The experience will culminate with the celebration of a Saturday Vigil Mass in our beautiful St. Kateri Chapel. All ages are welcome to this come-and-go as you please event! Register online now or contact the Team at Prairie Star Ranch. [www.archkck.org/ranch](http://www.archkck.org/ranch) -- 785-746-5693 -- [psrministry@archkck.org](mailto:psrministry@archkck.org)

**The Enderle-Bogenrife Scholarship Endowment:** Mary Rose Enderle and Richard Bogenrife have established a scholarship endowment for

Catholic students living in Leavenworth and Wyandotte counties that plan on attending a trade or vocational school. Most trade and vocational programs are available through community and technical colleges. The scholarship award is for tuition up to \$5,000.00. To request a scholarship application please email Dave Hernandez at [landofoz1239@sunflower.com](mailto:landofoz1239@sunflower.com) or call 913-369-2718. Scholarship **application deadline is May 1, 2022.**



Congratulations to Those Who Received Sacraments and Who Were Received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil on April 16<sup>th</sup>

Linda K. Smith – Communion, Confirmation

Woodard Christopher Drury – Baptism, Communion, Confirmation

Charles Leroy Kahler – Baptism, Communion, Confirmation

Thank you to our dedicated RCIA Team!

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience, will be April 29 - May 1, 2022**, at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas. For more information, visit the website at [www.WWME.org](http://www.WWME.org) and follow us on Facebook. To apply for the weekend, you can go online or call/email Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net)

For more information about **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** and how our ministry can support the couples in your parish you can contact us at the following:

- ♦ Local Area Leadership Couple: Brad & Maggie Harris, 405-206-1600, [brad.Maggie.Harris@wwme.org](mailto:brad.Maggie.Harris@wwme.org)
- ♦ Local Area Leadership Priest: Fr. Mike Stubbs, 913-326-0466, [mstubbs119@aol.com](mailto:mstubbs119@aol.com)
- ♦ Weekend Application Couple: Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066, [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net)
- ♦ Inviting Resource Couple: Ralph & Jan Lewis, 913-909-1028, [encounteredcouple@gmail.com](mailto:encounteredcouple@gmail.com)

**Christian Widow and Widowers Organization** (open to all faiths) will have a Potluck Dinner in the Culhane Room at Most Pure Heart at **5:00 pm on Thursday, April 28**. Bring a covered dish or dessert. Quarter Bingo will be played after dinner. For more information, call Joann at 233-7350 or Doris at 273-2673.

**Sunday of Divine Mercy** - This weekend we celebrate the Sunday of Divine Mercy. God's greatest desire is to forgive us, pouring out His infinite mercy upon us so that we may be healed. Women and men alike who have been involved in an abortion may feel deep grief, guilt, anxiety, depression, broken relationships and a sense of alienation from God and the Church. They may experience anniversary reactions to the date of the abortion or what would have been the baby's due date. For anyone struggling with this, the Church cares. It is never too late to seek the Lord's mercy and healing through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Consider confidential, compassionate help from our Archdiocesan abortion healing ministry. It is open to those of any faith or no faith, offering hope and healing to women and men hurting from past abortions. Please visit [www.projectrachelkc.com](http://www.projectrachelkc.com), call 913.621.2199 or email [projectrachelkc@archkck.org](mailto:projectrachelkc@archkck.org)



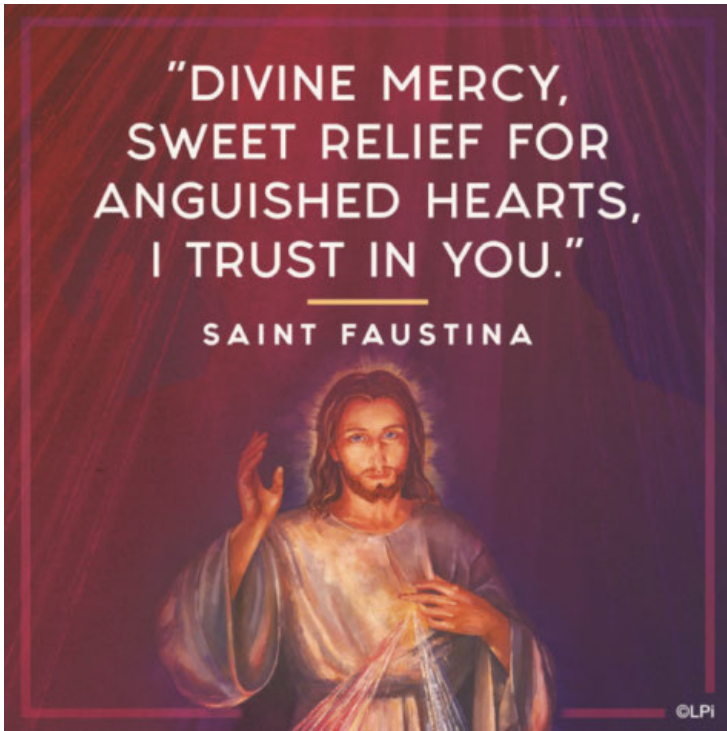


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**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**Question:**

Where did the feast of Divine Mercy come from?

**Answer:**

If you were born well before the year 2000, you know the feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world.

Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young woman, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, “a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind with experience in the years to come.”

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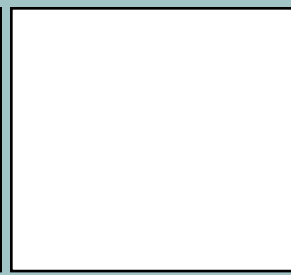
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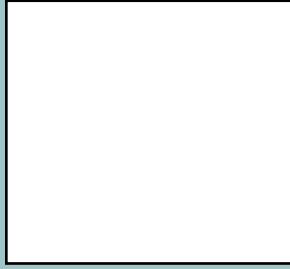
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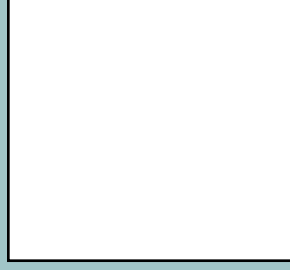
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