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Rectory Hours:

Monday to Thursday: 9:30am- 12pm & 1pm- 8pm
Friday: 9:30am- 12pm & 1pm- 7pm
Saturday: 9:30am- 5pm

Religious Ed. Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday: 1pm to 5pm
Tuesday & Thursday: 5pm to 8pm (Appt. Preferred)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00pm in English
Sunday: 8:30am in English
10:00am & 11:30am in Spanish
1:00pm in Polish

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am in English
Wednesday & Friday: 7pm in Spanish

First Friday Mass & Devotion

In English: Mass at 8:30am: Devotion from 9am to 6:45pm
In Spanish: Mass at 7pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 4:00pm - 4:45pm & by appointment: call parish office

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants

In English: Second Saturday of the Month
In Spanish: Third Saturday of the Month
Registrations must be made in the Rectory Office at least two months in advance.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must be made at least six months to a year with one of the Priests.



Dear Padre April 7, 2024

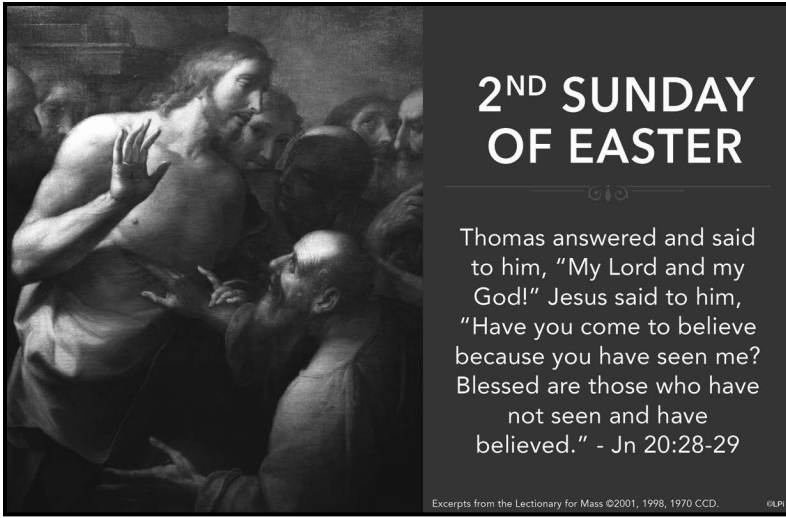
What is Divine Mercy Sunday?

Pope John Paul II declared Sr. Faustina Kowalska a saint of the Church on April 30, 2000, and in a decree dated May 23, 2000, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments stated that "throughout the world the Second Sunday of Easter will receive the name Divine Mercy Sunday, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that [we] will experience in the years to come."

Saint Faustina was born in 1905 and spent most of her life in Poland, in the Congregation of the Virgin Mary of Mercy. She experienced an extraordinary union with God. She received exceptional graces, revelations, visions, hidden stigmata, the ability to read souls, and the gift of prophecy.

One of the images that was revealed to Faustina was that of the merciful Jesus, touching his Sacred Heart, from which beams of red and white light came forth. This image and her devotion to the divine mercies gathered thousands of supporters throughout the world. We still see the traditional image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in many of our churches today. In some churches, we might see the newer image, inspired by the saint. Saint Faustina Kowalska died in 1938 at the age of thirty-three, leaving an impressive mystical legacy. She is a disciple of God's divine mercy for the twenty-first century. ●

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 20:28-29

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 31th

- 8:30am For the People of the Parish
 10:00am For the People of the Parish
 11:30am Leonila Diaz– Hija
 +Angel & Demetrio Bonilla– Hermano
 1:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Monday, April 1st

- 8:30am The Annunciation of the Lord

Tuesday, April 2nd

- 8:30am +Peter & Carol Gentile

Wednesday, April 3rd

- 8:30am Blessings for Javier Rodriguez– Parents
 7:00pm For All the Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, April 4th

- 8:30am +Stephanie Donlon– Avicolli Family

Friday, April 5th

- 8:30am +Leo Lombardo
 7:00pm Special Intentions

Saturday, April 6th

- 8:30am Birthday Blessings for Catherin Quizhpi
 5:00pm For the Recently Deceased

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. (Acts 4:32)

Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118)
 Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. (1 Jn 5:3-4)

Gospel:

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." (Jn 20:19)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

We find unfathomable mercy and everlasting love in the wounds of Christ — even when we are skeptical, even when we carry doubt. God meets us there in the confusion. He reaches for our hand and places them at his side. We just have to call his name.

Observances for the week April 7, 2024

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)
Monday: The Annunciation of the Lord
Thursday: St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr
Saturday: St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Dominica LaLima and for all the deceased in our Parish & their loved ones.

FOR THE SICK:

For all the sick in our Parish.

Please call the Rectory at 718.436.5917 to place your loved ones on the Deceased or Sick list.

WEEKLY OFFERING

March 28: \$ TBA
March 29: \$ TBA
March 30: \$ TBA
March 31: \$ TBA

Thank you for your love and generosity towards God & your parish!

7 de abril de 2024

2º Domingo de Pascua (La Divina Misericordia)

¿Sabías qué? el segundo domingo del Tiempo Pascual fue designado “Domingo de la Divina Misericordia” por el Papa Juan Pablo II, en el año 2,000 durante la canonización de santa Faustina Kowalska. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en su número 1225, ilumina y catequiza lo que el Papa y santa Faustina nos transmitieron al experimentar la misericordia divina en sus vidas. “En su Pascua, Cristo abrió a todos los hombres las fuentes del Bautismo. En efecto, había hablado ya de su pasión que iba a sufrir en Jerusalén como de un Bautismo con que debía ser bautizado. La sangre y el agua que brotaron del costado traspasado de Jesús crucificado son figuras del Bautismo y de la Eucaristía, sacramentos de la vida nueva: desde entonces, es posible nacer del agua y del Espíritu para entrar en el Reino de Dios”. Santa Faustina al pintar el retrato del Señor de la Misericordia nos muestra esta imagen de la misericordia de Cristo Crucificado dada a nosotros por el Bautismo y la Eucaristía.

El Papa Francisco, también, nos lo explica de la siguiente manera: “La misericordia a la luz de la Pascua se deja percibir como una verdadera forma de conocimiento. Se conoce a través de los sentidos, se conoce a través de la intuición, a través de la razón y aún de otras formas. Bien, se puede conocer también a través de la experiencia de la misericordia, porque la misericordia abre la puerta de la mente para comprender mejor el misterio de Dios y de nuestra experiencia personal (16 de abril del 2023).



Venta de Comida

Domingo, 14 de abril

Después de las Misas de español los grupos de la iglesia venderán comida para recaudar fondos.

Los fondos recaudados apoyaran a la Iglesia y las actividades de los Grupos Parroquiales

Registración a la Parroquia

Nuestra parroquia tiene el estatus de Parroquia Personal, lo que significa que solo la persona que declara su voluntad de pertenecer a la parroquia es considerado un feligrés.

Todos los domingos, la participación en misas, o el hecho de vivir en la parroquia no es sinónimo de pertenecer a ella.

Además, el hecho de que alguien en nuestra parroquia haya participado en las enseñanzas prematrimoniales, se casó o bautizó a un niño no significa pertenecer automáticamente a la parroquia, porque en nuestra comunidad hay bodas y bautizos de personas de fuera de la parroquia.

Cada feligrés puede recibir varios certificados por medio de Registrarse a una comunidad determinada y organizar todos los trámites relacionados con los sacramentos, por ejemplo:

- El bautismo o el Sacramento del matrimonio.
- Recibir certificados para ser padrino/a de confirmación o testigo/a de boda.
- También pueden recibir permiso para ser bautizados o bautizar a su propio hijo/a en otra parroquia (por ejemplo, en sus respectivos Países)
- Permiso para casarse en otra parroquia.

Para poder recibir los formularios de registro parroquial favor de visitar la rectoría.

Ministerio de Servidores del Altar de Sta. Catalina de Alejandria

Nos gustaría invitar a sus hijos a convertirse en Servidores del Altar en la parroquia. Espero que los animen y les permitan unirse a este servicio. Tomará su tiempo y su compromiso. Sin embargo, será una manera hermosa para que sus hijos expresen su participación activa en la vida de la Iglesia y aprendan a ser responsables.

Las nuevas prácticas de Servidores del Altar se llevarán a cabo de 5pm a 7pm.

May 7

May 14

May 21

May 28

Considere esta invitación y únanse a nosotros. Si usted y sus hijos tienen alguna pregunta, comuníquense con la Rectoría al (718) 436-5917.





April 7, 2024

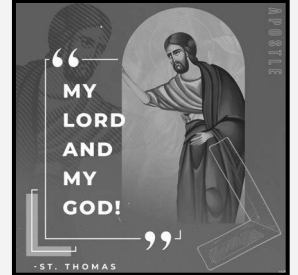
2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

A protestant pastor friend of mine was invited to meet Pope Francis with a group of other pastors. He noticed the Pope's chair was especially ornate and set at the head of the group. He somewhat playfully said, "Holy Father, why do you get that special chair?" The group chuckled nervously at my friend's audacious chide.

The following year, the group was invited to return. They entered the room to find only simple chairs placed in a circle. Pope Francis entered, sat down in one of the humble chairs and, looking directly at my friend, with a twinkle in his eye, asked, "What do you think of my chair now?" My friend was stunned that the Pope remembered his concerns — and took the time to answer them.

Thomas the apostle was certainly stunned by the Risen Jesus displaying his wounds in person. But he also must have been equally shocked that Jesus knew and answered his particular questions, worries, and even demands related to his faith. How humbled — and perhaps a bit terrified — he must have been to realize God remembers his concerns and cares enough to answer them.

What questions or demands about Jesus do you find in your heart? Like Thomas, will you be bold enough to voice them this week? How wonderful to know that if we do so, God will remember and respond even to our most audacious desires.



Food Sale

Sunday, April 14

After Spanish Masses parish groups will sell food to raise funds.

The funds raised will support the Church and the activities of the parish groups

St. Catharine of Alexandria's

Altar Server Ministry

We would like to invite your children to become Altar Servers in the Parish. I hope you encourage and allow to them to join in this service. It will take their time and your commitment. However, it will be a beautiful way for your children to express their active participation in the life of the Church and learn how to become responsible.

New Altar Server Practices will be held every Tuesday in May from 5pm to 7pm.

May 7

May 14

May 21

May 28

Please consider this invitation and join us. If you and your children have any questions, please get in touch with the Rectory at (718) 436-5917.



Parish Registration

Our parish has the status of a Personal Parish, which means that only the person who declares their will to belong to the parish is considered a parishioner.

Every Sunday, participation in masses, or the fact of living in the parish is not synonymous with belonging to it.

In addition, the fact that someone in our parish has participated in the premarital teachings, married or baptized a child does not mean automatically belonging to the parish, because in our community there are weddings and baptisms of people outside the parish.

Each parishioner can receive several certificates by Registering to a particular community and organizing all the procedures related to the sacraments, for example:

- Baptism or the Sacrament of Marriage
- Receive certificates to be a confirmation sponsor or wedding witness.
- They may also receive permission to be baptized or baptize their own child in another parish (for example, in their respective Countries)
- Permission to marry in another parish.

In order to receive the parish registration forms, please visit the rectory.

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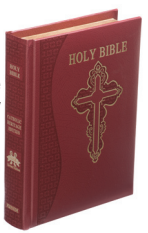
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