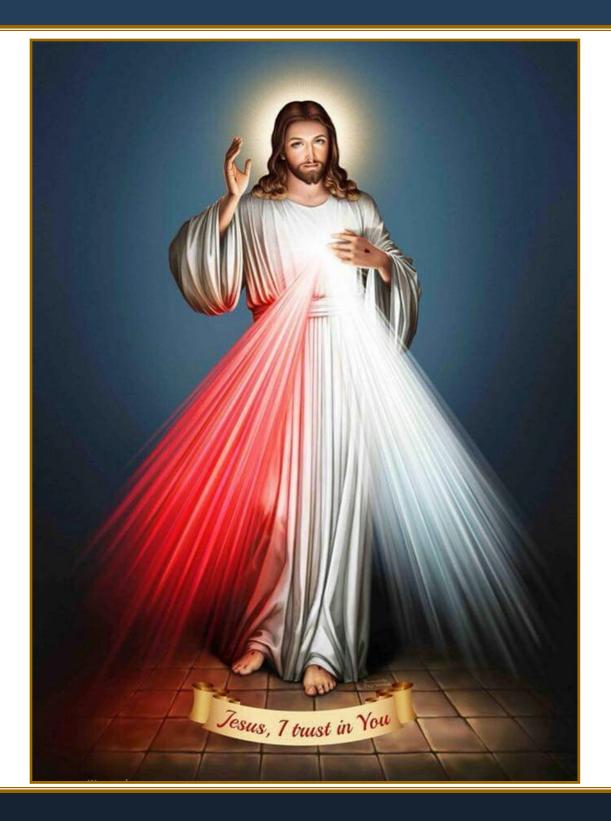
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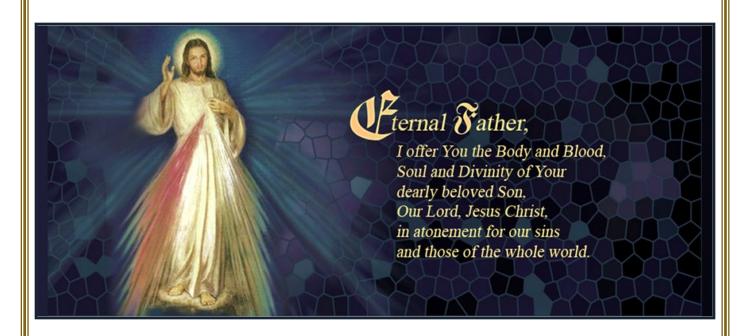
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SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

- 4:00 PM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Medical and Healthcare Professionals, Caregivers, and those facing quarantine, by Pastor
- **4:00 PM Josephine Harb 40 Day Remembrance,** by Children, Jano, Eliana and Joe and their Families
- 4:00 PM Tony Thomas, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Easter Flower Memorials, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Anthony & Helen Cichowlas Wedding Anniversary Remembrance, by Wife, Son-In-Law, Fred Francis
- **4:00 PM John Cafagna, Sr. Birthday Remembrance,** by Wife, Ann and their Sons
- **4:00 PM** Jerry Cafagna Birthday Remembrance, by Mother, Ann and his Brothers
- 4:00 PM Michael and Catherine Joseph, by Mary Medley
- 4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the Shaker Family Easter Remembrance, by Family
- 4:00 PM Joseph Aesy 99th Birthday Remembrance, by Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

- 9:30 AM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Medical and Healthcare Professionals, Caregivers, and those facing quarantine, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM Living and Deceased Parishioners, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Maroun Hakim Remembrance, by Wife, Lidy & Children
- 9:30 AM— Easter Flower Memorials, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Medical and Healthcare Professionals, Caregivers, and those facing quarantine, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Parishioners, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Deacon John and Bobbi Sfire Family Easter Remembrance, by Pastor
- **11:30 AM Ramez Harb 10 Year Remembrance,** by Children, Jano, Eliana and Joe and their Families
- 11:30 AM— Anthony Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 21ST

PRIVATE MASS

12:00 PM— Easter Flower Memorials, by Pastor

12:00 PM— Louis Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND

PRIVATE MASS

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL HEALING MASS & PRAYERS

7:00 PM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Medical and Healthcare Professionals, Caregivers, and those facing quarantine, by Pastor

THURSDAY, APRIL 23RD

PRIVATE MASS

12:00 PM— Easter Flower Memorials, by Pastor

12:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family

MASS INTENTIONS CONTINUED ON PAGE 3 ...



SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH

4:00 PM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Medical and Healthcare Professionals, Caregivers, and those facing quarantine, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Easter Flower Memorials, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Emily Michael, by Terry Mahoney and Family

4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families, by Joe and Terry Shaker

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH

9:30 AM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Medical and Healthcare Professionals, Caregivers, and those facing quarantine, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Easter Flower Memorials, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Michael Jacobs Birthday Remembrance, by Rose Ann Jacobs

9:30 AM—Lucy Shaheen 12 Year Remembrance, by Goddaughter, Linda Thomas

9:30 AM— Backos Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

9:30 AM — Maroun Hakim, by Pastor

11:30 AM— For the Sick and Dving, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Medical and Healthcare Professionals, Caregivers, and those facing quarantine, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Easter Flower Memorials, by Pastor

11:30 AM — Josephine Harb, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Tony Nofar, by Ambassador Gaby and Nadette Issa

11:30 AM - Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker Easter Remembrance, by Family

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In Memory of George Mabarak by Koshaya & Therese Sfeir

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In Memory of Frederick & Elizabeth Francis by Fredericka Smith

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In Memory of Living & Deceased Members of the Sam Family by George Sam

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In Memory of the Deceased Members of the Thomas Family by Ed and Isabelle Thomas

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In Memory of the Deceased Members of the Daniel Family by Ed and Isabelle Thomas

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In Memory of Mark Werner by Denise Werner

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UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

April 18 Divine Mercy Mass Live Stream 4 PM

April 22 Family of Saint Sharbel Healing Mass 7 PM

May 8 Birth of Saint Sharbel Mass at 7 PM

To be determined First Communion Mass 10:30 AM September 26 St. Sharbel Gala at Palazzo Grande

COLLEGE STUDENT ARTICLE

Dear St. Sharbel Parishioners,

Just five weeks ago, I was in Ann Arbor, surrounded by friends, teachers, and classmates, living an ordinary life like many of you all. Friendly faces I'd never know the names of passed me by as I walked into my Statistics 250 lab. Laughter and chatter filled the hallways of Mason Hall, a building at the University of Michigan. Students filled the Diag (the central part of campus), bustling in and out of libraries, buildings, and classes. None of us realized this would be one of the last days we'd spend on campus during the winter semester. It was Wednesday and news of COVID-19 was spreading almost as quickly as the virus itself; my best friend from Michigan State texted me saying they moved online. It was all a matter of time until we would, too.

I never anticipated I'd live through a virus turned epidemic turned pandemic, and I'll never forget the look on my parents' faces when I moved back home for good that Friday—one of sadness and fear, one of "The world hasn't been this wrong since 9/11." I remember texting my friends, saying this would all be over soon, and we'd probably be back on campus for finals. None of us thought the virus would escalate to this point.

Being away from college, from my friends, and from the church has been difficult. I've struggled to find peace in this tumultuous time, surrounded by death and suffering. Having my freshman year end so early and suddenly was difficult; it didn't feel fair. But I realize now that was a selfish view. I hear stories of the hospital from my father, a vascular surgeon, who's lost patients to COVID-19. Stories of rows of people on ventilators, of patients coding (going into arrest) in the hospital, and of futile attempts to save them. It seems like at every turn there's only misery through sickness, unemployment, and isolation. However, it is in these times that I must put my trust in God; in difficult times, He is the one who can grant mercy and healing. And I know in my heart that "normal" life will continue, no matter how uncertain it seems right now.

Blessings to all, Hailey Rizk



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Jesus Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Suffering and death cannot keep our Lord from loving us and drawing us into His love for eternity. The light of Christ has conquered the darkness, and our Lord desires to shine upon us now and forever!

On that first Sunday after Easter Sunday, St. Thomas experienced Christ's presence and witnessed the marks of God's love. His doubt was overcome with belief and he cried out:

"My Lord and my God!"

Let us continue to be aware of Christ's presence and mercy given to us through the sacraments. Especially during this time when we are not able to receive our Lord in the blessed sacrament of the Eucharist, may our desire and hunger for Him grow even stronger, as well as our devotion and love for Him. Remember to draw near to our Lord, especially by making a spiritual communion, until we are able to receive the Eucharist in person again.

Today we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. The message of Divine Mercy is simple: God loves us – all of us! And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

Let us continue to remember one another in prayer. Know of my prayers for you and for your loved ones. I especially remember in my prayers all who work in healthcare and those who are suffering from the coronavirus. I pray for you at my daily offering of the sacrifice of the Mass.

SPECIAL REQUEST!

I have a request for each family. Will you please send to me a picture of yourself / your family so that I can place them on the seats that you normally sit in when attending Mass each weekend? This way, when I celebrate the Mass in the empty church, I will be able to visualize you there with me! Please email to stsharbelmichigan@gmail.com or mail to our office address.

May the Lord bless you and protect you always.

On behalf of Deacon Mike and myself, I wish all of you a very Blessed Easter Season and Divine Mercy Sunday!

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy, is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread. On June 29, 2002, the Apostolic Penitentiary of the Holy See promulgated a decree creating new indulgences that may be gained by the faithful in connection with the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. This decree grants a plenary indulgence to those who comply with all the conditions established, and a partial indulgence to those who incompletely fulfill the conditions. It is allowed for one to go to Confession up to 20 days, before or after Divine Mercy Sunday and still receive the indulgences.

~Worship Commission

17 THINGS JESUS REVEALED TO ST. FAUSTINA ABOUT DIVINE MERCY

Divine Mercy Sunday is the perfect day to start listening to what Jesus himself tells us!

As a person, as a country, as a world, do we not need God's mercy more and more in these times? For the sake of our souls, can we afford not to listen to what Jesus told us through St. Faustina about his mercy and what our response to is should be? Benedict told us "It is a really central message for our time: Mercy as the force of God, as the divine limit against the evil of the world"

Let's remind ourselves right now. Or learn the highlights for the first time. Divine Mercy Sunday is the perfect day to start listening to what Jesus himself tells us:

- (1) I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. *Diary* 699
- (2) Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy. Diary 300
- (3) Let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice. *Diary* 848
- (4) He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice... Diary 1146
- (5) Souls perish in spite of My bitter Passion. I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy. If they will not adore My mercy, they will perish for all eternity. *Diary* 965
- (6) My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy. *Diary* 367
- (7) These rays shield souls from the wrath of My Father. Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him. I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy. Diary 299
- (8) ... the greater the misery of a soul, the greater its right to My mercy; [urge] all souls to trust in the unfathomable abyss of My mercy, because I want to save them all. *Diary* 1182
- (9) The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy. My mercy is confirmed in every work of My hands. He who trusts in My mercy will not perish, for all his affairs are Mine, and his enemies will be shattered at the base of My footstool. *Diary* 723
- (10) [Let] the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right before others to trust in the abyss of My mercy. My daughter, write about My mercy towards tormented souls. Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I justify him in My unfathomable and inscrutable mercy. *Diary* 1146
- (11) I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy. *Diary* 1109
- (12) I desire trust from My creatures. Encourage souls to place great trust in My fathomless mercy. Let the weak, sinful soul have no fear to approach Me, for even if it had more sins than there are grains of sand in the world, all would be drowned in the immeasurable depths of My mercy. *Diary* 1059
- (13) I demand the worship of My mercy through the solemn celebration of the Feast and through the veneration of the image which is painted. By means of this image I shall grant many graces to souls. It is to be a reminder of the demands of My mercy, because even the strongest faith is of no avail without works. *Diary* 742
- (14) Tell [all people], My daughter, that I am Love and Mercy itself. When a soul approaches Me with trust, I fill it with such an abundance of graces that it cannot contain them within itself, but radiates them to other souls. Jesus, *Diary* 1074
- (15) I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in You." *Diary* 327
- (16) I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory. Jesus, *Diary* 48
- (17) Souls who spread the honor of My mercy I shield through their entire lives as a tender mother her infant, and at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Savior. At that last hour, a soul has nothing with which to defend itself except My mercy. Happy is the soul that during its lifetime immersed itself in the Fountain of Mercy, because justice will have no hold on it. *Diary* 1075



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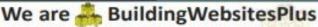
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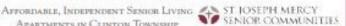
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