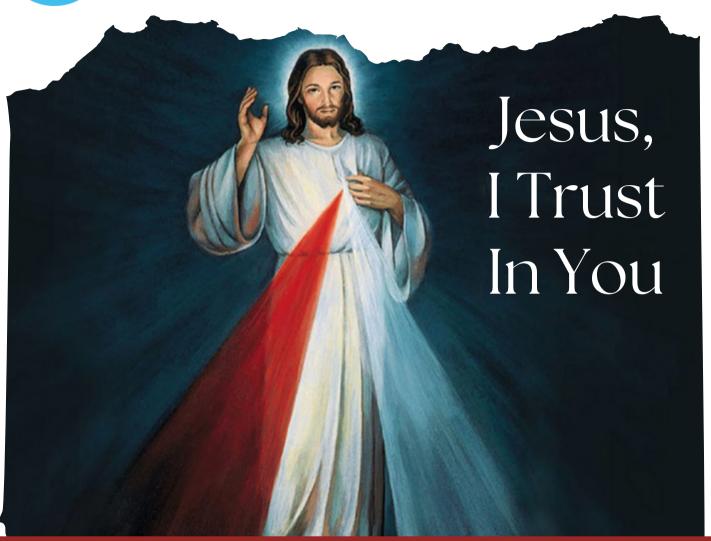


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HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD,

Opening Prayer: May Jesus who defeated death and liberated us from sin set us free from self-centeredness, doubt and fear and fill us with the faith and peace He alone can give.

The Resurrection of Jesus invites us to Trust God all the Time: Since the resurrection of Jesus is about victory over sin, death and the privilege to participate in eternal life with God, we are invited to turn to God and trust in Him in difficult situations instead of turning away from him. Sometimes we doubt or fail the trust the love and goodness of God towards us. At times we find ourselves caught up in economic hardship and begin to question God. We or someone close to us may be experiencing a life-threatening disease or have been in a bad accident that claimed their lives or made them disabled. We or someone we know may be suffering from barrenness that we cannot do anything about. Jesus himself felt terrible, lost and confused. While in the garden before his passion and on the Cross, Jesus cried out to the Father. Despite all these, Jesus did not doubt God or God's love. Nothing made sense to him, but he continued to believe in God and trust God's love. We too are called to trust God when things do not work out the way we expect. The lesson of the resurrection is a lesson of trust. When we trust and try to remain with Jesus we will be freed from every doubt, fear and death. Bearing our suffering now will enable us to be with Jesus when he returns in his glory at the end of time.

Our Faith Grows when we are Part of a Community: On Friday, Thomas made a colossal mistake when he cut himself off from the rest of the Apostles and remained alone. By cutting himself off from the other Apostles, Thomas made things more complicated for himself. When the other Apostles who were together related their encounter with the risen Lord to Thomas, he refused to take their word for it because he wanted to be sure. Although Thomas was only echoing the human cry for certainty, it remains true that in this life, there is no absolute certainty about spiritual matters. If there were, faith would not be necessary. Even though Thomas doubted until he is able to abstain certainty, he did one good thing when he decided to re-join the Apostles and he began to obtain their support. It was only when Thomas re-joined the community that he encountered the risen Jesus and found faith again. When it comes to us, it is crucial to be part and parcel of the community because the community strengthens our faith, to love God and love one another. As a believer in today's contemporary society, we need the support of each other in the community. With the community's help, we can resolve our doubts, deepen our faith and sustain our faith. We are called to live as members of a community of believers whose common faith strengthens the faith of each individual. It is not surprising that the early Christian supported each other through prayer, worshipping together and by serving each other in love and charity. Their sense of belonging enabled them to achieve wonderful things.

How the Apostles were Made Ministers of Divine Mercy: When the resurrected Jesus appeared to his disciples when Thomas was not with them, He showed them his very self and transmits to His fearful and astounded Apostles the mission of being ministers of Divine Mercy in the following words: "[Jesus] said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (John 20: 21-23). Jesus entrusted to them the gift of "forgiving sins", and as a result a wave of mercy was poured out over all humanity. By entrusting the ministry of Divine Mercy to the Apostles, Jesus was also apparently forgiving his disciples (Thomas inclusive) their failures and at the same time Jesus was also making new men of them. Divine Mercy is therefore an Easter gift which the Apostles of Jesus received from the risen Christ and offer to others who need it and ask for it.

A Day of the Infinite Mercy of God: Through Saint Sister Faustina God had desired that a day be set aside when God will make His inconceivable mercy to be available to all who seek it: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are open all the divine floodgates through which graces flow" (Diary #699). What began in 1931 through the words of the Lord Jesus to Sister Maria Faustina was finally confirmed and instituted 69 years later, on 30th April 2000, by Saint Pope John Paul II, who inaugurated the Feast of Divine Mercy, to be celebrated as a day of universal feast within the Church. Although, the grace and mercy of God is always available to us every day, the eight day of Easter, which called Divine Mercy Sunday, is a day when the grace and mercy of God is profoundly poured forth upon souls who approach the font of God's superabundant mercy. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, we obtain complete forgiveness of sins and freedom from punishment about sins committed, when we approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation and receive Holy Communion.

Closing Prayer: Almighty and living God, source of all goodness fill us with your peace and in your great mercy set us free from every self-interest, doubt and fear.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

St. Catherine St. Raphael St. Gabriel

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." John 4:13 Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

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Needed Each Week:	\$2,467.41	\$2,807.70	\$815.76	\$533.66
Needed Year-to-Date:	100,847.48	112,308.00	33,446.16	21,346.39
Actual Year-to-Date:	98,746.09	108,913.64	29,455.17	20,595.35
Date: 4/9/2023:	2,091.00	2,619.60	394.00	599.00
Other Collections:	5,183.24	1,537.50	78.00	352.00

St. Anne

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

Saturday, April 15, 2023

3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet

at St. Catherine

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(*For the Parishioners of St. Anne,

St. Catherine, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael)

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(*Dee Stiener)

7:00pm Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet

(download Zoom to join in)

Sunday, April 16, 2023 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(*Kathleen Ernster)

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(*Sharon O'Callaghan)

2:00pm Confession at St. Anne

2:45 pm Eucharistic Holy Hour for Divine

Mercy Sunday at St. Anne

Monday, April 17, 2023

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For All Our Sick Parishioners)

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

9am Mass at St. Anne

(For All Nursing Home Residents)

9:30-10:30am Adoration & Confession at St. Anne

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(*Clifford & Mary Anderson)

5:00-6:00pm Adoration & Confession

at St. Catherine

Thursday, April 20, 2023

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(*David Fortier)

9:30-10:30pm Adoration & Confession

at St. Catherine

Friday, April 21, 2023

NO MASS TODAY

Saturday, April 22, 2023

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(*William Putsky)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel

6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(*Helen Anstead)

Sunday, April 23, 2023:

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (*Joan Youngblood)

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(*Jacqueline Garrity)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ST. CATHERINE CLEANERS NEEDED!** There is a sign up sheet available at the front entrance of the church for parishioners to sign up to help clean the church. We are in great need of parishioners help. Times and dates will be on the sign-up sheet. Thank you in advance.
- **ST. ANNE CHURCH CLEANING PERSON NEEDED:** St. Anne needs Volunteers to clean the Church for June through December 2023.
- **ST. CATHERINE'S ANGEL FUND COLLECTION:** Has collected a total of \$6,670.00. If you would like to donate there are envelopes at both entrances of the church, just drop them in the collection or at the parish office.
- COFFEE & DONUTS ~ A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY SOCIAL TIME WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!

St. Catherine: Coffee and Donuts will resume in May 2023.

St. Anne: Coffee & Donuts after mass on Sundays!

St. Raphael: Refreshments will be after mass on Saturdays!

- MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE
- ALPENA ST. VINCENT de PAUL: Starting Tuesday, April 4th St Vincent de Paul Food Pantry will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays BY APPOINTMENT ONLY from 11:30 pm, with the last appointment at 2:15 pm. Each appointment will be approximately 15 minutes. For those riding together we can do up to 3 families in that 15 minute appointment time frame. Please look for the signs that will be posted for the pantry area. To schedule appointments or for any questions please call the pantry line at 989-464-6375. If no one is available please leave a message and someone will return your call.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year A)

SUNDAY:

ACTS 2:42-47, 1 PT 1:3-9, JN 20:19-31

MONDAY:

ACTS 4:23-31, JN 3:1-8

TUESDAY:

ACTS 4:32-37, JN 3:7B-15

WEDNESDAY:

ACTS 5:17-26, JN 3:16-21

THURSDAY:

ACTS 5:27-33, JN 3:31-36

FRIDAY:

ACTS 5:34-42, JN 6:1-15

SATURDAY:

ACTS 6:1-7, JN 6:16-21

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Beverly Aube - St. Catherine Bob Keen - St. Catherine Charles Carriveau - St. Catherine Cathy Skwirsk - St. Catherine Karl Miltz Sr. - St. Gabriel Pauline Short - St. Raphael Sam Rizzotto - St. Raphael Stan Sufnar - St. Raphael Christopher Troy - St. Raphael Mary Gruba - St. Anne Donald Krejcarek - St. Anne Mike Maturen - St. Anne Catherine McNeil - St. Anne Brian K. Somers - St. Anne Jason Wrush - St. Anne Wendy Wrush - St. Anne

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday:

Rev. Donald Geyman

Monday:

Rev. Joseph Graff

Tuesday:

Rev. John Greene

Wednesday:

Rev. Zeljko Guberovic

Thursday:

Rev. James Hayden

Friday:

All Deacons

Saturday:

Rev. Santiago Hoyumpa



MICHIGAN YOUNG ADULT HIKING & RAFTING PILGRIMAGE 2023

Join young adults from across Michigan for a weekend pilgrimage adventure. Enter into the peace only Jesus can give while meeting new friends and experiencing the beauty of northern Michigan this summer.

Friday, July 21 – Sunday, July 23, 2023 For ages 18-39

Open to all young adults throughout Michigan and beyond.

- Camping at Cheboygan State Park on beautiful Lake Huron
- Rafting on the Sturgeon River
- 10-mile pilgrimage hike culminating with a Eucharistic procession to the Shrine of the Cross in the Woods
- Mass, prayer, and the opportunity to meet friends and grow in your faith

Registration deadline: July 1. Spaces fill up fast.
Reserve your spot today!

Information and Registration at pilgrimage2023.eventbee.com Sponsored by the Dioceses of Detroit, Lansing, Saginaw, & Gaylord.

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JOIN US SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023 (8AM - 4PM)
AT HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

516 WEST LINCOLN STREET, EAST TAWAS, MI

"BECOMING THE MAN GOD CREATED YOU TO BE IN A POST CHRISTIAN WORLD"

Awake O sleeper; and rise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light. Ephesians 5:14

MUSIC BY: JULIUS DECHAVEZ WORSHIP
CONFESSION WILL BE AVAILABLE

GUEST SPEAKERS



PETER HERBECK



DR. MARCUS PETER



JIM O'DAY