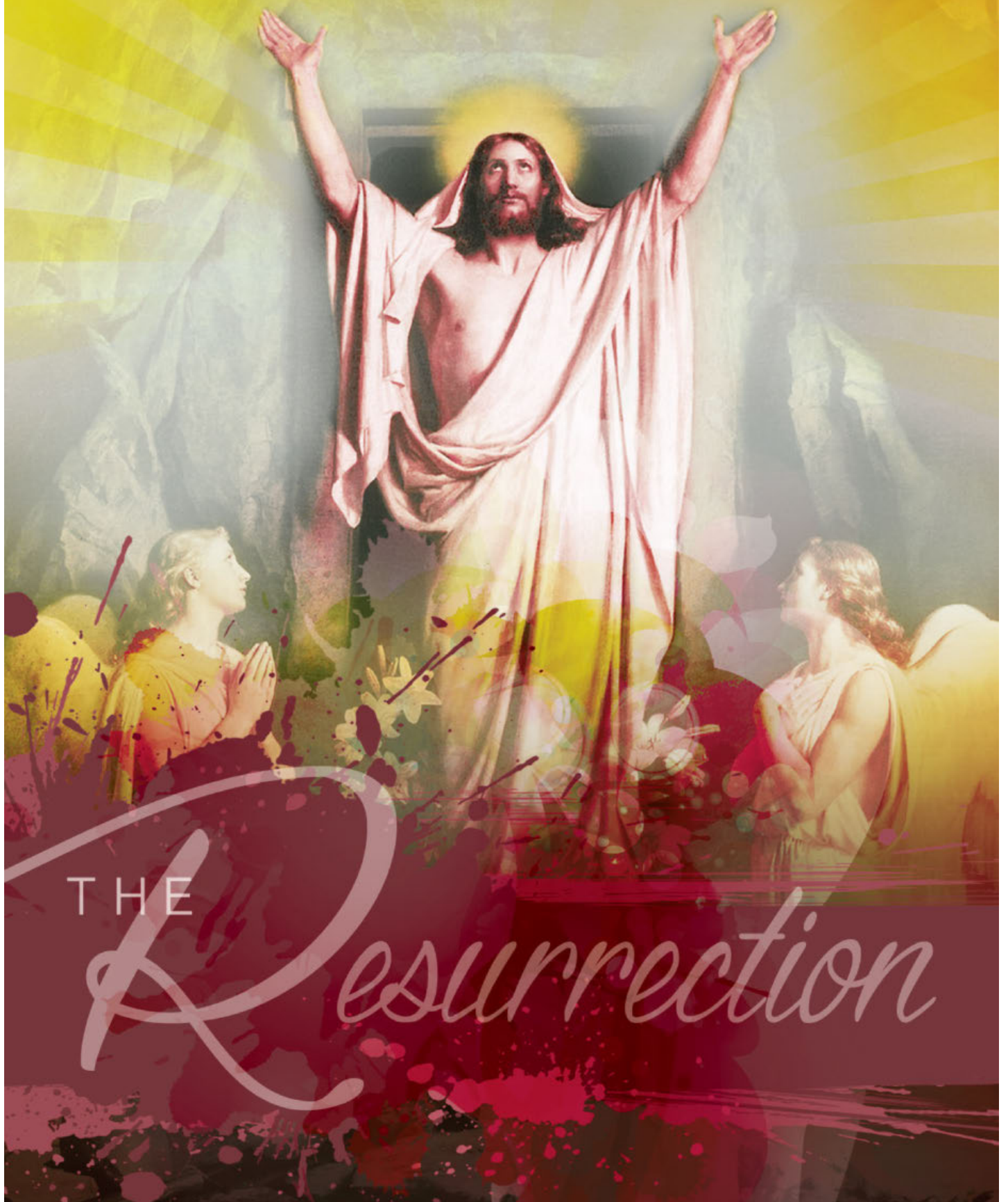


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*St. Mary, Our Lady
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April 17, 2022
Rev. James R. Rafferty, Pastor
Deacon David Drysdale*

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:15, 10:00 & 11:45 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 3:00-4:00 pm
Wednesday 6:00 pm,
First Friday 8:00 am & 6:30pm
Or by Appointment— call parish office
Baptism Class-Registration Required
Date TBD

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Wed 9-noon or by appointment

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Director of Religious Education
ljswayze@yahoo.com or 734-379-9248

St. Mary Prayer Line

stmaryprayers7@gmail.com

**St. Vincent de Paul Help Line
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Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

The International Virgin Pilgrim Statue will be on display at our local Fatima Shrine on May 1st from 5:30pm-7:30pm. The traveling statue has been all over the world bringing graces and spreading the message of Fatima. Our Lady of Fatima Shrine is located at 18637 Ray St. in Riverview. For more information, call 313-720-7887 or visit fatimashrinedetroit.org

Mass Schedule

Monday, April 18, 2022

8:30 a.m. Victor Apap+ by Joe & Mary Jane Apap

Tuesday, April 19, 2022

8:30 a.m. Bishops, priests & deacons of the AOD

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

6:30 p.m. Robert Domigan+ by Cheri Domigan
Harry Sawran+ by Corrine Callaway
James R. (Bob) Wetzel by George & Sandy Wetzel
Don Rinna+ by Jen Rice
Stanley Wawrzyniec by family

Thursday, April 21, 2022

8:30 a.m. Daniel Baum by mom

Friday, April 22, 2022

8:30 a.m. Bill Boulay+ by wife Connie

Saturday, April 23, 2022

8:30 a.m. Sr. Maria Veronica by Patrice Tay
Adelaide Galante+ by Donna Galante
Jack J. Bennett 42nd anniv by Bennett family
Karen Rinna+ and family
Jean & Walter Wojcik by family
Deceased parishioners of St. Mary

4:30 p.m. William Lukasik by Uncle Dan & Aunt Treese

Sunday, April 24, 2022

Divine Mercy Sunday

8:15 a.m. Danny Cannon 9th anniv by family

10:00 a.m. Betty Mercure+ by family

11:45 a.m. Mary Ellen Gallagher

3:00 p.m. Fr. Jim's Intentions

Please keep Alissa Drouillard and Don Tuttle III in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.



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April 21-24

4/21 Benediction	Mass	4:30 p.m.	8:15 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	3:00 p.m.
<i>John</i>	<i>Lector</i>	Janet K	Ken R	Ralph S	Robert T	Kim M
	<i>Acolyte</i>	John Pro	Jim L	Tony R	Joe C	Michael D
	<i>Servers</i>	John L	Hunter/Ryder	Needed	Sarah/	Needed

April/May 2022 Calendar

Rosary is prayed before Mass.

Information is based on submission date of bulletin and subject to change
watch the website and flocknote for updates

17 Easter 8:15, 10:00 & 11:45 am 	18 Mass 8:30am Flame of Love 9:30 a.m.	19 Mass 8:30 a.m. DoM 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Catechism 6:00 p.m.	20 Confession 6:00 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m.	21 Mass 8:30 a.m. Adoration 9:30-6:45 p.m.	22 Mass 8:30 a.m.	23 Confession 8:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.
24 Divine Mercy Sunday Mass 8:15, 10:00, 11:45, & 3:00pm Rosary & Conf. 1-3 Potluck social fol- lowing 3:00 Mass	25 Mass 8:30am Flame of Love 9:30am	26 Mass 8:30am DoM 9:30am and 6:30pm Catechism 6pm Ice Cream Social	27 Confession 6:00 p.m. Mass 6:30pm K of C Meet 7:30 p.m.	28 Mass 8:30am Adoration 9:30- 6:45pm GIFT study 7:00pm	29 Mass 8:30am GIFT study 1:00pm	30 Confession 8am & 3pm Confirmation Rehearsal 1pm Mass 8:30am & 4:30pm
1 Mass 8:15, 10:00 & 11:45am	2 Mass 8:30am Flame of Love 9:30am	3 Mass 8:30am DoM 9:30am & 6:30pm First Comm. Rehearsal 6pm	4 Confession 6:00 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m.- Confirmation w/ Bishop Battersby	5 Mass 8:30am Adoration 9:30- 6:45pm GIFT study 7:00pm	6 First Friday Confession 8:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. GIFT study 1:00pm All night Adoration →	7 Confession 8am & 3pm Mass 8:30am & 4:30pm— First Communion

Please pray for the sick

Betty Beste
James Benyo
Nancy Benyo
Kathy Brinkmeier
Bernadette Ciupak
Arlys Clegg
Karla Cobb
Ashley Collins
Mildred Costa
Olga Cronin
Noah Czajka
Diane Czajkowski
Mikey Czajkowski
Rita Davidson
Brian Dean
Patrick Eldridge
Marlene Elwell
Karen Fron
Ann Gick
Joanne Gomoll

Louise Griffiths
Andrew Hailo
Debbie Hanson
Doreen Hebert
Ken Herzog
William Kaminske
Leo Kormos
Kim Landrith
Dave (DJ) Larnar
Diane Leach
Lawrence Leach
Elizabeth Lovett
Brian McNamara
Norman Muscat
Pete Petrey
Gary Pizzini
Chuck Przybylo
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We will be using the book 33 Days
to Morning Glory by Fr. Michael E Gaitley, MIC . The books
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tional information.



GOSPEL MEDITATION
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse. People may have told us we were unwanted, that the world is frightening, that there are only some acceptable feelings you can have and others you cannot. We may have tried to love someone or struggled to figure out how and were met with rejection. Maybe we trusted someone completely and were betrayed. We come to life collecting barnacles that begin to attach to other barnacles and before you know it, we have a mass of solid matter blocking our vision and keeping us from moving. We live in fear. We are afraid of losing what we have, afraid that the future will be empty, afraid that we won't succeed and even more afraid that we will not be loved. There is so much fear. Didn't Jesus tell us not to worry and to not be afraid? Either we believe in the message of Easter, or we don't!

Go confidently into the night. Walking with God you will find the light and strength you need. Often without even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! Find a way to trust that this is true and live.

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Readings for the week of April 17, 2022

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or, Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

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Divine Mercy Sunday
April 24, 2022

On February 22, 1931, a young Polish nun, Sr. Faustina Kowalska, saw a vision of Jesus with rays of mercy streaming from the area of His Heart. He told her to have an image painted to represent this vision and to sign it, "Jesus, I trust in You!" Calling her the Apostle and secretary of His mercy, He ordered her to begin writing a diary so others would come to know and trust in Him.

In a series of revelations that followed between 1931 and 1938, He taught her that His mercy is unlimited and available even to the greatest sinners. He revealed special ways for people to respond to His mercy in their lives, and He gave her several promises for those who would trust in His mercy and show mercy to others.



By the time of Sr. Faustina's death in 1938, devotion to The Divine Mercy had already begun to spread throughout Eastern Europe. In July of 1940, Fr. Joseph Jarzebowski, a Polish Marian priest fleeing from war-torn Poland, prayed to the merciful Savior to help him escape, vowing to spend the rest of his life spreading the Divine Mercy Devotion. He arrived safely on American soil in May, 1941, and Marian communities in Detroit and Washington, D.C. were soon distributing Mercy of God materials.

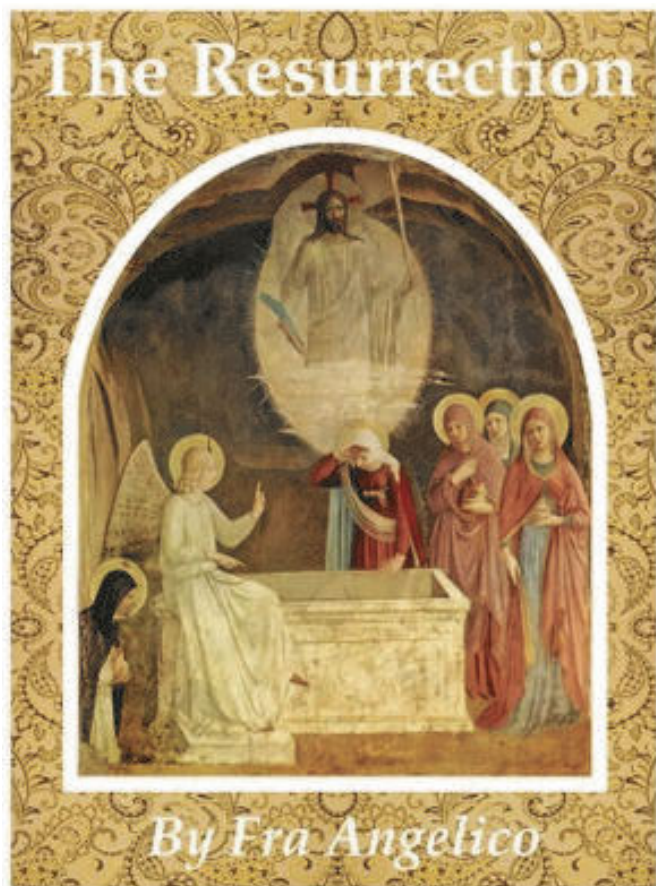
Pope John Paul II said: "Through the work of this Polish religious, this message of mercy has become linked forever to the 20th century, the last of the second millennium, and a bridge to the third.....It is a ray of light to the men and women of our time." To show the importance of this great revelation Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday following Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and all the faithful are encouraged to participate in the devotion. The devotion actually begins on Good Friday which is the first day of the Novena to Divine Mercy. Copies of the intentions for each day will soon be in the church and are available in the parish office.

The celebration at St. Mary will begin at 1:00 p.m.

- ❖ *Confessions*
- ❖ *Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy*
- ❖ *Recitation of the Holy Rosary*
- ❖ *Mass of Devotion to His Divine Mercy 3:00 p.m.*
- ❖ *Pot Luck Social after 3:00 p.m. mass*
- ❖ *Confessions resume following mass if needed*

Jesus revealed to St. Faustina an extraordinary promise that the soul that will go to confession* (if in the state of grace) and receive Holy Communion on Mercy Sunday shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. Share the gift of His Mercy with your family and friends by inviting them to this special celebration!

***confession within a reasonable time before or after is considered sufficient**



Regina Caeli

An indulgence of 10 years for each recitation for those who devoutly pray the Angelus (or during Eastertide, the Regina Caeli) at 6 am, Noon and 6 pm or as soon as possible thereafter. A plenary indulgence under the usual conditions if this devotion is practiced daily for a month.*

V. Queen of Heaven rejoice, alleluia,

R. for He Who thou didst merit to bear, alleluia,

V. hath risen as He said. Alleluia!

R. Pray for us to God. Alleluia!

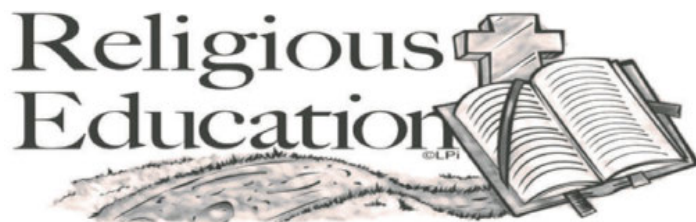
V. Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia,

R. because the Lord is truly risen. Alleluia!

Let us pray.

O God, Who by the Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has vouchsafed to make glad the whole world: grant, we beseech Thee that, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary His Mother, we may lay hold of the joys of eternal life, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

**Eastertide is from Holy Saturday until Trinity Sunday*



Calendar for 2022

We are quickly coming to the end of our catechetical year. Our family class and ice cream social is on the 26th of April. I will also have early registration for next year available. If your child has fallen behind in their faith formation, now is the time to return to our program. All grades are important!! Please contact Leslie Swayze if you have any questions. God bless.

April 19th Class **First Communion Interviews**

April 26th Ice Cream Social Family Class

April 30th **Confirmation Mass rehearsal 1pm in church**

May 3rd **First Communion rehearsal in church 6pm**

May 4th **Confirmation Mass w/ Bishop Battersby 6:30pm**
Students and sponsors to arrive by 6pm.

May 7th **First Communion Mass 4:30pm**



Knights of Columbus Can/Bottle Drive Saturday, April 23 Noon to 5:00 p.m.

Bring your clean returnables to the parish garage and the Knights will return them to support their good works.

"Yes, Christ is truly risen, and we are witnesses of this. We proclaim this witness to the world, so that the joy which is ours will reach countless other hearts, kindling in them the light of the hope which does not disappoint."
— St. John Paul II, 2000

Please Pray for Those in the Armed Forces

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