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SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH, 2026  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

ST. CATHARINE CHURCH

# Welcome to St. Catharine

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**WELCOME!** We're so happy you're here today. God delights in you, and He desires to draw close to you in this Holy Mass. If you're visiting St. Catharine for the first time, thank you for praying with us—we're honored by your presence. Please silence your phones and help us keep a spirit of reverence in the church. **Restrooms can be found in the Undercroft and the Parish Center.** If you need help, just look for someone wearing a green lanyard. We hope you'll join us again soon!

**TO THE PARENTS of LITTLE ONES...** Thank you for your courage and love in bringing your children to Mass. Even when it feels chaotic, your efforts matter more than you know. God sees every sacrifice, and your children's presence is a powerful witness of faith.

If your children have some extra wiggles or need to let out a few extra joyful noises, we have a large **Quieting Room in the Church, as well as a video feed in the Parish Hall Gallery** should you need to step out. But please do come back—we want you here!

**TO OUR PARISH FAMILY...** Children remind us that the Church is alive and growing. Their joyful noises are music to God's ears. Let's welcome them with kindness and support their parents with a smile of encouragement.

## Eucharistic Adoration Chapel



**Sunday-Friday**  
6:00am-12:00am  
**Saturday**  
6:00am-4:00pm



**Respect Life Holy Hour**  
Wednesdays at 4:00pm

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy**  
Fridays at 3:00pm

**Children's Holy Hour**  
Saturdays at 3:00pm

## Confession

**Wednesday** • 6:30pm  
**Saturday** • 9:00am



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## ADORE Night

**Every Wednesday at 6:30pm**

A candle-lit evening of Adoration with Confession, songs of praise & worship, prayers, and devotions.

## This Week

### Sunday, April 12th: *Divine Mercy Sunday*

**8:30am** Holy Mass (Rachael Pallay)  
**11:00am** Holy Mass: Church (Marilyn Nester)  
12:00pm Baptisms  
3:00pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour  
**5:00pm** Holy Mass (People of the Parish)\*  
6:00pm Lent Small Group Easter Celebration

### Monday, April 13th: *Monday of the Second Week of Easter*

**8:00am** Holy Mass (Mary Agriesti Gall)  
6:30pm Scouts  
7:00pm Choir Practice

### Tuesday, April 14th: *Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter*

**8:00am** Holy Mass (Cecilia Beiter)  
7:00pm Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

### Wednesday, April 15th: *Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter*

12p-2p Parish Offices Closed  
4:00pm Respect Life Holy Hour  
**6:00pm** Holy Mass  
**6:30pm** ADORE Night (Confession/Adoration)

### Thursday, April 16th: *Thursday of the Second Week of Easter*

**8:00am** Holy Mass (Special Intention for Baby Vautour)  
6:00pm Rescue Project Small Groups  
7:15pm Courageous Daughters of the Eucharist  
7:30pm Knights of Columbus

### Friday, April 17th: *Friday of the Second Week of Easter*

**8:00am** Holy Mass

### Saturday, April 18th: *Saturday of the Second Week of Easter*

7:00am That Man Is You!  
**8:30am** Holy Mass  
9:00am Confession  
2:30pm Wedding: Kelsey Leamy + Nicholas Rivera

### Sunday, April 19th: *Third Sunday of Easter*

**8:30am** Holy Mass (Richard & Lucille Hoffman)  
9:30am Coffee & Donuts  
9:30am St. Vincent de Paul Sandwich Making  
**11:00am** Holy Mass (People of the Parish)\*  
12:00pm Baptisms  
12:00pm Coffee & Donuts  
**5:00pm** Holy Mass (Louise Mussio)

\*Denotes the use of incense

## Mass Intentions

There are many open dates available for Mass intentions in 2026. A Mass intention is a sacred way to unite a specific prayer or need with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

To request a Mass intention for 2026 or for more information, please contact the parish office at 614-231-4509 or info@stcatharine.com

April 12, 2026

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

Acts 2:42-47 | 1 Pt 1:3-9 | Jn 20:19-31

### **GROW AS A DISCIPLE** | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Can you imagine being Thomas and finding out that while you were gone from the Upper Room, the resurrected Jesus appeared to the other disciples? And then, according to the evangelist John, it was a full week later when Jesus returns to that room. If I were Thomas, I would probably be consumed with thoughts about how unfair the situation was – that I was being asked to believe without seeing while the other disciples were able to see the glorified Christ. And, of course, we don't know how Thomas reacted, except that he demanded to see and touch the wounds of Christ. We do know that when Christ returns he does not admonish Thomas, but offers his hands and his side to his disciple to touch. Christ responded to Thomas with mercy – inviting him into an encounter in a way that will draw him into deeper faith. And Christ also comes to us again and again and again, mercifully inviting us into relationship with him regardless of what we demand or how often we fall away.

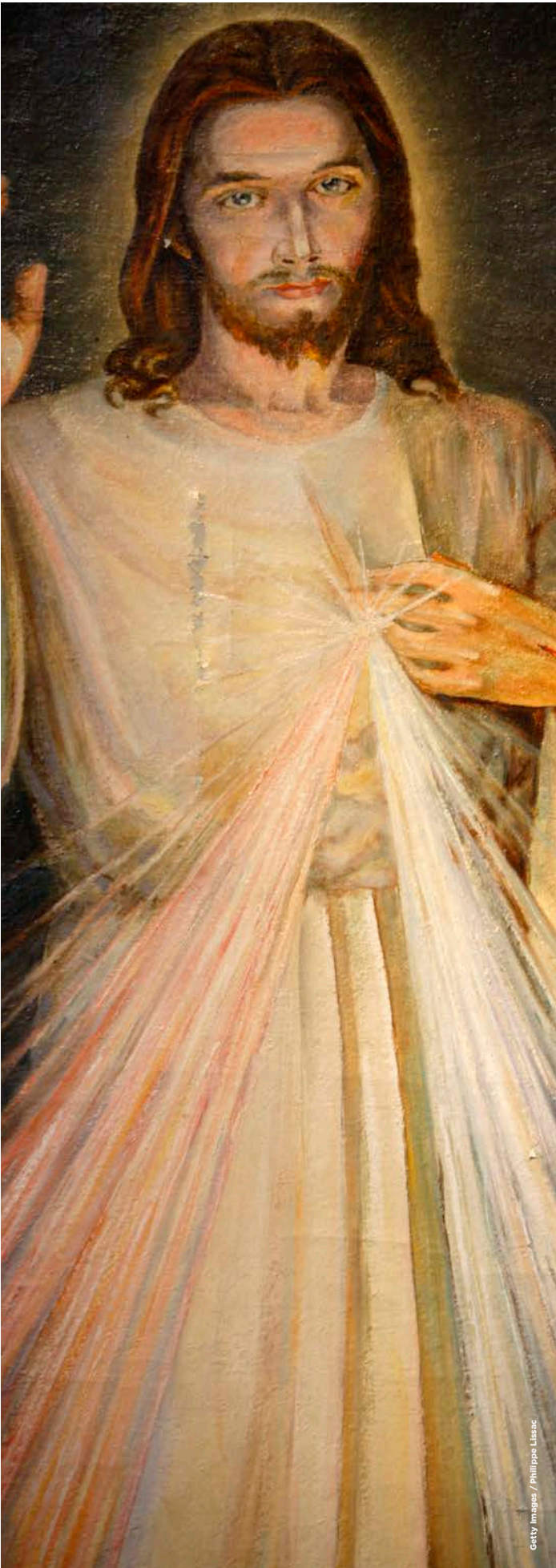
### **GO EVANGELIZE**

#### **PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

We do not have a right to God's mercy. Humanity willingly and intentionally turned away from God in the Garden of Eden, and we continue to do so today when we choose to sin and turn away from God. But God extends mercy to us as an undeserved gift, and he calls us to be merciful to others. The reading from the Acts of the Apostles tells us that the first Christians devoted themselves to the love of God and others, and they forged an avenue for mercy to be made present as they cared for one another by dividing their material goods "according to each one's need." We, too, are called to be merciful. We are called to look beyond what someone should be able to do on their own and be open to responding to their need in love. And as we show mercy to others, we remind one another of our dignity and worth. As with Thomas, Jesus does not focus on what we lack, but instead generously offers what is needed to draw us into relationship.

### **RECEIVE**

It can be just as hard to receive mercy as it is to extend it. In receiving mercy, we must admit that we are not capable of healing ourselves of all that keeps us from full communion with Christ. This week, pray for the grace to fully receive the mercy that God so lovingly offers, trusting that he desires to meet us where we are and draw us closer to himself.



## Welcomed Into Full Communion with the Catholic Church

We rejoice with our brothers and sisters who made their profession of faith and were Confirmed at the Easter Vigil

Alexander Gouke  
Reade Green  
Lafayette Westbrook III

## Baptisms

*"See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God."*

March 1st-April 4th

Isla Emerson King  
Katherine Rose Linkugel  
Logan Joseph Selegue  
Mathen Jay Garlapati  
Levi Grey De Los Santos  
Scarlett Rose Milligan  
Beckett Charles Miller  
Patrick Fleming  
Nicholas McConaughy

## The Banns of Marriage

We are pleased to announce the following weddings at St. Catharine Church. Any known reason why these marriages should not happen should be reported to Fr. Bob. We wish these couples God's blessings as they unite as husband and wife!

April 18th: Kelsey Leamy and Nicholas Rivera

## Lord, Hear Our Prayer

*"The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects."*

If you or a loved one would like to be added to the Prayer Chain please email [info@stcatharine.com](mailto:info@stcatharine.com) or call 614-231-4509. Names will remain on the Prayer Chain for 4 months or until they are asked to be removed.

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Mary  
Zoritza  
Anne  
Emy

Michael  
Anne  
Taylor  
Ryan  
JoAnn  
Kathleen  
William

Sr. Christella  
Baby Vautour  
Donte  
Annette  
AJ  
Katie  
Paul

## Jesus, I Trust in You

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that 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.



This 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.

The years Sr. Faustina spent at the convent were filled with extraordinary gifts, such as revelations, visions, hidden stigmata, participation in the Passion of the Lord, the gift of bilocation, the reading of human souls, the gift of prophecy, and the rare gift of mystical engagement and marriage.

In 1931, our Lord appeared to St. Faustina in a vision. She saw Jesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His garment in the area of the Heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale. She gazed intently at the Lord in silence, her soul filled with awe, but also with great joy. Jesus said to her:

**Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You. 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 (Diary, 47, 48). 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 (327). I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and [then] throughout the world (47).**

At the request of her spiritual director, St. Faustina asked the Lord about the meaning of the rays in the image. She heard these words in reply:

**The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him (299). 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 (742).**

Source: <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/>

### April Food Pantry Need CANNED SOUP

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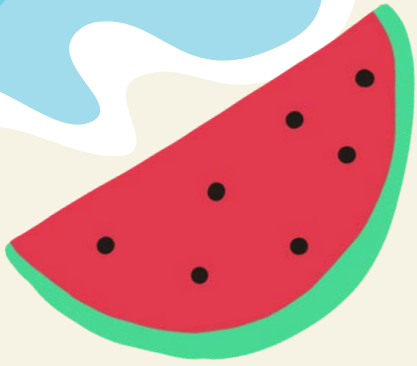
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## INTERCEDE



## PRAY

*Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be*

## REFLECT

By the age of 45, as many as 1 in 4 women have had an abortion, and a similar number of men and family members have been involved. Those who have participated in abortion suffer guilt, grief, and regret—often in silence—wrongly believing abortion to be “the unforgivable sin” and fearing they are beyond God’s mercy.

Yet, the Sunday of Divine Mercy is an opportunity to share the message of Christ’s infinite mercy with all suffering under the weight of sin. In the 1930s, Jesus appeared to a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, who recorded His messages in her *Diary*. On one such occasion, Jesus said 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” (*Diary*, no. 699).

On this Solemnity, we contemplate the fullness of the Paschal Mystery. From the beginning of creation, throughout Scripture, and most perfectly in the life, Passion, death and Resurrection of Jesus, God has revealed himself as love itself. In his infinite love for

us, God desires nothing more than to wash away our sins and offer us his mercy. Our celebration of the Sunday of Divine Mercy is a celebration of the forgiveness now available to all of us, by virtue of Christ’s Resurrection. We must only run toward the outstretched arms of Christ.

God desires to take the greatest of sinners and transform them into the greatest saints. No sin is beyond his mercy. He makes “all things new” (Revelation 21:5) through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Let us never fail to seek the mercy that God desires to freely give us. *Jesus, we trust in you!*

## ACT (choose one)

- Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm (the Hour of Mercy), with the intention of healing for all suffering from involvement in abortion. How to pray: [uscgb.org/divine-mercy-chaplet](https://uscgb.org/divine-mercy-chaplet).
- Jesus spoke to St. Faustina, “*Reveal all the wounds of your heart. I will heal them*” (*Diary*, no. 1487). Seek Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and allow his healing mercy to reach every hurt and hidden pain.
- Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month’s intention.

## ONE STEP FURTHER

Learn more about the experiences of those who suffer from having participated in one or more abortions and how you can be a messenger of God’s infinite mercy: [uscgb.org/bridges-of-mercy](https://uscgb.org/bridges-of-mercy).

Excerpts from Kowalska, Maria Faustina. *Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska: Divine Mercy in My Soul*. Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2000. Used with permission of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M.



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## Infant Baptism

*"See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God."*

St. Catharine offers a new family-centered Baptism prep program to deepen understanding and connection to Jesus. It includes two sessions held on the 1st Sunday of each month after the 8:30am Mass. **Expectant parents are encouraged to attend even before your little one is born!** Learn more or register at [www.stcatharine.com/baptism](http://www.stcatharine.com/baptism)

**Questions?** Fr. Brown • [frbrown@stcatharine.com](mailto:frbrown@stcatharine.com)



## Becoming Catholic

If you think you are ready to begin the process of becoming Catholic, or if you have **any other questions about God and the Church**, just scan the QR code or send us an email.

**Questions?**

Fr. Brown • [frbrown@stcatharine.com](mailto:frbrown@stcatharine.com)



## Holy Matrimony

As soon as you have made the decision to marry, and at least six months or more prior to the anticipated wedding date, you should contact the Pastor in order to begin the various steps of the Marriage Preparation Program.

**Questions?**

Fr. Bob • [rpenhall@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:rpenhall@columbuscatholic.org)



## Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone you know is in danger of death from sickness or old age and wishes to receive the sacraments, please call 614-673-4355, and ask for a priest to be dispatched to your location.

If you call after hours, please use the same number and follow the prompts to reach a priest.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH

"On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy."

*Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, 699*

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Confessions

4:00pm

Benediction

#### How to Obtain the Unique Plenary Indulgence Jesus Offers on Divine Mercy Sunday

1. Go to Confession (20 days before, on, or after Divine Mercy Sunday)
2. Receive Holy Communion (20 days before, on, or after Divine Mercy Sunday)
3. Pray for the Pope
4. In any church or chapel, recite an Our Father, Creed, and a prayer to the Merciful Jesus (i.e., "Merciful Jesus, I trust in You!") in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, or, participate in services honoring the Divine Mercy devotion.

One must approach the indulgence with a spirit "completely detached from the affection for a sin," both mortal and venial. The Church also allows the ill or those who cannot attend church to obtain this indulgence. One may fulfill the three usual conditions as described above as soon as possible, along with reciting an Our Father, Creed, and prayer to the Merciful Jesus.