



# Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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## **WEEKEND MASS**

*Upper Church*

**Saturday 5:00 pm, Anticipated**

**Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm**

## **WEEKEND CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, 3:30-4:30 pm

Sunday, 9:00-10:00 am

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## **DAILY MASS**

Monday, 8:30 am, Lower Church

Tuesday, 12:00 pm, Lower Church

Wednesday, 6:00 pm Upper Church

Thursday, 10:00 am, Upper Church

Friday, 10:00 am, Lower Church

## **DAILY CONFESSIONS**

*Upper Church*

Wednesday, 4:30-5:30 pm

Or by appointment

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

First Friday, 11am-5pm, Lower Church

Wednesday, 7am-5pm, Upper Church

Thursday, 7-8 pm, Lower Church

April 16, 2023

Divine Mercy Sunday

*The Pastor's Letter this week is from Deacon Mike Bannio.*

Brothers and Sisters,

Located in the Lower Church at Our Lady of the Rosary is the Divine Mercy shrine. In this shrine is the Image of the Divine Mercy which is an image of Jesus with the words "Jesus, I Trust in You." It is important for us to venerate this image because it draws us deeper into the profoundness of God's love and mercy that he has shown us through his Son Jesus.

In this image we see the left foot of Jesus stepping toward us, reminding us that it is God who makes the first move in seeking us who have turned away and sinned against him. Jesus tells St. Faustina "Be not afraid of your Savior, O sinful soul. I make the first move to come to you, for I know that you are unable to lift yourself to Me" (1485). Going back to the image we see Jesus' right hand raised to give a blessing. His left hand lifts the garment near his heart where two large rays emanate from it. One ray is red and the second ray is pale blue. Jesus tells St. Faustina that "the two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale blue ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls...."

Jesus continues by telling St. Faustina that "these two rays issued from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized heart was opened by a lance on the Cross" (299). This teaches us that the two rays signify the Holy Sacraments Christ has given his Church, and all the graces of the Holy Spirit.

This second weekend of Easter is known as Divine Mercy Sunday and Our Lady of the Rosary will have a Divine Mercy celebration in the Upper Church at 2:00 pm on Sunday, April 16. I invite you to not only be a part of this event to venerate the Image of the Divine Mercy and to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, but to spend time in prayer at the Divine Mercy shrine where this image is displayed throughout the year. In doing so you will receive the promise Jesus had St. Faustina write down in her diary, "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish" (48).

Deacon Mike Bannio

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## Parish Operating Financials

### Weekend Collections for Apr. 9, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.

### Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

Through Week #41 in the Fiscal Year  
Beginning July 1, 2022

*Financials for the week of April 9, 2023  
have not yet been published.*



## Marian Tea

Saturday, April 29, at 10:30 in Guadalupe Hall. Come join us for a "cuppa tea" and the Rosary. More details to follow, after the Easter Holidays. *Please RSVP [HERE](#).*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Delores Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Jim Bever, Glen Bishof, Sandra Brock, John Bruce, OFS, Megan Burgess, Will Busby, Martha Catel, Claudia Caldwell, Alex Camp, Carson Family, Kathleen Crawford, Margaret Culin, Rose Cusumano, Christy Dias, Joseph Donovan, Marian Eleazer, Sarah & Teresa Fuller, Larry & Cynthia Good, Michael Granger, Phillip Greene, Ed Harden, Janet Hardy, Donald Hargis, Theresa Hargreaves, Kathy Hess, Kathy Illingworth, Ingrid Ireland, Bob Jackowski, Beth Kitchen, Kenneth Landgrover, Gerry Loesch, John Loesch, Katherine Lowry, Anna Lunn, Madeline McKiernan, Lisa Meyer, Dianne Morrison, Marjorie Munson, Mrs. That Nguyen, Kim Orr, Marlowe Pastor, Dcn. Ray & Nancy Perham, Thien Pham, Andres Prestoza, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, David Rubardt, Sonam Sherpa, Nancy & Earl Smith, Frank Striplin, Peter Stryker, Tedrick Family, Cheryl Wallace, Mary Lou Whelan, Kayla Wiegand, Steve Wiltberger, Marcia Wolff, Jim Wood, Will Woodward, Mary Louise Worthy & family, and all who are sick.

## PARISH CALENDAR

**Saturday, April 15, through Sunday, April 23**

*(Mass Intentions are shown in italics)*

**All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.**

Saturday, 4/15	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Special Intention</i>
Sunday, 4/16 <b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b>	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For John Connelly+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Frank Walker+</i> 2:00 pm - Divine Mercy Sunday Service 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>
Monday, 4/17 <b>Lower Church</b>	8:30 am - Mass, <i>For Joyce Smythe+</i>
Tuesday, 4/18 <b>Lower Church</b>	12:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Matthew Craft+</i>
Wednesday, 4/19	7:00 am - 5:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Linda Schroeder+</i>
Thursday, 4/20	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Donald Moran+</i>
Friday, 4/21	10:00 am - Mass, <i>For Thomas &amp; Alice Armantrout+</i>
Saturday, 4/22	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Laz &amp; Lissette Toca</i>
Sunday, 4/23	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For Christine McGinn+</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Katie O'Brien Vogg+</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>

**Saturday, April 22, 2023**

### OLR Casino Royale Annual Gala Dinner

Presented by our PTO, this year it will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Greenville. If you are interested in attending or donating to the gala, please contact the PTO at [olrpto@olrschool.net](mailto:olrpto@olrschool.net).

## MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

*"Do not imagine that love to be true must be extraordinary. No, what we need in our love is the continuity to love the one we love. See how a lamp burns, by the continual consumption of the little drops of oil. If there are no more of these drops in the lamp, there will be no light. ... What are these drops of oil in our lamps? They are the little things of everyday life: fidelity, punctuality, little words of kindness, just a little thought for others; those little acts of silence, of look, and of thought, of word, and of deed. These are the very drops of love that make our life burn with so much light"* **Mother Teresa**

Let us recommit, in imitation of Mother Teresa, to do one thing. Let us take up our Rosaries and offer one Divine Mercy Chaplet, one Rosary, for the Church and the world, for peace on earth and peace in every heart. Let us pray for a successful new evangelization, transforming our culture into a culture of life, and thereby ushering in a civilization of love. And let us work while the light lasts, lighting candles in the darkness by performing works of mercy, sharing the Divine Mercy message and devotion to one person at a time, persistently, patiently, planning to continue across the rest of our lives, and beyond.

Let us do one good thing with love. And then another. And another.

(from Divine Mercy website 09-04-18)

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OLR's **WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED** program assists Moms in Need, especially those with unexpected pregnancies, by offering support for their questions and concerns as well as assisting them in providing for themselves and their growing baby. Once a Mom phones or emails us, we set up an appointment with her where she can receive comfort and a confidential listening ear. Whether it is applying for Medicaid, finding a food bank or clothing closet, looking into pre-natal care, delivery options or planning for childcare after delivery. Walking With Moms In Need is there to help each mom navigate resources all around us. If you find yourself in need of our free services, we would be so happy to connect with you via email: [wwmin@proton.me](mailto:wwmin@proton.me) or phone: 864-412-7101.

**You are not alone. We are here for You!**

## Divine Mercy Sunday April 16, 2023



Adoration	2:00 pm
Benediction	2:45 pm
Divine Mercy Chaplet	3:00 pm
Talk on Divine Mercy	3:15 pm



High School Youth Group will meet on April 16, from 6-8pm, with a discussion on Divine Mercy.

## RCIA

Our next meeting will be on April 19, and the discussion will be on "The Holy Spirit."



All are welcome to join **St. Martha's Book Club** for upcoming discussions in Guadalupe Hall from 12:30-2:00 pm.

**May 1 "Educated"**  
by Tara Westover

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS GRIEF MINISTRY** offers two ways to support grieving individuals in a group setting - *Transformation of Mourning: Grief & Loss of Those We Cherish*, a 6-8 week virtual grief support gathering (recordings of the presentation available for participants) next one begins **March 23, 2023 7:30pm**, please email [olsgrief@gmail.com](mailto:olsgrief@gmail.com).

Beginning with Catholic prayer, opportunity for voluntary sharing about current status of life/grief, presentation related to grief, opportunity for questions, closing with prayers of petition calling on the Lord to hear and answer them.

## Spiritual Adoption

WEEK 4, April 16



Baby's central nervous system appears. His blood cells and vessels are differentiated, and his brain and organs begin to form. Baby began forming his blood cells and vessels two weeks after conception, and now they are already differentiated. Baby's life has been miraculous for the last three weeks.

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