Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

APRIL 23, 2017 — SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY 23 DE ABRIL DE 2017 — DOMINGO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA



LITURGY SCHEDULE

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio dia

HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo......12:15 p.m (Español)Misa Diaria: ...Jueves8:30 a.m (Ingles)...Miércoles y Viernes12:00 del medio día

CONFESIONES (Sábado)..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY	APRIL 22, 2017
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass for soul of Ann Wallick
SUNDAY	APRIL 23, 2017
9:00 AM	Mass soul of Elliot Hinton
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa por el alma de Anabel Tudon
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 26, 2017
12:00 Noon	
THURSDAY	APRIL 27, 2017
8:30 AM	Mass for the soul of Neil Edgerton
FRIDAY	APRIL 28, 2017
12:00 Noon	
SATURDAY	APRIL 29, 2017
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass for soul of Francis Warthan
SUNDAY	APRIL 30, 2017
9:00 AM	Mass souls of David & Margaret Pulliam
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa por los parroquianos San Juan,
	San Pedro v San Patricio

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON



 Pray for
REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES: Keith Pinney, Doug and Edna Stanley,

Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman,

Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Martha Livingston, Deborah Shorter, Virginia Saunders, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes, Melanie Patterson, Lillan Arthur, Carole Trent, Shirley Griffey, Mary Helen Sohaski, Shirley Hughes, Thomas Whitehead, Leslie Gray, Esperanza Godinez and Barbara Greene.

Prayers for members of the Armed Forces; Daniel Gaudette, David Licciardello, Josh Drumheller, Lee Balderson, Daniel Johnson and Shon Azubike.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **April SPAGHETTI SAUCE AND NOODLES** En el mes de **abril PASTAS Y SALSA PARA PASTA**

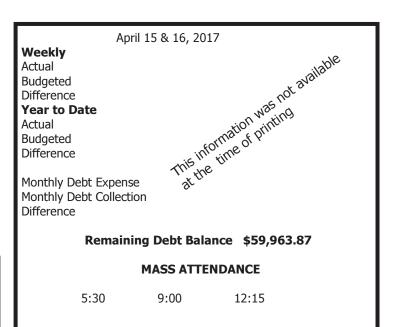


"Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:27b-29

Readings for the Week of April 23, 2017

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/ Jn 20:19-31

Monday:Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/Jn 3:1-8Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20Wednesday:Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21Thursday:Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36Friday:Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15Saturday:Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21Next Sunday:Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a very special day in the Church and very much related to Easter which we continue to celebrate.

Divine Mercy Sunday was proclaimed by Saint John Paul II and was a result of a series of visions that occurred to a young Polish nun named Faustina Kowalska. She has since been declared a saint. One of the great graces of these visions is that she kept a diary that was released to the public that we can read. It contains her personal thoughts and experiences as well as the words said to her by Jesus during the visions. The diary is called "Divine Mercy in My Soul." Here are a few wonderful quotes.

"Suffering is a great grace; through suffering the soul becomes like the Savior; in suffering love becomes crystallized; the greater the suffering, the purer the love." (57)

"The future is not mine; with all my soul I try to make use of the present moment." (351)

"Great love can change small things into great ones, and it is only love which lends value to our actions. And the purer our love becomes, the less there will be within us for the flames of suffering to feed upon, and the suffering will cease to be a suffering for us; it will become a delight! By the grace of God, I have received such a disposition of heart that I am never so happy as when I suffer for Jesus, whom I love with every beat of my heart." (140) "I will not allow myself to be so absorbed in the whirlwind of work as to forget about God." (82)

"A soul does not benefit as it should from the sacrament of confession if it is not humble. Pride keeps it in darkness. The soul neither knows how, nor is it willing, to probe with precision the depths of its own misery. It puts on a mask and avoids everything that might bring it recovery." (113)

"O my Jesus, You have tested me so many times in this short life of mine! I have come to understand so many things, and even such that now amaze me. Oh, how good it is to abandon oneself totally to God and to give Him full freedom to act in one's soul!" (134)

"He who knows how to forgive prepares for himself many graces from God. As often as I look upon the cross, so often will I forgive with all my heart." (390)

"When I see that the burden is beyond my strength, I do not consider or analyze it or probe into it, but I run like a child to the Heart of Jesus and say only one word to Him: "You can do all things." And then I keep silent, because I know that Jesus Himself will intervene in the matter, and as for me, instead of tormenting myself, I use that time to love Him." (1033)

"O Christ, if my soul had known, all at once, what it was going to have to suffer during its lifetime, it would have died of terror at the very sight; it would not have touched its lips to the cup of bitterness. But as it has been given to drink a drop at a time, it has emptied the cup to the very bottom. O Christ, if You Yourself did not support the soul, how much could it do of itself? We are strong, but with Your strength; we are holy, but with Your holiness. And of ourselves, what are we? - less than nothing..." (1655)

"Although temptations are strong, a whole wave of doubts beats against my soul, and discouragement stands by, ready to act. The Lord, however, strengthens my will, against which all attempts of the enemy are shattered as if against a rock. I see how many actual graces God grants me; these support me ceaselessly. I am very weak, and I attribute everything to the grace of God." (1086)

" 'I remind you, My daughter, that as often as you hear the clock strike the third hour, immerse yourself completely in My mercy, adoring and glorifying it; invoke its omnipotence for the whole world, and particularly for poor sinners; for at that moment mercy was open wide for every soul. In this hour you can obtain everything for yourself and for others for the asking; it was the hour of grace for the whole world – mercy triumphed over justice." (1572)

"Today the Lord said to me, 'Daughter, when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul and ennobles it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of Mercy. Tell souls that from this fount of mercy souls draw graces solely with the vessel of trust. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity. The torrent of grace inundate humble souls. The proud remain always in poverty and misery, because My grace turns away from them to humble souls." (1602) Enjoy Divine Mercy Sunday!!!

Fr Rossi

THANK YOU-GRACIAS

Thank you!!! - In addition to saying Happy Easter, I want to give everyone who helped make our Easter liturgies so reverent and beautiful a big THANK YOU!!!

We had so many from all our parish who put in extra time - cantors, musicians, singers, our awesome staff here at our parish, our lectors, our excellent and faithful catechists who prepared our newly baptized, all the folks who helped with decorations, those who took care of the outside of the church, the Council of Women, and so many more!!!

Thank you!!! My hope is that you will feel the satisfaction of a job well done for God and will help again in the future. Please!!!

Fr Rossi

LENTEN DINNER REPORT

Our Lenten Dinners once again were a great success and we could not have done it without **YOU.** We want to thank everyone who came every Friday and worked very hard behind the scenes to make each Friday better and better. There are not enough words to thank you. We are happy to announce we raised a total of **\$12,440.56**. Your Lenten Dinner Team.

REPORTE DE LAS CENAS CUARESMALES

Una vez mas nuestras cenas cuaresmales fueron todo un exito total, por supuesto no lo hubieramos logrado sin usted. Queremos agradecerle a cada uno de ustedes por todo el trabajo que realizaron. No tenemos palabras para agradcerles su ayuda. Con alegria le anunciamos que hemos recaudado **\$12.440.56**. Sinceramente, el equipo de las cenas cuaresmales.

Divine Mercy Sunday On *April 23,2017* at St Patrick *w*e will be observing Divine Mercy Sunday. This is open to all parishes. Staring *at 2:00 pm* we will have a short video about the origin of Divine Mercy Sunday and the gift of Plenary Indulgence. This will be followed by a Divine Mercy Prayer Service at *3:00 pm*.. Jesus made a promise about the Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday), that the soul that would go to Confession (within 20 days before) and receive Holy Communion on that feast day would "obtain the complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary 699). **Confession available at 2:00 pm**.