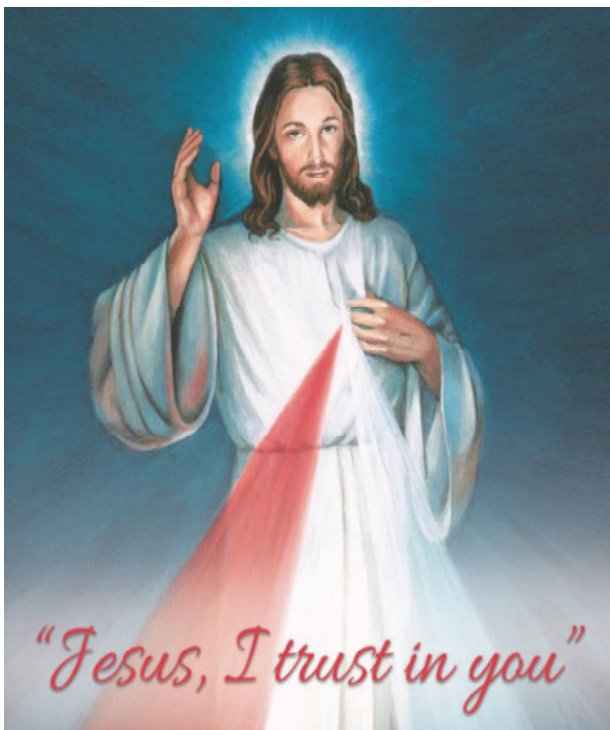


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April 24, 2022



Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when

we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

Ordinary Mass Schedule

Please look inside bulletin for possible seasonal changes.

Daily Mass:

Weds., Thurs., Fri., & Sat. 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 pm
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Holy Hour: Tuesday 6:00 pm

Sacrament of Confession:

Tuesday evenings 6:15 pm.

First Friday and Saturday of the month following morning Mass.

Every Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm.

Rosary: After each Mass

Parish Directory

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Fr. John Dumas

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MASS or BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that all Mass or Bulletin announcements must be received by the Parish Office a minimum of two weeks in advance. Thank You.

St. Aloysius

Parish Registration Complete and drop in the collection basket. We thank God for your presence here.

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone # _____

I would like to become a parishioner.

I'm from out of town. Please add me to your mailing list.

Mission Statement

St. Aloysius is a friendly parish with a sense of family. Gathered in the name of Jesus Christ to pray and worship, we serve one another with understanding and compassion. Our mission is to share, live and witness the Gospel, as we celebrate the sacraments and practice the works of Christian service, education, justice and peace. We support a vision for growth rooted in the belief that all things are possible when trusting in God.



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| Dave Buck | Retta Matt |
| Nellie Chadwick | Rob McLachlan |
| Carol Gilliland | Chuck Shonta |
| Jack Kramer | Darryl Zilka |

Father, your only Son took upon himself the sufferings and weakness of the whole human race; through his passion and cross he taught us how good can be brought out of suffering.

Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill, whom we now remember in a special way. In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Any Parishioner my add someone to the Prayer List. Please contact the Parish Office.



REQUIESCANT IN PACE:

11/1/2021 thru 10/31/2022

- Leonard Ottenbreit
 Laura Ash
 Bernard "Bernie" Roberts
 Joe Matt
 William Sovinski

And All the Faithful Departed

MEMENTO MORI



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

7:00 pm †Sylvia Dubisky req. by Walter and Dianne Zaleski

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

9:00 am Archbishop Allen Vigneron

Thursday, April 28, 2022

9:00 am Priests of the Archdiocese of Detroit

Friday, April 29, 2022

9:00 am Deacons of the Archdiocese of Detroit

Saturday, April 30, 2022

9:00 am Religious ministering within the Archdiocese of Detroit

3rd Sunday of Easter

Anticipatory Mass

5:00 pm The Parishioners of St. Aloysius Gonzaga Parish

3rd Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022

9:00 am Auxiliary Bishops of the Archdiocese of Detroit

11:00 am Fr. John Dumas



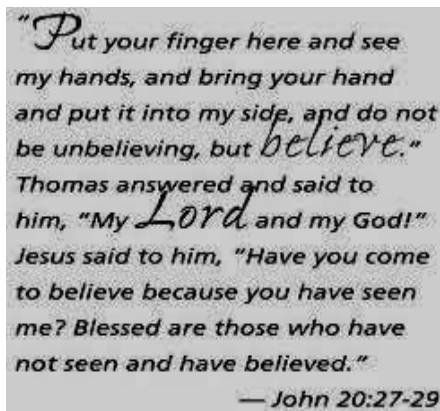
Question:

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."



Readings for the week of April 24, 2022

- Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16
 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24
 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19
 Jn 20:19-31
- Monday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14
 Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17
 Mk 16:15-20
- Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37
 Ps 93:1-2, 5
 Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26
 Ps 34:2-9
 Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33
 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20
 Jn 3:31-36
- Friday:** Acts 5:34-42
 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14
 Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7
 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19
 Jn 6:16-21
- Next Sunday:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
 Rv 5:11-14
 Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Lay Minister Schedule April 30 and May 1, 2022

- Altar Server**
 5:00 pm Pam
 9:00 am Mike
 11:00 am Barbara

- Reader**
 5:00 pm Paul
 9:00 am Donna
 11:00 am Jackford



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR
ORDINARY MOMENTS**

The World Is Watching

If you're a parent, you know this to be true: the world is watching. All it takes is one slip-up — one bad word, one selfish action, one uncharitable commentary, and that's the thing your child seems to notice.

When he or she calls you on it, the only thing you can do is come clean. "Yep, I did that," you have to say. "I'm a work in progress, but luckily, God never stops working."

I think it's fair to say that we don't think enough about the wounds of Christ. It's a little understandable, of course. Our human bodies flinch at the sight of such pain and mortification. It's a lot to handle, the physical trauma of a crucifixion. It carries an R rating in a PG world.

But the wounds of Christ are the only thing that could make Thomas believe. Literally nothing else was so powerful, not even the testimony of his most trusted friends. Only by looking at and feeling the torn flesh — by beholding that messy reality — did this Apostle, this actual companion of Christ, come to believe in the Resurrection.

"Christ has no body now but yours," goes the famous quote attributed to St. Teresa of Avila. What she's saying is that we have become the means through which God chooses to accomplish His will in the world. Us, the broken. Us, the weary. Us, the imperfect. Yes, miraculous events and apparitions still occur from time to time, but by and large, if a person is going to come to believe in Jesus Christ in this day and age, it will be because of something we Christians do or say.

Christ has no wounds now but ours. Our brokenness, our weariness, our imperfection — our reality. It all belongs to him, and the world is watching.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

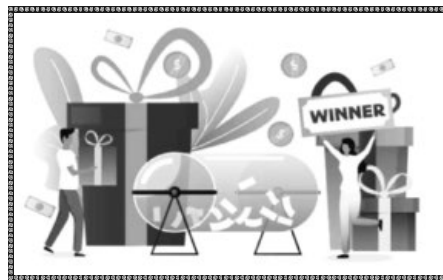


~Festival Fund Raffle News~

You have probably notice in the month of March a Festival Fund Envelope appears in your donation packet, with the opportunity to donate to this fund until September. To sweeten the pot, like with our past festival's Grand Raffle, for every \$100 donation to the Festival Fund your name is entered into a drawing to win one of three prizes: \$1,000, \$500, or \$250.

For those who are new to the parish, many years ago due to the depletion of volunteers and looking at the return on our investment of a 3-day festival, the parishioners decided to subsidize the festival fundraiser with a Festival Fund donation. This fundraiser was and still is needed to balance our budget and cover our expenses. Please help us balance this years' budget by participating in this Annual Fundraiser.

The Festival Fund drawing will take place Sunday, September 25, 2022, between Noon and 1 p.m.



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Drawing this Sunday

April 24, 2022

Noon-1:00 pm

1 Ticket will be drawn for \$250.00

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You still have many chances to win!!!*



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SWEET RELIEF FOR
ANGUISHED HEARTS,
I TRUST IN YOU."
SAINT FAUSTINA

~This Coming Week~

Rosary prayed after every Holy Mass

Monday, April 25, 2022

7:00 pm Usher's Club Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

6:00 pm Holy Hour w/Confessions

7:00 pm Holy Mass

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

9:00 am Holy Mass

9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion

7:00 pm Bible Study @ St. Stephen

Thursday, April 28, 2022

9:00 am Holy Mass

9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotion

6:00 pm Legion of Mary

Friday, April 29, 2022

9:00 am Holy Mass

Saturday, April 30, 2022

9:00 am Holy Mass

3:30-4:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Anticipatory Holy Mass

5:00 pm Mother/Son Game Night

@St. Stephen

Sunday, May 1, 2022

Coffee and Donuts after All Sunday Masses

9:00 am Holy Mass

11:00 am Holy Mass

May Crowning after 11:00 am Mass

OUR GIFTS OF LOVE

April 10, 2022

Envelopes Issued:	147
Envelopes Used:	70
Budget:	\$3,700.00
Amt. Received:	\$4,159.00

Your Continued Support is Needed and Appreciated.

For safety precautions donations can also be mailed to the parish office, at the following address:

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Online Giving Now Available

For your convenience the Archdiocese of Detroit has a new online giving program through give.aod.org.

It is quite simple, log into give.aod.org and fill in the appropriate information needed. Please make sure that you choose **St. Aloysius, Romulus** under the organization name.

Your donation will appear in our LDP savings account. Thank you in advance for supporting your church family.

The Lord's Prayer

(In Memory of Joseph and Verna Kotlarek)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours. Now and forever. Amen.

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blessed is the fruit of thy womb,
Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of
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and at the hour of death. Amen

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