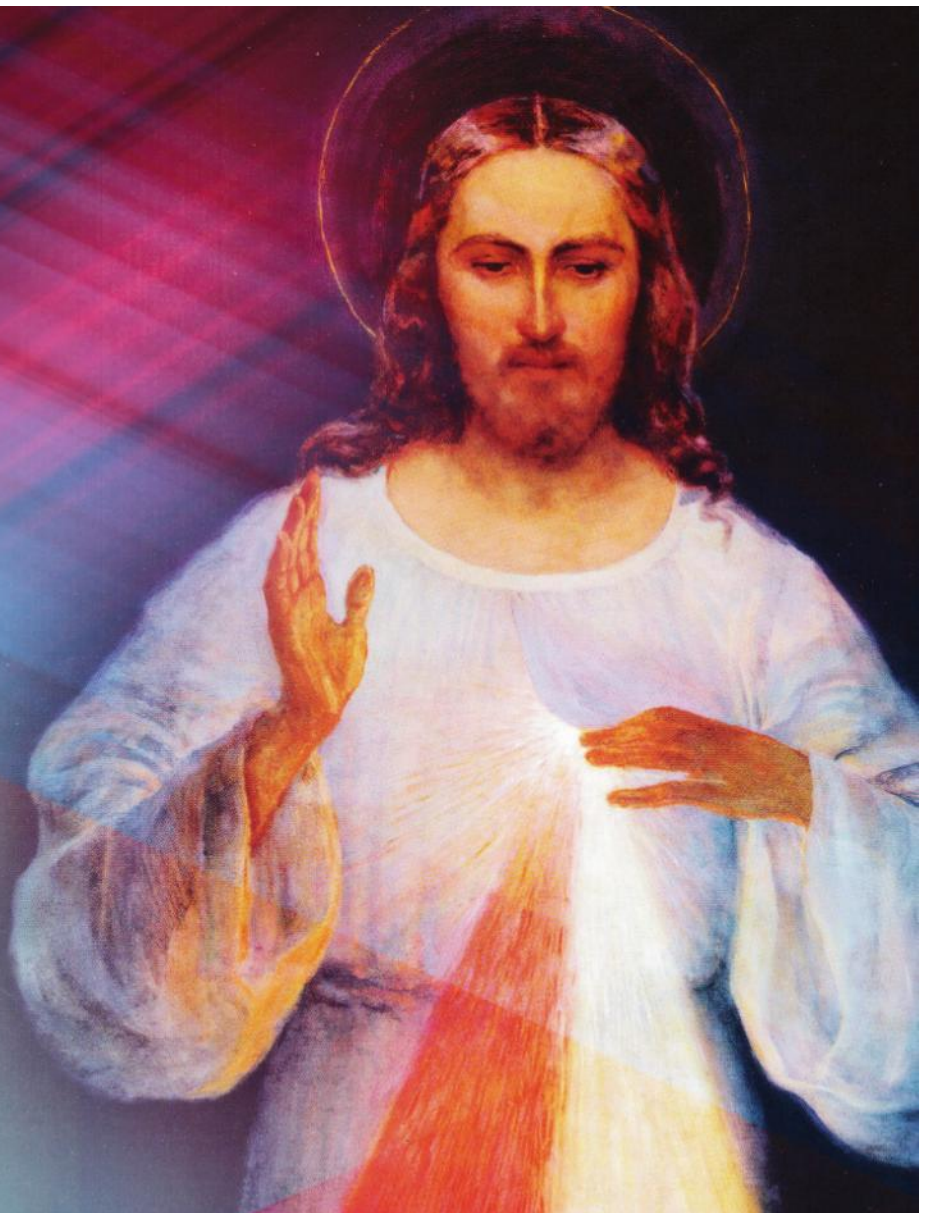




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Jesus,
I trust in You.

He who knows how to forgive prepares for himself many graces from God.

(St. Faustina's Diary, 390, page 175)



Today we conclude the Octave of Easter with the celebration of Divine Mercy. This Sunday is a special one for us, as we hear the gospel about St. Thomas refusing to believe in the resurrection until he could touch the hands of side of Jesus for himself. With, St. Thomas, let us acknowledge Jesus to be My Lord, and My God. I have included our St. Thomas Parish prayer that we use during our monthly holy hours. Since our monthly holy hour could not take place this month, I offer this prayer for us to say privately:

O God,
You have called our parish family to praise you
and to teach our children to know you and
serve you.
Grant, we pray,
by gathering together to honor the Eucharist,
like St. Thomas,
we may recognize your presence before us,
our Lord and our God,
giving witness to your merciful love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

For those reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, today concludes the nine day novena to Divine Mercy. Even if you are not familiar with this devotion, it is worth getting to know. A quick internet search for St. Faustina will provide you with references to the image of Divine Mercy: our Lord with rays coming from his heart representing the cleansing water and the sanctifying blood. You will also find information about the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which is said using a common rosary. The Chaplet can be said easily and quickly.

We have increasing good news that points to a return to our regular activities, including a return to Mass. I pray that this will happen soon. Please continue to follow our parish website, app, and blog for updates as they become available. I have posted several videos on-line which can be found through links posted on our regular parish sites.

-Msgr. Gray

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 20, 2020

7:00 a.m. Sr. Bernadette Kouri, FSJB
8:00 a.m. Remedios Tolentino/The Sarmiento Family

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

7:00 a.m. David Lynch/Greg and Margo Folley
8:00 a.m. Walter Arnold/Dave and Carol Bullock

Wednesday, April 22, 2020

7:00 a.m. Sonia Gray/Bunco Friends
8:00 a.m. Giles Keithley/Family

Thursday, April 23, 2020

7:00 a.m. Tom Frank 2nd Anniv/Bob and Susie Begner
8:00 a.m. Jim Scherer 2nd Anniv/Mary Goble

Friday, April 24, 2020

7:00 a.m. Patrick Ruhaak/Family
8:00 a.m. Smith and Hafner Families

Saturday, April 25, 2020

8:00 a.m. Jack McGinn/Mary and Aral Eaton
5:00 p.m. Thomas & Winnifred Farragher/Frances Farragher

Sunday, April 26, 2020

7:00 a.m. For the People
9:00 a.m. Nancy Kelly/John and Amy Kelly
11:00 a.m. Nancy Fifield/Doris Kling
5:00 p.m. Mike Foster/Ed Mallow

Pancake Breakfast Raffle Winners

While we were not able to have our annual Pancake Breakfast this year we thank all of you who returned your Raffle Tickets. We also thank our generous raffle donors, and the committee members who were working to prepare for the event prior to its cancellation.

Congratulations to all of our raffle winners!

1. Steve Benjamin (Hearth & Patio Gift Certificate)
2. Robert Claude (Suite for 12 at a Chiefs Game)
3. Beth Blackby (Yeti Cooler Package)
4. Richard June (Heritage Square Gift Package)
5. Juanita Corrales (Jones Bros. Gift Card)
6. Libby Koszuta (Scherer Car Detail Basket)
7. Lisa Groff (40" LED TV)
8. Joseph & Nancy Krakowiecki (Axe Throwing for Six)
9. Kathy McGee (Sherman's Gift Card)
10. Cari Connolly (A Perfect Pear Boutique Gift Certificate)
11. Yvonne Mason (Hacienda el Mirador Gift Card)
12. Stephanie Coad (Kelleher's Irish Pub & Eatery Gift Basket)

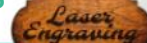
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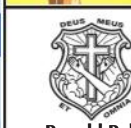

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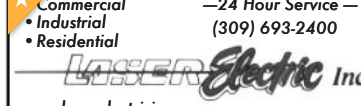

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