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## DAILY ONLINE

### MASS RESOURCES:

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## “MASS FOR YOU AT HOME”

Channel 10 at  
6.00am.

Sunday morning



## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter which was designated in the year 2000 by Pope St. John Paul II as Divine Mercy Sunday. The renewed devotion to Divine Mercy emerged from the mystical revelations of Jesus to a Polish nun named Sr Faustina Kowalska in which Jesus highlighted the importance and centrality of His infinite mercy.

The apparitions to Sr Faustina were approved by the Church and she was canonised on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2000. In giving approval to these private revelations of St. Faustina, the Church recognised the authenticity of the message of divine mercy, as a call from Christ for each of us in our own day, to rediscover and grow in a deeper appreciation of His great mercy. There are two predominant themes that are highlighted in the divine mercy devotion:

1. **Complete trust in the endless goodness and love of Jesus Christ for each of us**
2. **The call of each of us to show mercy to one another and in this way become a conduit of God's mercy and love to our neighbour**

Jesus said to Sr Faustina one day: “*Humanity will never find peace until it turns to Divine Mercy.*” In the Gospel this Sunday we see the disciples of Jesus locked in a room in fear and confusion and Jesus appears to them and twice says: “*Peace be with you.*”

We too, like the disciples after that first Easter, find ourselves locked in our homes in fear and uncertainty; the future is unknown and the present is bleak. We may find ourselves feeling anxious and frustrated and this can easily cause us to lose our peace. However, the Risen Christ is offering us again, on this feast of Divine Mercy, a remedy for our current troubles: The gift of His endless mercy.

Jesus stands amongst us locked in our homes and says to each of us “peace be with you.” This peace is not a peace the world can give us, but a peace that can only come from an infinitely loving and merciful God who desires to grow closer to each of us this Easter. Let us all turn to the Risen Christ in these days of uncertainty and in full confidence in his mercy, say to Him. Jesus I trust in You.

Eden Langlands

### DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.



**Happy are those who  
have not seen me, but  
still believe. (Jn 20:29)**

The words of John's Gospel on this Divine Mercy Sunday are especially meaningful for us during this time of not being able to gather as a community for Eucharist.

Our belief in God revealed through the Risen Lord is nourished by the words of Sacred Scripture, especially in the Readings of this Sunday.

The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles implores us to live in and as a community—the faithful lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared the proceeds among themselves according to what each needed.

This is certainly the story of our community in 2020. We are continuing to be called to live our faith through love and service of our neighbour and indeed perhaps more importantly, the stranger, even in these unknown times of Covid-19.

Our belief in the Risen Lord nourished by the Word and inspired by his words— “*As the Father sent me, so I am sending you*” are food for the journey ahead whatever it brings...

*The Reflection each week will  
invite us to share in song—just  
click the link.*

**We are Many Parts by Marty  
Haugen**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H0W3B10MFgY)  
[v=H0W3B10MFgY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H0W3B10MFgY)

Easter Blessings Phil



## A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIMES OF PANDEMIC

O Mary,  
you always brighten our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain  
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,  
you know what we need,  
and we are confident you will provide for us  
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,  
the Divine Physician,  
for those who have fallen ill,  
for those who are vulnerable,  
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with  
protecting the health and safety of others  
and for those who are tending to the sick  
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
who took upon himself our  
sufferings and carried our sorrows,  
so as to lead us, through the Cross,  
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

**Under thy protection we seek refuge,  
O Holy Mother of God.  
In our needs, despise not our petitions,**

## PARISH CONNECT

4 pm every Sunday via Zoom—The link will be sent every  
Thursday with the bulletin  
You are all most welcome to join

## Drive-thru Reconciliation

Saturday 25th @5pm



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**Remembering the Sick:** Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, James Lee, George Fitzgerald, Declan Holmes, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Margaret Harris, Bill Giust, Allan Odum, Luke Ward, Rosemary Cooley, Andrew Morton, Judy Betts, Ken Evendon, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Glenda Gallagher, Joan, Robert Craddy, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital.

### We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community:

Des Jeffs, Louise Keeley, Peter Burum. Collette Winter,

**Anniversaries:** Janice Marion, Terence Thomson, Franciscus Timmer, Leon Pallamountagne, Anica Hratic, Elsie Waltham, Gregory Parsons, Robyn Albert

## Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intention

APRIL  
Freedom From  
Addiction

We pray that those  
suffering addiction may  
be helped and  
accompanied

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