

# THE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

# RESPONSORIAL PSALM: "The Lord's mercy endures forever"



In today's Gospel, Jesus greets His disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions His disciples to continue the work that He has begun; as Jesus was sent by God, so He too sends His disciples. He gives His disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they will be able to accomplish this task. Jesus' words to His disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share forgiveness and reconciliation with others. Thomas, the doubting disciple in today's reading, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of witnesses to Jesus. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to His disciples. Our human nature seeks hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to His disciples after His death is indeed the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative in obtaining this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed, for we have not seen and yet believe.

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



Today, the Second Sunday of Easter is celebrated as the Divine Mercy Sunday. In the apparitions to the saint Sister Faustina Kowalska, Jesus instructed her: "I desire that this feast be celebrated on the second Sunday of Easter... I desire that this Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, above all for poor sinners... on this day the doors of Divine Mercy through which graces flow, are opened wide, ... I will pour out a sea of graces to all who come close to the source of my mercy.." May today's feast and words of our Lord to St.

Faustina encourage us to seeek Divine Mercy and to spread this devotion by our personal entrustment to Jesus most Merciful.

# Solemn Act of entrustment of the World to <u>Divine Mercy</u>

"God, merciful Father, in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have revealed your love and poured it out upon us in the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, We entrust to you today the destiny of the world and of every man and woman. Bend down to us sinners, heal our weakness, conquer all evil, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may experience your mercy. In You, the Triune God, may they ever find the source of hope. Eternal Father, by the Passion and Resurrection of your Son, have mercy on us and upon the whole world! Amen."

John Paul II, Cracow-Lagiewniki, 17.08.2002

# ST. JOHN PAUL II DAY

April 7th – the Devine Mercy Sunday – 12:30pm thanksgiving Mass for St. John Paul II. After the Mass prayer and Raising of the Flag Ceremony at John Paul II Square in front of the church.

### **FATIMA DEVOTION**



**On Tuesday, February 13** after the 6:00pm Mass, we invite you to the Fatima Devotion. Intentions can be submitted in person or by phone or online to the parish office.

#### DEATH NOTICE

Last week we bid farewell to:

† Jan Grzejszczak

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

We would like to extend our prayerful condolences to his Family and friends. You are all in our prayers

# . SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Through the sacrament of Baptism, we welcome into the Church



# Faustyna Stasiowski Oliver Charles Nolan

We wish the parents and godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of Our Lady of Ludźmierz for every day.

#### BAPTISM OF POLAND – APRIL 14, 966

On Sunday, April 14 we will celebrate Day of the Baptism of Poland, which, established by the Parliament of the Republic of Poland in 2019, is to commemorate the date of the birth of the Polish State on April 14, 966. We encourage all celebrate this special day by hanging out the state flags. This is one of the most important dates in the history of Poland, prompting reflection on the strengthening of the position of the Polish state in the Christian tradition, which is the cradle of European civilization.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION

"Take the road less travelled" – take the first step to building an intimate relationship with Jesus... Come and spend time with our Lord present in the

Blessed Sacrament Reserved in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel. We ask all those who have not yet signed up for an hour with our Lord who is Love by calling Beata Konieczna at:(905) 878-7407 or (647) 403-7407.

# ShareLife 2024



The dates of future collections: April 28 and June 2nd.

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for

our parish's annual campaign. Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to

homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you who choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity. Information about the methods of payment can be found on slife@archtoronto.org or tel. 416-934-3411

#### CORE PRO-LIFE RESPONSE

Pro-Life position on important life issues from a scientific and human rights perspective. Saturday April 13, 2024 from 10:00am till 2:30 pm at St. Mary's Parish Brampton. https://trtl.ca/youth-conference/ Saturday June 8, 2024 at St. Paul Basilica in Toronto. https:/trtl.ca/events/agm/. Free event / lunch provided.

#### POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS - APRIL

For The Role Of Women - Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

#### **QUO VADIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Quo Vadis Elementary School offering a fully bilingual Polish-English daily program invites you to an Open House on Friday, April 12 from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at 4258 Bloor St. W, Etobicoke. We are accepting registrations of new students for the 2024/25 school year. www.quovadisschool.ca For more information: admissions@quovadisschool.ca or call (647)493-5033

#### **MEETINGS**

Youth Group (ages 19 - 35) – Mondays, 8:00pm Youth Group (grades 8 - 12) – Fridays 8:00pm Baptismal Preparation – there will be no meeting in March

#### **OUR THANKS AND GRATITUDE**

Garden – Palczewski Family, J. Grochowski

Church - T. Kopacz, R. Polowczyk, A. Skalski, E. Paniak

Church Cleaning - Families: Kaszkur, Gronau, Kus, Homa, Majkrzak, and B. Sarkowicz, M. Żbikowska, B. Szmudrowska, A. Dusza, F. Szapiel, P. Krsek, B. Mikula, E. Klepacki, M. L. Kulawiak, B. Szmudrowska, R. Jasek, F. Szapiel, M. Matkowski, E. Klepacki, P. Krsek, F. Dusza, B. Mikuła, M. Dworzak,

Businesses - EuroMax Foods, Price Chop Cleaners, for constant help in supporting our parish.

# MASS INTENTIONS CELEBRATED BY OBLATES

We accept intentions for Masses that will be celebrated by Missionaries in various countries around the world. This is one of the forms of supporting the Missionary Oblates in their ministry. Those interested are asked to contact the parish office.

#### **Gregorian Mass April**

- † Jozef Konieczny daughter with family
- † Kazimiera Derewecka daughter with family

#### **OFFERINGS**

Holy Land	\$9,216.00
Easter	\$33,132.00
Repayment of Loan	

#### May God reward your generosity.

# NEXT SUNDAY - The Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts. 4.32 - 35

**Responsorial Psalm:** 118. 2 - 4,16-18,22-24

**Second Reading:** 1. J .5. 1 - 6 **Gospel:** J 20. 19 – 32

#### MASS INTENTIONS AND DEVOTIONS

## SATURDAY, April 6

8:30 – For all members of the Rosary Society

17:00 - † Kazimierz Moro - son with family

18:30 – † Jan, Wladyslaw & Marianna Martychewicz - family

#### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 7

8:00 - For all those entered into the Perpetual Mass Book

9:15 - Chaplet of the Divine Mercy in English

9:30 - †Janina and Ryszard Longa - daughter with family

11:00 – 1. †Jan Paczkowski – daughter with family

2. In thanksgiving for grace of health asking for further blessings for Dariusz Wiekiera

#### 12:15 - Chaplet of the Divine Mercy in Polish

12:30-1. For all parishioners and benefactors

2. In thanksgiving for the life of St. John Paul II for Poland, Church and the World

15:00 - Novena to the Devine Mercy

18:00 - For health for Magda

#### MONDAY, April 8

8:30 – For health and God's blessings for Teresa and her family – Teresa Owsicka

19:00 - † Stanislaw Koupa and †Zbigniew Osipiuk - Walaszek Family

## TUESDAY, April 9

8:30 – For all Souls suffering in purgatory

19:00 - Anna and Antoni Robak - granddaughter

Devotion to St. Jude Thaddeus

# WEDNESDAY, April 10

8:30 - † Alojzy, Helena and Stanislaw Slowiak

19:00 - Our Lady of Ludzmierz Devotion

- Mass with group intentions

# THURSDAY, April 11

8:30 - † Krystyna and Stefan Placha - daughter in law

19:00 - For all the departed from the Janik family

#### FRIDAY, April 12

8:30 – † Franciszka and Michal Wojcik and all the departed from the Wojciek family - Anna

19:00 – 1. † Katarzyna and Franciszek Zelek – daughter Irena with Family

2. † Antoni Cwalinski on the 11th anniversary of death – wife with children

# SATURDAY, April 13

8:30 - † Jan Sadowski – daughters with family

17:00 - 1. † Maria Wator on the 6th anniversary of death - husband with family

> 2. † Eugeniusz Jagiello on the 8th anniversary of death – Daughter with family

18:30 - † Carmine Metallo- family

#### SUNDAY, April 7

8:00 - † Marian Sudol and all the departed from the Sudol and Babiarz family - family

9:15 - Chaplet of the Divine Mercy in English

9:30 - For all parishioners and benefactors

11:00 - † Maria Kopacz - daughter with family

12:15 – Chaplet of the Divine Mercy in Polish

12:30 - † Leokadia and Franciszek Czarnowski and all the departed from the Koziatek and Czarnowski family - family

18:00 - † Jan Staszkiewicz – wife with children and grandchildren