



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

One Flock, One Family, Living and
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Second Sunday of Easter: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 11, 2021



NEW MASS SCHEDULE

*ALL MASSES ARE LIVESTREAMED ON OUR
YOUTUBE CHANNEL: Catholic Church of the Good
Shepherd, Pittsburg, CA*

[Visit our parish website to sign up for weekend
Mass you want to attend.](#)

Monday - Friday

7:30am

Saturday

8:00am and 5:30pm Vigil

Sunday

8:00am, 10:00am, 12pm, 3pm Spanish

Communion

Drive through communion
after each Mass in front of the church.

Adoration

Fridays 8am – 9am

Confession

Fridays 8am-9am

Saturdays 4:00pm – 5:00pm
or by appointment

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Dear Friends in Christ,

“Jesus, I trust in you,” is the message of this Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: *“Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy..”* St. John Paul II realized how true this saying was when he saw the culture of death all over world. And in the year 2000, when he canonized Sister Faustina, he declared the Second Sunday of Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday. Why the second Sunday of Easter? It is because on this Sunday we hear the story of Thomas who doubted the resurrection. To confirm Thomas’ faith, Jesus showed him the wounds caused by the sin of humanity. By showing Thomas the wounds, Jesus shows his mercy to the world and gives us a good model to respond to hatred and violence. What do you do when someone has hurt you? Will you hate them back? Will you take a revenge? – an eye for an eye? Pay back! What did Jesus do when people hurt him? He blessed them. He blesses us with his right hand on which we nailed him on the Cross. He transforms the law of justice into the law of mercy. That is the only way to live a life of peace.

So the core of the Divine Mercy message is very simple as such: God says to us: *“I am love and mercy. Come to me, I will heal your wounds. I am not going to punish you, but I want to heal your wounded hearts. Let me do it for you. And trust me.”* Throughout his life, Jesus responded with mercy to people in all walks of life. He consoled a widow whose only son just passed away to say, “Don’t cry!” He befriended the rich and the poor, tax collectors, prostitutes, lepers, and the Gentiles. He raised the dead to life. He healed the sick, gave sight to the blind, and fed the hungry. He grieved when his friend died, and forgave the people who crucified him. *He said: “Blessed are the merciful, for you will be shown mercy.”*

Yes, we all need mercy. What is mercy? Mercy comes from a Latin word Misericordia: *miserere* (“pity” or “misery”) and *cordia* (“heart”). So Mercy means the suffering of the heart, a type of compassion, a deep, loving identification with people in their suffering. Having mercy means that we enter into the other person’s suffering. We feel the other person’s pain, and place ourselves inside the other person’s heart and mind. When that happens, we are moved to respond in a merciful way.

Life is full of challenges and trials. We find these struggles demonstrate our inability to live our lives as we desire. This pandemic reminds us that we are powerless; we are vulnerable. That’s why we cry out today, **“Jesus I trust in You.”** He will bring our stormy days to pass and peace will come again. So, let us bring our struggles to Jesus. He knows the struggles and pains of this world; He knows what it is to suffer. But now, with Christ’s resurrection, suffering has a redemptive value. Now, the sufferings we endure, large or small, can be united to Jesus’ suffering on the Cross, the act that saved the world. And so, whether we are worrying about our appearance, our health, or our livelihood, we can enter into the struggle knowing that Christ is with us and will help us walk this path, because there can be good that comes out of these days. So we pray: *“For the sake of his sorrowful passion. Have mercy on us and on the whole world.”*

Fr. Thi Hoang



Queridos Amigos en Cristo,

"Jesús, en ti Confío". es el mensaje de este Domingo de la Divina Misericordia. Jesús le dijo un día a Santa Faustina: *"La humanidad nunca encontrará la paz hasta que se vuelva con confianza a la Divina Misericordia"*. San Juan Pablo II se dio cuenta de cuán cierto era esta frase cuando vió la cultura de la muerte en todo el mundo. Y en el año 2000 cuando canonizó a la hermana Faustina, hizo del Segundo Domingo de Pascua el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia. ¿Por qué el segundo Domingo de Pascua?

Es porque en este Domingo escuchamos la historia de Tomás que dudó de la resurrección. Para confirmar la fe de Tomás, Jesús le mostró las heridas causadas por el pecado de la humanidad. Al mostrarle a Tomás las heridas, Jesús muestra su misericordia al mundo y nos da un buen modelo para responder al odio y la violencia. ¿Qué haces cuando alguien te ha lastimado? ¿Los odiarás de vuelta? ¿Te Vengarás? - ¿Ojo por Ojo? ¡Pagar! ¿Qué hizo Jesús cuando la gente lo lastimó? Los bendijo. Nos bendice con su mano derecha en la que lo clavamos en la Cruz. Transforma la ley de la justicia en la ley de la misericordia. Esa es la única forma de vivir una vida en paz.

Entonces, el núcleo del mensaje de la Divina Misericordia es muy simple como tal: Dios nos dice: *Yo soy amor y misericordia. Ven a mí, curaré tus heridas. No los voy a castigar, pero quiero curar sus corazones heridos. Déjame hacerlo por ti. Y créeme.* A lo largo de su vida, Jesús respondió con misericordia a las personas en todos los ámbitos de la vida. Consoló a una viuda cuyo único hijo acababa de fallecer para decirle: ¡no llores! Se hizo amigo de ricos y pobres, recaudadores de impuestos, prostitutas, leprosos y gentiles. Resucitó a los muertos. Sanó a los enfermos, dio vista a los ciegos y alimentó a los hambrientos. Se entristeció cuando murió su amigo y perdonó a las personas que lo crucificaron. *Dijo: Bienaventurados los misericordiosos, porque se te mostrará misericordia.*

Sí, todos necesitamos misericordia. ¿Qué es la misericordia? La misericordia proviene de la palabra en Latin: Misericordia *miserere* ("piedad" o "miseria") y *cordia* ("corazón"). Entonces, Misericordia significa el sufrimiento del corazón, un tipo de compasión, una identificación profunda y amorosa con las personas en su sufrimiento. Tener misericordia significa que entramos en el sufrimiento de la otra persona. Sentimos el dolor de la otra persona y nos colocamos dentro del corazón y la mente de la otra persona. Cuando eso sucede, nos sentimos impulsados a responder de manera misericordiosa.

La vida está llena de desafíos y pruebas. Encontramos estas luchas porque demuestran nuestra incapacidad para vivir nuestras vidas como deseamos. Esta pandemia nos recuerda que somos impotentes; somos vulnerables. Por eso clamamos hoy, **Jesús, en Ti Confío**. Él hará que pasen nuestros días de tormenta y la paz volverá. Entonces, llevemos nuestras luchas a Jesús. Conoce las luchas y los dolores de este mundo; Sabe lo que es sufrir. Pero ahora, con la resurrección de Cristo, el sufrimiento tiene un valor redentor. Ahora, los sufrimientos que sufrimos, grandes o pequeños, se pueden unir al sufrimiento de Jesús en la Cruz, el acto que salvó al mundo. Y así, ya sea que estemos preocupados por nuestra apariencia, nuestra salud o nuestro sustento, podemos entrar en la lucha, sabiendo que Cristo está con nosotros, nos ayudará a transitar este camino, porque puede haber bien que salga de estos días. . Por eso oramos: *Por tu dolorosa pasión. Ten piedad de nosotros y del mundo entero.*

P. Thi Hoang

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Congratulations and prayers to the following members
of our community who received sacraments at the
Easter Vigil:

Malaika Ignacio, Christopher Barrett, Gabrielle Barrett,
Arturo Zarco, Jeriamias Gomez,
Angelica Torres Lacayo



Today Is Divine Mercy Sunday!



Jesus, we
trust in
You!



The 2021 Bishop's Appeal
has officially launched!

Our goal this year is:
\$35,600

Please help us reach our
goal!



Cuidate y protege a tu familia



¡Vacúñate Contra el COVID -19!

La Clínica ofrece la vacuna a la comunidad del condado de Contra Costa. Son elegibles las personas que cumplen con una de las siguientes categorías.

• Personas de 65 años o más	
que lloros que trabajan en:	
• Trabajadores de IHHS (Servicios de salud en casa)	
• Maestros Cuidado infantil (babysitting)	
• Restaurantes tiendas de comida	
• Trabajo del campo o jardinería	

Inscríbase en las lista de interés para referirle, personal de La Clinica le llamará para darle una cita.

Si prefiere, puede llamar al (925)363-2000 y hacer cita.

INCOME FOR MARCH, 2021

Plate Collections	\$39,232
Unrestricted Donations	2,510
Restricted Donations	6,138
Ministry Income	3,810
Other income	2,815
 TOTAL INCOME	 \$54,505

EXPENSES FOR MARCH, 2021

Administration	\$27,014
Parish Property	13,325
Rectory Living	1,389
Priests	6,676
Liturgy & Music	8,425
Children, Youth & Adult Formation/CYO	3,123
Fund Raising	2,100
Depreciation	2,432
 TOTAL EXPENSES	 \$64,484

MONTH RECAP

INCOME	\$54,505
EXPENSES	\$64,484

EXPENSES OVER INCOME AT MONTH END:**\$ 9,979****SECURITY GATE UPDATE**

The security gates are up. We have begun securing the property daily and all of the broken windows have been replaced. At this time, the gates are open from 6:30 am to 7 pm daily.

On weekends, we will open all the gates. On the weekdays, we open the main gate for ingress and egress. We will inform you of any changes as we monitor how this plan is working out.



Thank You

We wish to sincerely thank everyone who had a hand in making our Lenten and Easter Seasons the solemn and beautiful celebrations we experienced-from the Arts and Environment Ministry, Music Ministry to the Liturgy Committee, Liturgical Ministers, to the livestream people, to those who helped clean up the church and maintain our grounds and to all who participated in any way in person or virtually. You have all helped in our mission of living and sharing the love of Christ.

Alleluia! We are an Easter People!

Mass Intentions

April 12-18

Mass Intentions For The Week



Mon	7:30 am	Birthday of Patricia V. Fernandez †
Tue	7:30 am	Laurena Luna Espiritu †
Wed	7:30 am	Raul S. Zamora †
Thu	7:30 am	Lucy Laxa †
Fri	7:30 am	Jose G. Abad
	7:00 pm	OLG
Sat	8:00 am	Francisca & Ricardo Tan John Vitalie †
Sat	5:30 pm	Sancho Alesna Sr. †
Sun	8:00 am	Ann Aceves †
	10 am	Melencio B, Felisa M, & Troy Carrillo, Angel B Smith†
	12 pm	Capupus Family
	3 pm	For the People

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Prayer for a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose love.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.

Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**Acts 3:13-18, 17-19, 1 John 2:1-5A,
Luke 24:35-48**

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

BISHOP'S APPEAL



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As we celebrate 500 years of Christianity in the Philippines, we are selling this combo souvenir mug and mask for just \$20. Please support this fundraiser to help our parish in these difficult times.

Mug + Mask for \$20.00

We accept cash or check made payable to Church of the Good Shepherd

We also sell these new beautiful designed masks after Masses on Sundays

\$5.00 each

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Thanks for your support.



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