

The Feast of Divine Mercy

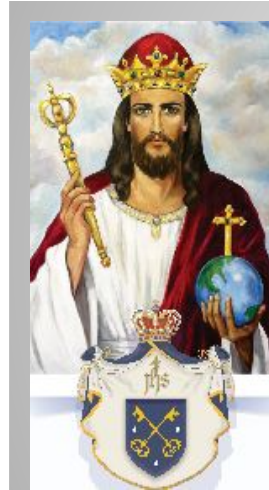
This feast was instituted by John Paul II through the Congregation for Divine Worship on May 23rd, 2000. Our Lord spoke to St. Faustina: *My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. 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 graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.*

This is from Fr. Ignacy Rozycki, S.T.D., Polish Dominican Thomistic Theologian; who wrote the 500 page analysis (most in depth written to date) on the graces received on the feast of Divine Mercy, part of the official investigation into St. Faustina's Life and Virtue by the Congregation for the Cause of Saints.

"The most exceptional grace promised by Jesus for the feast of Divine Mercy is something considerably greater than a plenary indulgence. The exceptional grace of the communion on Divine Mercy Sunday is also greater than the graces of the other sacraments with the exception of the sacrament of Baptism. For the remission of all sins and punishment is found only in the sacramental grace of baptism. In the promises cited Christ tied the remission of all sins and punishment to the reception of Holy Communion on the Feast of Divine Mercy. In other words, in this regard, He raised it to the rank of a second Baptism. It is obvious that in order to effect the complete forgiveness of sins and punishment, the Holy Communion received on the Feast of Divine Mercy must not only be partaken of worthily (i.e. in the state of grace), but it must also fulfill the basic requirements of the Divine Mercy devotion. Received unworthily and without trust in the Divine Mercy and devoid of some deed of mercy toward neighbor it would be a contradiction of the devotion of Divine Mercy. Instead of the exceptional grace, it would bring down upon the recipient the Divine Wrath (as does every communion in the state of mortal sin)."

As always, the confession need not be made on the same day, but in the period around the feast, 20 days before or after.

Capital Campaign - "Do This in Memory of Me": Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Thank you very much for your generosity! For those who have not yet pledged, please consider doing so. Please keep praying our campaign prayer to St. Joseph! Yours in Christ, - Fr. Huber



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Low Sunday (Divine Mercy)

April 12, 2026

*"For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood.
- 1 John 5:4-7*

Secretary: Melissa Burns
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Masses

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am,
10:30am (high), 1:00pm

Monday: 12:00pm
Tues, Wed, Thur: 7:00am & 9:00am
Friday: 9:00am & 6:30pm.
Saturday: 9:00 am.

Ocala:

Sunday: 4:30pm
Monday: 7:00am.

Confession: 30 min before Mass

Adoration: Fri 10am-6:15pm

Date and Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
4-12	7:00 AM Maureen Hallagan+	B. Hallagan
	8:30 AM Elizabeth Olmstead	C. Olmstead
	10:30 AM <i>Pro Populo</i>	
	1:00 PM Frank & Frances Maika++	A. Phaup
4-13	12:00 PM Danuta Kusper	Lucyna Wojtek
4-14	7:00 AM Grozdana Jurman	R & K Jurman
	9:00 AM FSSP Confraternity Intentions	K. Slovak
4-15	7:00 AM Conversion of a soul	Anonymous
	9:00 AM Diane M. Zettlemoyer+	Zettlemoyer family
4-16	7:00 AM Nancy Zilli	Zilli family
	9:00 AM Fr. Stephane Dupre FSSP	S. Hemeryck
4-17	9:00 AM Richard McKnight+	T & J Lynch
	6:30 PM Deceased parents & family	C & C Walker
4-18	9:00 AM John & Elizabeth Hoops	Hoops family
4-19	7:00 AM Priest's Intention	
	8:30 AM Intentions of the Vargas family	Vargas family
	10:30 AM <i>Pro Populo</i>	
	1:00 PM Rita & Ken Dunn	B Blake & K Kirsch

“If all the prayers of loving hearts from the beginning of the world, and all the seraphic worship of the thrones and principalities of heaven, and the burning devotion and love of the Virgin Mother of God, and the voices of the all creatures of heaven and earth were offered up in one universal and harmonious act of praise and adoration, they would not equal or even approach in value and efficacy the infinite worth of a SINGLE MASS.”

Weekly Schedule	
Holy Face Devotions	Tue, Apr 14, 10:15 AM
Women's Book Club	Tue, Apr 14, 6:30-8 PM
CtK@ Planned Parenthood	Weds, Apr 15, 9AM-5PM
St. Joseph's Guild	Thur, Apr 16, 6:30 PM
Archconf of the Holy Face	Sat, Apr 18, 10:00 AM
Youth Group	Sat, Apr 18, 5:30-8 PM

Prayer Corner
Please pray for: Sciscenti family; Patricia Furlong; Richard B; Nicole Romano, Shehwen family, Meadows family; Carol Labrecque; Stacy Steindorf, Terry Angley, Amanda Smith, Robert M; Wis family; McNamara family

To obtain a **plenary indulgence** on **Divine Mercy Sunday**, the faithful must fulfill three standard conditions—sacramental confession (20 days before or after), Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope’s intentions—while being detached from all sin. In addition, in any church or chapel, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!")

If you have not contacted the office or one of the priests about 1st communion and confirmation, please do so asap! **1st communion is on Sunday June 7th, and confirmation is Thursday May 28th.** We need a **baptismal certificate** from everyone. For 1st communion the child needs to pass the oral test with one of the priests, and for confirmation there is a take home test.

The **CtK Respect Life group** is holding a supply drive for Solve Maternity Homes. Donations will be collected before and after Masses on May 3rd and May 10th. Information on acceptable items for donation can be found in the vestibule. Questions? Contact Zack Kanter at (941) 861-4536.

Please note, we have a new church secretary. Starting tomorrow, April 13, Melissa Burns will be taking over the administrative duties formerly handled by Susan Hemeryck, who is retiring. Many of you already know Melissa. For those who don’t, please feel free to stop by the office to meet her!

I would like to extend an official thank you to Susan for all of her service to the parish. She has been a true blessing! Please say a prayer for her and for he next phase in life!

- Parish Groups**
- St. Joseph’s Guild
 - St. Theresa Devotions Guild
 - Respect Life
 - Altar Servers
 - Choir
 - Youth Catechism
 - Youth Group
 - Holy Face Archconfraternity
 - Women’s Book Club
 - Women’s Lectio Divina Prayer Group

1962 Liturgical Calendar				
4-12	Low Sunday	1	W	
4-13	St. Hermenegild, Martyr	3	R	
4-14	St. Justyn, Martyr	3	R	Ss. Tiburtius, Valerian and Maximus, Martyrs
4-15	Feria of Paschaltide	4	W	
4-16	Feria of Paschaltide	4	W	
4-17	St. Ancetus, Pope & Martyr	4	R	
4-18	Our Lady on Saturday	4	W	
4-19	Second Sunday after Easter	2	W	

From the Choir Loft: Low Sunday 4/12/26: Entr: Christ the Lord is Risen Today SEC 841; Vidi Aquam SEC 566; Mass I SEC 696; Credo III SEC 776; Exit: Regina Caeli SEC 954

Low Sunday:
At the Easter Vigil we sang the Easter verses of the hymn *O Filii et Filiae*, (attributed to Jean Tisserand, O.F.M., d. 1494). For Low Sunday we will sing verses 6-12, which refer to today's Gospel reading about St. Thomas meeting Our Lord in the upper room eight days after the Resurrection. The translation is found on p. 849 in the SEC.

Finances

Last Sunday’s collection: cash \$8,223.05; on-line \$3,970.00; **CFA:** \$150
Do This in Memory of Me: cash \$4,690.00; online \$4,230.10

2026 CFA status at CtK as of March 31, 2026: \$96,000.00 assessment; \$42,611.67 pledged; \$16,346.67 paid. **Thank you for your support!**

Mass Attendance April 5- 748 souls
8:15pm- 226
8:30 am- 228
10:30 am- 180
1:00 pm- 114
Ocala- 550