



SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47 (43A)
SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9 GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

FATHER KEN'S KORNER

The Feast of Divine Mercy

The Feast of Divine Mercy that the universal Church celebrates today can be traced back to the private revelations of St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Krakow, Poland. Prior to these revelations, which she later recorded under holy obedience in a diary, St. Faustina's life, though marked by personal holiness, was rather simple and unremarkable. She had only three years of formal education and devoted herself within her convent to kitchen and garden chores and to work as a porter. However, that all changed on February 22, 1931. While in prayer, St. Faustina reported seeing Jesus Christ appearing to her clothed in white, surrounded by light, with one hand raised in blessing and the other touching his chest and two distinct beams of light, one red and the other pale white, emanating from his chest where the heart would be located. She was given to understand that these two beams of light represented not only the blood and water that flowed from his heart, pierced by a Roman lance while on the cross, but that they also represented the waters of baptism and the precious gift of the Eucharist, and more generally, the outpouring of His mercy for the world. St. Faustina had the image recreated by an artist with the words "Jesus, I trust in You" appearing under the image. St. Faustina went on to spend the remainder of her life until her death in 1938 promoting the message of Divine Mercy. She did this by sharing Jesus' messages of mercy, by promoting the sacred image of Divine Mercy that she had seen and by teaching others to pray the Divine Mercy chaplet which Jesus taught her to pray. This simple prayer was given as a model for the faithful in asking for God's mercy on the world and as a way to teach even the most hardened sinners that God's mercy was available to them if they but ask. Her overall message to the world could be reduced to this: ask for mercy from God, be merciful yourself (through your actions, words and prayers) and trust that God's mercy is without limit and that He desires to give it to the world. Through St. Faustina's urgings, the Church

also ultimately established a special universal feast day celebrating Divine Mercy on the 2nd Sunday of the Easter season. This feast was first celebrated in Poland and in Vatican City but, through the work of Pope John Paul II it was finally made a universal feast, as St. Faustina had first requested, on the occasion of her canonization on April 30, 2000. The lectionary readings for this feast were already well suited for the feast as they focus on the origins of the sacrament of reconciliation.

This year on Divine Mercy Sunday there is one additional cause for celebration, as you all know by now. Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II have been canonized as the newest saints of the Church. During the canonization ceremony, according to Catholic News Service, the theme of God's mercy expressed through the lives and ministry of these two extraordinary men was emphasized and the ceremony was preceded by the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Pope John XXIII's life was spent promoting mercy in the world in a number of ways. Through the Vatican II Council that he called, he promoted mercy by placing greater emphasis on the evangelizing role of the Church so that those who hungered for the Good News might stand a better chance of receiving it. He promoted Christian unity and more open dialog between Christians and non-Christians and, at every turn, he worked toward establishing world peace, an end to the nuclear race, and a greater protection of human rights. These, among others, are ways in which he urged the Church to become a source and teacher of mercy in the world.

Pope John Paul II has been called the great "Mercy Pope" by some since he was the Pope that canonized St. Faustina and instituted the Divine Mercy Feast. He also wrote an encyclical on Divine Mercy and said that this teaching is the one most needed by the world in our times. He later added that when the feast was established it was the happiest day of his life and that it was the achievement he would most like to be remembered for. By divine providence he even died on the final day of the Divine Mercy novena on the vigil of the feast day.

**PICTURES IN THE SANCTUARY
OF OUR NEWEST SAINTS!**

Today - Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27th, 2014 - Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II have become canonized Saints! To help celebrate this momentous day, we have placed pictures of these two new Saints in the sanctuary. The one of Pope Saint John Paul II hung in our parish offices for many years. The one of Pope Saint John XXIII has been graciously loaned to us by Don and Jean Palese and has a special history. Don Palese's aunt was in Rome just before Vatican II and procured there this beautiful picture of Pope John XXIII. Then the Pope himself blessed it! In the years before she passed away, she gave this treasure to her nephew, Don, because she knew he would always care for it. And now, today, we are blessed to have it in our sanctuary to commemorate Pope John XXIII becoming a Saint! Be sure to pause and take a look, and send up a prayer of thanks for these two holy men - Pope Saint John XXIII and Pope Saint John Paul II - who have done so much for us, the Church!

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Many dioceses right here in the United States do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. These dioceses are known as home missions. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place this weekend to support these dioceses by funding essential ministries, including seminary education and lay ministry training. Please be generous in this Appeal and share your resources to **strengthen the Church at home.**

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY SERVICE

3:00 p.m. on APRIL 27

"Jesus, I trust in you!" Tell Him this especially on Divine Mercy Sunday. Please join us for the beautifully sung Divine Mercy Service on Sunday, April 27th, at 3:00 in the church. There will be Benediction and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

St. Faustina reported Jesus saying to her, "Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion."

Join us at 3:00 on Sunday, 4/27, to celebrate the wonderful Mercy of the Lord toward us!

THE CHURCH LOOKS BEAUTIFUL!

Many thanks to BJ Buxton, Erica Baldwin, and crew for making our church so beautiful on Easter Sunday and during the Easter Season with lovely flowers and special touches. We are the happy and grateful beneficiaries of their floral talents and many hours of careful planning and work.

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE RICE BOWL
THANKS YOU!**

Our parish helped make a difference in the lives of millions of people around the world suffering from poverty and hunger. Our parish collection totaled \$2,756.67 - mostly in coin! Thank you for your generous support.



PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWLY INITIATED CATHOLICS!

Congratulations and welcome to our parish's 15 newly initiated Catholics who came into full communion of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil! They are Karen Zuniga, Jon Yackamouih, Teresa Jensen, Sharon Pugh, Joseph Espino, Yesenia Rodriguez, Kelly Kostol, Alexandra Green, Thomas Green, William Green, Infiniti Carranza, Anthony Cruthirds, Melanie Breidenthal, Sophia Torres-Martin, and Carla Kostol.

Thanks also to the RCIA team that taught and mentored them on their journey: RCIA children's catechist Shari Lloyd; teen catechists Kim O'Gara and Danielle Govenor; adult catechists Dennis Sinclair, Deacon Ron Filardi and the Fathers; and the RCIA team: Mary Jo and Bill Anderson, Don Lloyd, Cheryl Robertson, Jeannette Henault, and Kent Clinkenbeard, plus Easter Vigil hospitality coordinator Kathy Zoll. Their generosity of time and talent and their dedication to our RCIA candidates is such a blessing to our parish!

And thank you, Sacred Heart parishioners, for your prayers this year for those on the journey and your enthusiastic welcome of our newest Catholics in the months to come!

If you or someone you know might be interested in becoming a fully initiated Catholic, please give me a call to learn more about this wonderful journey of faith.

He has risen! Happy Easter! - Ann Brophy, RCIA Director



**PATRICIANS
CATHOLIC DISCUSSION**

Patricians will meet Monday, April 28th (4th Monday of the month due to Easter) at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be served. Father Michael is our Spiritual Director.

HEALING SERVICE Saturday, May 3

For those afflicted with a chronic or a temporary illness, of body or soul, a prayer service will be offered Saturday, May 3 after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Sickness drives us into ourselves and makes us feel alone. We will listen to God's words and ask Him to send His Spirit to strengthen us through the imposition of hands by the priest.



Could you not keep watch for one hour? Mk 14: 37
Please consider committing to a weekly hour of

Eucharistic Adoration.

To sign up for Adoration please call Dan or Sarah 541-582-3717.

"Jesus, I trust in You." ~ St. Faustina



SECULAR FRANCISCAN MEETING



The Secular Franciscans wish everyone a Blessed Easter. This month only we will meet on the 4th Sunday of the month starting at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will be abbreviated so that all may attend the Divine Mercy Sunday service at 3:00 p.m. God bless you! Please visit us at our website: www.stfrancis-roguevalley-ofs.com.

QUO VADIS DAYS

Attention all Catholic young men ages 13-18! Do you know where your life is going? The Lord Jesus has a great plan for you! You are invited to attend *Quo Vadis Days* camp to spend time with other young men your age looking at the Lord's call in your life while having a great time. QVD is sponsored by the Office of Vocations and led by priests and seminarians of the Archdiocese. QVD will be held from June 23-26 at Camp Howard. The cost is \$50.00. Scholarships are available, and bus transportation will be provided. Please log onto www.qvdays.org for information and to register.

PLEASE PRAY for the sick of our parish especially: Carla Janes, Margaret Mucha, Joan Bain, Fran Stuart, Dolores Harmon, Dawn De Vries, Donna Becker, Larry Beskow, Lisa Young, Annelies Boivin, John Zeleznik, Nanette Hall, Eileen Van Dyck, Pamela Demian, Patti Otto, William Cummings, Marie Casilio, Rachel Scott, Patti Wittenbrock, John Kuchler, Jennifer White, Shizuka McCue, Rita Morrell, Marge Kearney, Dick & Beverly Handley.

Please pray for the deceased of our parish, and for their families, especially: +Evelyn Mary Lou Welsh and +Founder Mother Maria de los Dolores.

7:00 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

- M. April 28: +Thomas Callahan
- T. April 29: +Ralph Cavanaugh
- W. April 30: The Forsythe Family
- Th. May 1: +Deanne Kinimaka
- F. May 2: Philip Sipress

8:30 a.m. DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

- M. April 28: +Janice Gnos
- T. April 29: +Elizabeth McCain
- W. April 30: +John Preston
- Th. May 1: The Batzer Family
- F. May 2: +Augie Schettino
- S. May 3: Austin Wisdom



LITURGY CORNER

Today is the Second Sunday of Easter, or Divine Mercy Sunday. Perhaps you might consider celebrating this Sunday of Divine Mercy by performing a secret kindness for someone who has hurt or aggravated you. Consider saying special prayers for someone, plucking some weeds in your neighbor's yard when no one is home, giving a helping hand to a co-worker, or performing some other small act of generosity, in recognition and gratitude for the merciful kindness shown to you by Our Lord.

"I became a Eucharistic Minister several years ago in another Catholic parish and really felt the presence of God. After joining Sacred Heart, I just felt I needed to (do so again.) It is such a joy for me...It is a very special call and honor to be a Eucharistic Minister. Our parish really needs you. You will also find that you receive more (than you give) if you become a Eucharistic Minister, and it would be an honor to have you."
- Sharon Anderson

Please consider becoming a Eucharistic minister or lector. You are needed. For more information or to schedule training, please call or e-mail abrophy@shcs.org. Thank you! Ann Brophy, Pastoral Associate

ST. ANNE'S ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Easter Monday Luncheon - Thanks to all who made the Annual Easter Monday Luncheon a great success!!! The Fashion Show with fashions of Christopher & Banks were well shown by your models. The fashions were of a variety in style and color. Congratulations to the winners of the Raffle Baskets, the Door Prizes and the 50/50.



Mother's Day Plant Sale - happens on Sunday, May 4th, the week before Mother's Day, after the Masses. There will be a great variety of plants, including trees, shrubs, and herbs, and indoor plants. Please take time to look over the table.

Installation of New Officers.....To be held on Saturday, May 17th, at 11:00 a.m., at the Sizzler, on Biddle Road. Make plans to attend the Installation and No Host Lunch.

WEDNESDAY WEEDERS

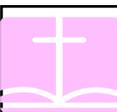
Wednesday weeders will take a break until May 14th when we will meet again at 9:30. All are welcome to join us. Please bring your own gloves and tools. We usually work for about an hour. For more information please e-mail BJ Buxton at stevenandbj@gmail.com.



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COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

Thank you for your support of the Holy Land. The collection taken up on Good Friday totaled \$1,610.69.

 **CATHOLIC BOOKSTORE/GIFTS**
 Gifts for First Communion, Confirmation, or Weddings can be purchased at DOVE Book Center, 109 Depot St., Rogue River, OR. Hours are M-F, 11- 4:30, Sat. 11- 3. For info call Louise Wall at 541-582-4680.



"VEGAS IN THE VALLEY" 2014 for Hadley Hope Fund

Join us for a fun filled evening of Vegas style gaming with your chance to win fabulous prizes, and support a great cause! **Saturday, May 17th at 5:00 p.m.** at the **Rogue Valley Country Club**. Play Texas Hold'em, Roulette, Craps and Blackjack with funny money, cash in for tickets, and enter to win great prizes at the end of the evening. Enjoy appetizers and beverage. Individual tickets may be purchased online at www.hadleyhope.com for \$45/person or \$50/person at the door, or by calling **Bryan at 541-951-5188**.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

This Sunday, April 27th, scrambled eggs & ham, biscuits & gravy, pancakes and even French toast will be served up in the Hall. Cost is \$18.00 per family, \$6.00 adults, and \$2.00 children under 10 years old. Proceeds benefit Magdalene Home.



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS

Alleluia Jesus Christ has Risen wishing you a blessed and Holy Easter Season!

All women in the parish are invited to join Catholic Daughters; our motto is "unity and charity". Catholic Daughters support each other in prayer and fellowship, we are involved in several parish events, and we support local, state and national charities.

Tuesday, May 6th is the next meeting; our guest speaker Father Jim Clifford, speaking on palliative care an area of health care that focuses on patient comfort including spiritual. We gather in church at 8:00 a.m. for the Rosary, followed by Mass, then to the hall for a light snack. **Please bring something to share,** coffee and tea will be available. Our meeting starts at 9:30. **Election of new officers takes place at this meeting.**

May is our annual **Baby Shower** for Magdalene Home. Items needed include diapers size 3 and up, bath toys and baby towels. Currently in the home a 6 month old girl, two year old toddler girl plus a mother who is expecting. Remember Mother's Day is coming and something special for the girls would be nice, an idea is a gift card to Walmart.

Financial Report

	4/13/2014	4/14/2013
Total Offertory received- this week	\$18,327.42	\$17,552.83
Offertory Received -Year to Date	\$752,317.34	\$777,083.96
Needed for Budget	\$740,266.88	\$733,018.86
Over (under) Budget	\$12,050.46	\$44,065.10

Thank you for your generous support of the parish!

MAY COFFEE & DONUTS

May 4th: Sacred Heart School
 May 18th: Catholic Daughters
 May 25th: 7:00 am:
 Dave & Rosemary Jumbeck
 8:30 am: TBA
 Come over after the 7 and 8:30 morning Masses on these Sundays and enjoy coffee and conversation!



SACRED HEART YOUTH MINISTRY!

Steubenville: There are 5 to 7 more open spots for teen women. There are 6 to 8 more open spots for teen men. Fundraising is beginning this weekend. If your youth would like to go to Steubenville please sign up THIS WEEK with youth minister Whitney Compton. There is a \$50.00 deposit with registration forms.

Joe's Camp: There are only 2 open spots for Joe's Camp. Joe's Camp is \$85.00. You can pay for or fundraise for your trip! If your youth would like to go to Joe's Camp please sign up THIS WEEK with youth minister Whitney Compton.

Chaperones are needed for both – Steubenville and Joe's Camp.

Mile Marker Fundraiser: TODAY after all Masses.

Ipad Raffle: Begins May 1st and goes through June 1st.

Tickets are being sold by many Sacred Heart Youth!

Have a Blessed Easter Season!

Totus Tuus Maria, Whitney Kay Compton.



CONFIRMATION

Our next class is Wednesday,
April 23, 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.



Sacred Heart Catholic School

is seeking an experienced, Catholic leader to continue and advance a rich heritage of Catholic Education. With an enrollment of 260 students, Sacred Heart offers a strong faith-formative community and outstanding academic programs from pre-kindergarten through the 8th grade.

Minimum Requirements:

- Practicing Roman Catholic
- 5 plus years of teaching experience
- Current (or in process) administrative license
- Master's degree in education
- Three to five years of administrative service

For complete job listing : <http://www.archdpdx.org/schools/Openings/index.html>

Position starts July 1, 2014.

Oregon 2014 Citizens Initiative

STOP TAXPAYER FUNDING FOR ABORTION

Today, approximately 4,000 abortions, are fully paid for by Oregon taxpayers. This Citizens Initiative will not restrict a woman's legal ability to choose abortion, but will insure taxpayers opposed to paying for abortions will no longer be forced to. Jackson County Right to Life volunteers are collecting signatures to get this petition on the ballot. Follow us on Facebook at the Jackson County Right to Life page... Contact Sanda Collegio at 541-779-8587 and lasanda4life@gmail.com to volunteer.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Easter season reminds us that God has the power to conquer death, which means that there is nothing God can't do! The Resurrection of Jesus gives us hope in the face of our own little "deaths" – the struggles, pains, and hurts of our lives. Easter indeed is Good News for the Christian; it brings hope when we face challenging times. The disciples had already experienced the Risen Lord at the empty tomb, on the road to Emmaus, in the Upper Room, and at the sea of Tiberius, but only at Pentecost did they begin to spread the news that "He is risen as he said!" Because the Holy Spirit is alive and well in the Church, we are called to continue that mission each day of our lives by what we say, what we do, and how we celebrate. This Easter season how will we announce the Good News to others in what we say and do each day?

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 23-27



This year's theme is Kingdom Rock with castles, knights and fair maidens. VBS is life-changing as Kids develop a rock solid faith. They discover "How to Stand Strong For

God" in every part of their lives. Kingdom Rock VBS reaches today's Kids. Everything – from the inspiring music and Bible adventures to the energizing games and Sciency-Fun Gizmos – has been intentionally designed and re-imagined to connect children's minds and hearts to one simple daily Bible Point and Saint of the Day. It is very easy for Volunteers to follow along with the script and all props and materials are supplied. To make our totally Catholic VBS work I need adult and teen volunteers. Can you help out for a morning; a couple of hours or all week?? I will need help not only during the VBS week but also before then to make sets and props. Please sign up and join in the fun while ensuring our children have a cool Catholic VBS week!!

Religious Education Classes are open to any child from Preschool -- 5th grade every Sunday at 9:50 - 11:15 a.m. at Sacred Heart School. Enrollment remains open throughout the school year. So come and join the fun!!

Contact Mary Stallard 541- 779-4661 ext: 107

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.
Monday - Saturday: 8:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday (English)

7:00 a.m.
8:30 a.m.
10:15 a.m. St. Joseph --
Jacksonville --2nd and 4th --
Sunday of the month
12:00 noon
5:00 p.m.

Sunday (Spanish)

10:15 a.m.
1:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.
or by appointment.

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***Parish Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed - 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. for lunch.***

“What does it mean that Jesus is risen? It means that the love of God is stronger than evil and death itself; it means that the love of God can transform our lives and let those desert places in our hearts bloom.” ~~ Pope Francis

Have a joyful, blessed Easter! from Sacred Heart Church Staff

