

April 8, 2018 – Divine Mercy Sunday

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A Eucharistic Adoration Parish in the Chapel



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday 8:00 am & 12:05 pm
8:00 am is in the Chapel & 12:05 pm is in the Church
Saturday: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00, 10:30, 12:00 Noon & 5:00 pm
National Holidays: 9:00 am

Exposition is in the Chapel from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:00 am, 12:05, & 7:30 pm (Holy Day)
Legion of Mary: Monday 12:45 pm or Tuesday 7:00 pm
Kenacle, Marian Movement of Priests:
Tuesday 1:30 pm
Night of Reparation: 1st Friday 7:30 pm

SACRAMENTS

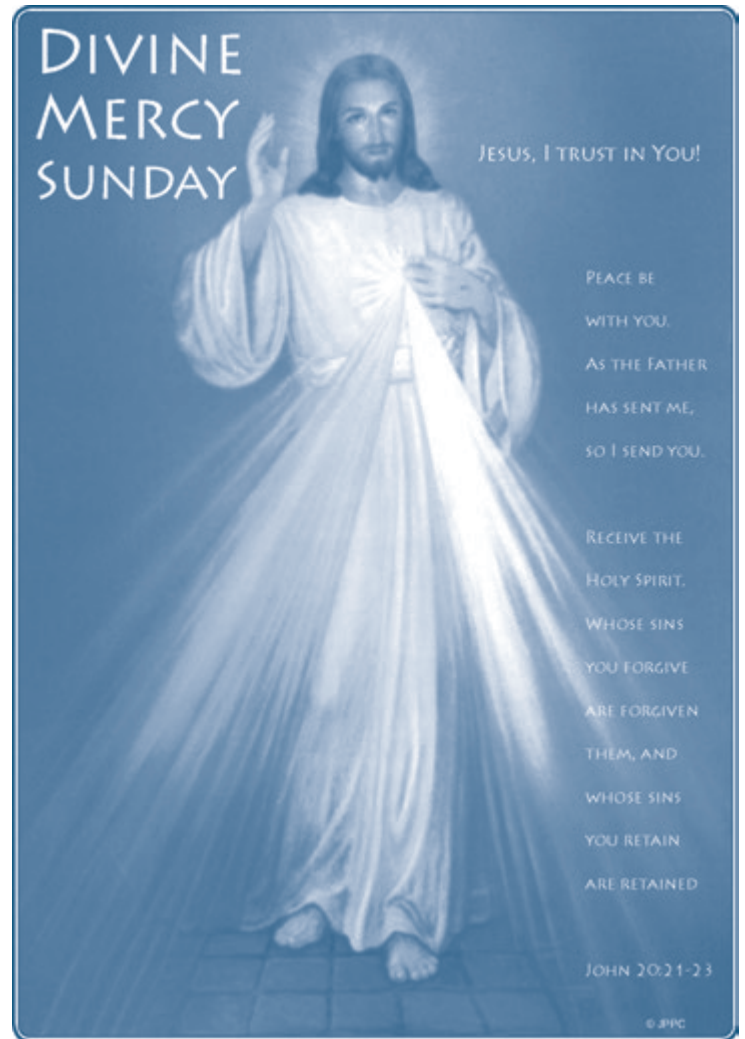
Confessions:
Saturday: 3:45 to 4:45 pm and after the 12:05 pm Mass on
1st Friday only

Baptisms:
Arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism are to be made at the Rectory Office after the parents and Godparents have attended the Pre-Jordan program.

Marriage:
Arrangements for Marriage must be made at least six months before the intended wedding to allow time to gather the necessary documents and for pre-marriage preparations.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Rectory Office.

Way of Christ Convert Program (RCIA): Call the Religious Education Office.



THEME

Our Church invites us today to appreciate the mercy of God, who calls us to the side of the risen Jesus to behold the truth of his death and resurrection. From his side all mercy flows.

7 SATURDAY

8:00 am † Kathryn Scott
5:00 pm † John & Helen Cieszynski

8 SUNDAY

8:00 am † Bernard & Gina Guarascio Sr.
10:30 am † John J. Kenny
12:00 pm People of St. Isaac Jogues
5:00 pm † Elizabeth Aquilante

9 MONDAY – THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

8:00 am † Paula Schumann
12:05 pm † Clara DaSilva

10 TUESDAY

8:00 am † James J. Elderry
12:05 pm † Michael Morris

11 WEDNESDAY – ST. STANISLAUS, BISHOP & MARTYR

8:00 am † Leta Koel
12:05 pm Intentions of the President & Vice President of the United States

12 THURSDAY

8:00 am † Joseph Otto
12:05 pm † Luciano Zaffalon

13 FRIDAY – ST. MARTIN I, BISHOP & MARTYR

8:00 am Intentions of Paula Poisker
12:05 pm † Betty Borzillo

14 SATURDAY

8:00 am Intentions of Patty VonNostrand
5:00 pm † Rudy Dutzman

15 SUNDAY – THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 am † Bernard & Gina Guarasci Sr.
10:30 am † Maria Rose Varano
12:00 pm † Anthony Aristone
5:00 pm People of St. Isaac Jogues



Palm Sunday and the Triduum of 2018 here at St. Isaac's went very smoothly. I am grateful to all those who made the liturgies so spiritually enriching and uplifting, as well as, to those who worked tirelessly behind the scenes.

I am certain that I speak for all of our parishioners that this proved to be a memorable Holy Week and Easter. May the Easter Season be filled with blessings for all of us.

In Christ
Rev. Stephen A. Moerman

When and why did the church begin celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday? - The world was in the midst of the Great Depression in 1931 and the memories of World War I were still very much alive in the minds of Europeans when in Poland a sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), is said to have been personally visited by Jesus.

According to her diary, which was listed on the Index of Forbidden Books for more than 20 years, an image was revealed to her of the risen Lord, from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other "pale" (symbolizing water), with the words "Jesus, I trust in you" at the bottom. Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."

When she was canonized in 2000 under the direction of fellow countryman Pope John Paul II, he proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday, thereby widely promoting the devotional practices associated with Faustina's visions, already popular in many communities.

St. Faustina, a poorly educated daughter of a humble Polish family, kept a 600-page diary of the apparitions she claimed continued for years. Her entries focus on God's mercy, the call to accept God's mercy and to be merciful, the need for conversion, and the call to trust in Jesus. It had been Jesus' own wish, she wrote, to establish a feast day: "I [Jesus] desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls. . . . I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy."

Among the practices associated with the devotion are its novena, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (a series of prayers organized similarly to a rosary), the Hour of Great Mercy (a time of prayer traditionally celebrated at 3 p.m.), and the plenary indulgence granted to those who receive the Eucharist and celebrate reconciliation on Divine Mercy Sunday.

But the road to the universal recognition and institutionalization of the devotion was anything but smooth. Since Sister Faustina's diary, which she claimed Jesus himself had asked her to keep, had been previously listed on the Index of Forbidden Books, it curtailed the exercise of the devotional practices. Detractors claimed that her writing contained theological errors, while her defenders attribute mistakes to a faulty translation from Polish to Italian. While the diary is no longer on the Index and her canonization has officially put away concerns regarding the orthodoxy of her writings, critics remain.

The celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday is an opportunity to reflect on the theme of how God's mercy can overcome sin and, as the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments states, "a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind [sic] will experience in the years to come.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ISAAC'S



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Parish Coffee after the 10:30 am Mass on **Sunday, April 8th**, in the parish hall.

Divine Mercy -the Second Greatest Story Ever Told will continue this **Tuesday, April 10th** in the Parish Hall, 7-8:30 pm. Fr. Michael Gaitley weaves the story of Divine Mercy through the writings of St. Faustina and the apparitions at Fatima. All are welcome. Even if you missed the first sessions, you are welcome to join us for the video followed by small group discussion and refreshments.

Jolly Jogues News – Hot dog luncheon and Birthday Bash January through June Birthdays will be celebrated after the 12:05 Mass on **Tuesday, April 10th**, in the Parish Hall.

Reservations are due by April 5th, cost \$5.00. Drop in Collection basket or Rectory Office. Please mark the envelope Jolly Jogues. Flyers are at all Church entrances.



Bunco - Join us **Thursday, April 19th**, in St. Isaac Jogues Parish Hall for a fun filled night of games: Bunco and the dollar game! \$5 to play. Doors open at 7:00 pm with the games beginning

at 7:30 pm. BYOB. Cash prizes! Snacks and drinks are available.

St John Hospice - April is St. Isaac Jogues Casserole Month. Please drop off your frozen casserole by 11:00 am **Sunday, April 29th**, to the Parish Hall Freezer. **Please Note:** If the casserole is not dated they **will not** be accepted per the Board of Health.

Holy Hour for Life - Every Monday the Legion of Mary will lead a Holy Hour for Life from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Chapel. We will pray three mysteries of the Rosary for an overturn of abortion and for protection of life from conception to natural death. Please join us for this Perpetual Rosary Crusade for life. All are welcome.



Join us for an Outdoor Mass at 12 Noon and a Potluck lunch on Sunday, April 29th. Flyers with additional info are at Church entrances.

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL: “St. John Paul II laid out the Church’s vision for the consistent ethical defense of human life and dignity in all circumstances. In his 1995 encyclical Evangelium Vitae (“The Gospel of Life”), he said, “every threat to human dignity and life must necessarily be felt in the Church’s very heart.” (Our Sunday Visitor-Feb.25-March 3, 2018).

In case of illness please contact the Rectory Office to advise the Pastor.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish:

Roberta Adams, Bobbie Bauer, Bernie & Catherine Brill, Roger Burgess, Brandon Clark, Helen Debus, John Deenis, Sal DiMaiuta, Michael Fullam, Bud Gosnell, Farzanh Hafezi, Pary Hafezi, Patricia Kaine, Clare Krause, Janet Lennon, Francesca Monastero, Annette McCauley, Mary McNabb, Charles McKeough, Jacob Nichols, Steve Pannella, Linda Patton, Jim Pizzo, Mary Redmond, David Rothhaar, John Schrems, Dave Scidurlo, Jane Taddeo, Maureen Travagline, Alicia Uribe, Michael Wusinich and Brian Wood and all our homebound, parishioners in Nursing Homes and Hospitals.

Also the members of our Military:

TSgt. Megan Burton, US Air Force
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Sgt. Bruno Sicilia, US Army, Iraq
Capt. Adam Bouvier, US Army, Iraq/Kuwait
Maj. Katherine L. DePaul JA, US Army
Corp. Brendan Burke, US Marine Corp
Lt. Colonel Patrick Mulloney, US Army, Afghanistan
SSgt. Tim Selman, US Air Force, Korea
1st Lt. Joseph C. Toole, US Marine Corp



Prayer for the Safety of Our Soldiers -Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in you will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise you for your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



You Are Made New: A Retreat for Women - We invite you to join us as we encounter Jesus in a personal, powerful way through praise and worship music, inspiring speakers, healing prayer, personal coaching and reflection, and a time of adoration. The mission of this retreat is to unleash the power of God, through the Holy Spirit, and invite Him to change our hearts and transform our lives! You will leave with tools to help you continue the transformation back home. **April 27-28**, at Pope John Paul II High School, Royersford, PA
Presenters: Father Stephen DeLacy, Megan Mastroianni of Anthem Philly, De Yarrison, CPCC, Mark Griswold, Worship Leader; Visit the website: <https://youaremadenew.com/made-new-freedom-retreat>.

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The Catholic Charities Appeal - plays a vital role in our The Catholic Charities Appeal plays a vital role in our community by providing funds for diverse human services sponsored by the Archdiocese in outreach to the poor and vulnerable in our society.

There is no such thing as a small gift to the Catholic Charities.

The Academy of Notre Dame de Namur – will offer Summer enrichment programs and athletic camps for elementary (basketball), middle, and high school girls on its Villanova campus. Science and Dance enrichment programs will also be available in July in Stone Harbor, NJ. Please call 610-687-0650 or visit www.ndapa.org/summercamps for specific details on dates and grades.

Holy Land Information Night: May 9 -Walk where Jesus walked. Pray at the sites of Jesus’ conception at Nazareth’s Basilica of the Annunciation and His birth in Bethlehem’s Church of the Nativity. Sail on the Sea of Galilee. Walk the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Travel with Father Zachary Navit for the trip of a lifetime to the land of the Bible from **February 28th-March 10th, 2019**. Find out more about this amazing pilgrimage at a Wine and Cheese Information Night and Social on **Wednesday, May 9th, 2018** at 7 p.m at Saint Mary Center Community Room (701 Lansdale Avenue, Lansdale, PA; enter through chapel). For information about the itinerary, pricing, and registration, contact Susan at 800-842-4842 or susan@select-intl.com, or visit www.selectinternationaltours.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



WHAT DRAWS PEOPLE INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH? - While there are many different circumstances that lead a person in the direction of Catholicism, the simple answer is, “Because God has called them.

Most often, God calls to us through the people closest to us, through our families and friends. Most who have entered the Church have been influenced by a Catholic spouse, fiancé, or close friend. For many of these people, a desire to raise their children in the knowledge of God spurred them to action. What is this if not the action of the Holy Spirit?

If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about Catholic Faith and Worship contact Louis Valenti at 610-687-2481 or email SIJDRE@gmail.com.

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.stisaac.org and click on "Youth Ministry."

Junior High Youth Group – meets once a quarter. Check our website for specific time and dates.

Senior High Youth Group – meets every Thursday from 7-9 pm in the Youth Group Room.

Young Adult Meeting – meets the first Sunday of every month after the 5:00 pm Mass.

NOTE: Any youth interested in helping with the Youth Mass Sunday at 5:00 pm to lector, serve or with Music Ministry, please contact the Youth Ministry Office at 610-254-9106.

Liturgical Schedule April 7 th & 8 th			
	Extraordinary Ministers	Lector	Cantor & Organist
Saturday 5:00 PM	Tony Cucchi Meg Price Mellie Schrems	Mary Grady	Terry Shirey
Sunday 8:00 AM	Theresa Betts Linda Copel	John Betts	No Music
Sunday 10:30 AM	Alex & Gina Corridoni Pat McManus	Ed Sweeney	Lauren Wildoner Charles Paschall
Sunday 12:00 PM	Michael & Rosemary DiNatale	Joyce Sasiadek	Lauren Wildoner Charles Paschall
Sunday 5:00 PM	Joe Aquilante Nancy Hicks	Amy Laursen	Youth Group

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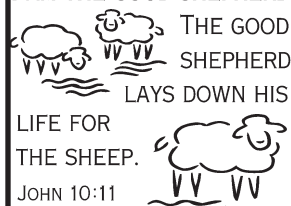
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