

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** 

**APRIL 24, 2022** 

# Cresson Catholic Community of St. Aloysius Parish, St. Francis Xavier Parish & All Saints Catholic School

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#### On Easter Sunday We Celebrate What Jesus Did – On Divine Mercy Sunday We Celebrate Why He Did It!

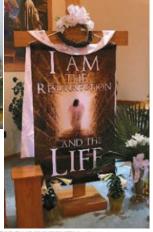
St. Faustina wrote: On one occasion, I heard these words: My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole 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 all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. 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 forth 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. (Diary 699)

A Special *Thank You* for Adding to the Beauty of Easter! At the risk of missing a name or two, I want to thank Annie Klemstine, Susan Dillon, Joe and Alice Lee for all their beautiful decorations over the Lent and Easter Seasons. Pics of FX next week...



Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!





### ECCLESIA IN AMERICA

Pope Saint John Paul II

#### CH 4 - THE PATH TO COMMUNION Leading children to encounter Christ

**48**. Children are God's gift and a sign of his presence. "There is a need to accompany children in their encounter with Christ, from Baptism to First Communion, since they are part of the living community of faith, hope and love". The Church is

grateful for the efforts of parents, teachers, pastoral, social and health care workers, and all those who seek to serve the family and children with the same attitude as Jesus Christ who said: "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" (*Mt* 19:4).

The Synod Fathers rightly deplored and condemned the painful condition of many children throughout America who are denied their dignity, their innocence and even their life. "This condition includes violence, poverty, homelessness, lack of adequate health

care and education, the harm inflicted by drugs and alcohol, and other states of neglect and abuse". In this regard, special mention was made during the Synod of the problem of the sexual abuse of children and child prostitution, and the Fathers made an urgent appeal "to all those holding authority in society, that, as a priority, they do all in their power to alleviate the suffering of children in America".



# Elements of communion with other Christian Churches and Ecclesial Communities

49. Between the Catholic Church and the other Christian Churches and Ecclesial Communities there exists a drive towards communion rooted in the Baptism which each administers. It is a drive nourished by prayer, dialogue and joint action. The Synod Fathers wished to express their special desire "to cooperate in the dialogue already under way with the Orthodox Church, with which we share many elements of faith, sacramental life and piety". The specific proposals of the Synodal assembly concerning non-Catholic Christian Churches and Ecclesial Communities as a whole were numerous. It was suggested in the first place "that Catholic Christians, Pastors and faithful foster cooperation between Christians of the different confessions, in the name of the Gospel, in response to the cry of the poor, by the promotion of justice, by common prayer for unity and by sharing in the word of God and the experience of faith in the living Christ". Also, to be promoted, when possible and appropriate, are meetings of experts from the different Churches and Ecclesial Communities aimed at facilitating ecumenical dialogue. Ecumenism should be a subject of reflection and shared experience between the different Catholic Episcopal Conferences in America.

Reflection: Catholic and Orthodox can share Communion with proper permissions because both Traditions have valid succession and Ordination. However, Catholics and all Protestant denomination cannot share Communion because Protestant ministers do not have valid succession or Ordination. Nevertheless, they remain our "separated brother and sisters in Christ" according to JPII. We share the same Gospels and we can work together in various ministries for the common good, which is the driving force behind Ecumenism.

#### ST ALOYSIUS PARISH

Catholic	Parish Target	\$2	20,955.00	
Ministries	Total Pledges	\$	5286.00	25%
Drive	No of Gifts		38/306	12%
2022	Actual Rec'd	\$	4936.00	24%
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Collection 4/10/2022: Collection 4/10/2022: Adults \$6824; children \$32; loose \$109; candles \$65; Easter \$205; utilities \$42; angel fund \$41; Mandeville \$5; Holy Land \$10; Holy Thurs. \$15 <u>Total Deposit \$7348</u> Christmas Club \$15; Development \$39; flowers \$30

Collection Holy Thursday: Adults \$560; Loose \$128 <u>Deposit:</u> \$688; Good Friday: Adults \$435; Loose \$147 <u>Deposit</u> \$582:

**Volunteers Needed:** We are in need of volunteers to help clean St. Aloysius Church. Groups are scheduled once every six weeks. If you are able to help, please contact Ann at the parish office (814 886-2235).

Editor appointed: In February 2022, Dr. Michael Kopanic, Jr, a St. Aloysius parishioner, was appointed to a new position as the editor of "Jednota," the Slovak-American Catholic Fraternal newspaper, the publication of the First Catholic Slovak Union (FCSU). He also serves on All Saints School Board and is an Adjunct Professor of History at the University of Maryland Global Campus. Here is a link to the newspaper <a href="https://www.fcsu.com/newspaper/newspaper-archive/">https://www.fcsu.com/newspaper/newspaper-archive/</a>



The pickup date for the April Sub Fundraiser is on Wednesday April 27th, 10-12pm and 4-5:30pm. The Catholic Daughters thank you for your support for this month's project.

**Forms for the next** Power House Sub Sale for St. Aloysius are due on Monday, May 2nd. Pick up times are Tuesday May 17th 10:00am-12:00pm and 4:00-5:30pm.



#### Attention Men of St. Aloysius and St. Francis Xavier:

- The conference begins with lunch.
- Speakers: UFC champion and movie star Bas Rutten, professional soccer player turned priest Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck, and power evangelist and preacher Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers.
- Opportunity for Reconciliation.
- 5:00 Mass with Bishop Mark Bartchak, which is open for the families of all the men attending.
- To register, visit: dioceseaj.org/2022-mens-con/

#### ST FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

Catholic	Parish Target		
Ministries	Total Pledges	\$10,248.00	56%
Drive	No of Gifts	49/294	17 %
2022	Actual Rec'd	\$ 7118.00	39%
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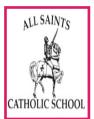
Collection 04/17/2022: Adults \$1415.92; Loose \$418; youth \$93; Holy Thursday \$304; Good Friday \$271; Easter Flowers \$25; Easter \$2788; Energy \$20; Development \$5; Angel Fund \$20; D M Novena \$45; Divine Mercy Candles \$55; Candles \$3; Easter Masses \$156; Mother's Day \$50; Catholic Home Mission \$80; Ash Wed. \$8; Total Deposit \$5756.92: Church Improvement \$26:

### **Our Lady of Fatima**



On May 13th, 1917 the children were again playing their games, this time building castles out of rock in the field. Suddenly they saw a flash of light. Believing it to be lightning, even though the sky was clear, the children gathered the sheep and started for home. They took refuge under a tree about a hundred yards away. They saw a flash of light again. They began running, going about a hundred yards further when suddenly they saw, standing over a small holmoak tree, a Lady dressed in white more brilliant than the sun. She said, "Don't be afraid. I won't hurt you! I am from Heaven. I come to ask you to come here for six months in succession, on the thirteenth day at this same hour. Then I will tell you who I am, and what I want. And afterwards I will return here a seventh time." (Our Lady appeared at the holmoak a total of six times. To this day there are only conjectures about when the seventh apparition took or will take place.) Lucia asked if the

three of them would go to Heaven. The Lady said they would except that Francisco would have to say many Rosaries first. Lucia asked about two of her friends who had died. The Lady responded that one was in Heaven but the other would be in Purgatory until the end of the world. The Lady went on to say, "Do you wish to offer yourselves to God, to endure all the sufferings that He may please to send you, as an act of reparation for the sins by which He is offended and to ask for the conversion of sinners?" Lucia responded, "Yes" for all three of them. Then the Lady said, "Then you will have much to suffer. But the grace of God will be your comfort." With this the Lady opened Her Hands and enveloped the children in light. Moved by an inward impulse, they fell to their knees praying, "O most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament." Again, the Lady spoke saying, "Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war" [World War I].



#### **All Saints Catholic School**

As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, may we strive to ask for and obtain the mercy of God, trust in Christ's abundant mercy, and show mercy to others and act as a conduit for God's mercy towards them.

Don't forget to attend our ASCS Basket Raffle & Bake Sale on Sunday, April 24, from 11-3 at St. Aloysius Community Hall. Tickets will be available at the

door

**Students will have** a Flexible Instruction Day and will not be in school on Wednesday, April 27. Teachers will be attending professional development sessions that day.

ASCS is excited to continue our association with Skills of Central PA. We collaborate to run an intergenerational program that benefits both organizations. Groups of our students and the adults in the Skills program meet monthly to work together on a project. Cooperation, compassion, and communication skills are enhanced through this program.



Religious Education Sunday Morning 9:15am to 10:45am

April 24 CCI

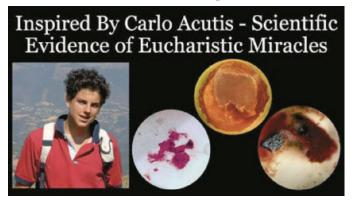
May 1 CCD Last Day of Classes

FIRST COMMUNION: May 1, St. Aloysius 8:00am St. Francis Xavier 11:00am

#### CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

**Confirmation Practice:** A Practice at the cathedral will be held at 6:00pm on May 2 to let everyone know the procedure for Confirmation Mass.

**Confirmation Mass:** May 3, 2022 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament Altoona 7:00pm.



The Eucharistic Miracles of the World will be on display at St. Aloysius Hall, May 8 to 14. There is a lot to see, read and learn, so plan to visit more than once. While you are enjoying hospitality, you can watch a short film on Carlo's life and your children can watch a longer cartoon he created on the life of Jesus. His life's ambition was to get others to establish a "friendship" with Jesus which he enjoyed himself. Come and see!

Exhibit Schedule: Sunday, May 8: 9am-4pm; Monday -Friday, May 9-12: 5-8pm; Tuesday & Thursday, May 10 & 12: 9-11am; Saturday, May 14: 8am-Noon.

FX Sanctuary Lamp — none listed SA Sanctuary Lamp — LOLA AURONGUNDADE (T Williams) MASS SCHEDULE FOR APR 25 TO MAY 01 Servers - APRIL 30-MAY 01 E & M Olienvk 4:00pm 8:00am Plazek family A Hines, R Resick 11:00am Lector-4:00pm K Koytek 8:00am **Sharon Sunseri** 11:00am J Hines Jr. **Extraordinary Minister of Eucharist** 4:00pm S Mullen 8:00am Ray/Barb Trybus 11:00am **J Hines** MON-APRIL 25 8:00am FX **NO MASS** TUE -APRIL 26 8:00am SA **JOHN SMILNAK (Ethel)** WED -APRIL 27 8:00am FX **JERRY BOLAND (Betty Hines)** 8:00pm SA 24 HR. ADORATION THUR -APRIL 28 8:00am SA INTENTIONS OF PAUL LINK (Joe & Alice Lee) 8:30am **ADORATION** 7:00pm **Holy Hour** 8:00pm **Confessions** FRI -APRIL 29 9:00am FX **JERRY ROBERTS (wife & son)** THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER SAT APRIL 30 11:00am NO Conf. & Adoration @ FX 4:00pm FX PEOPLE OF FX & SA PARISHES SUN -**MAY 01** 7:30am SA **ROSARY** 8:00am SA **THELMA BITER (Bob Biter family)** 10:30am FX **ROSARY** FX 11:00am LEWIS VASSALOTTI (Mike & LuAnn) **Dustbusters:** SA: FX: S & P Dillon MONDAY NIGHT BINGO Admission \$21.00 Doors Open 5:00pm Early Birds 6:30pm Reg. Games 7:00pm JACKPOT—\$1,000 in 54 Numbers **Consy—\$500** Magic # \$ 400+ All Niter # 1 \$ 275+ All Niter # 2 \$ X-Band **\$** 700+



HIGHWAY CLEAN UP: Saturday, April 30, 2021. Volunteers will meet at St. Aloysius Parking lot at 8:00am. Volunteers welcome! Any questions please call P. Dillon 814-502-2976.

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