# ST. MARY OF THE ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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#### Mass Schedule

Weekdays Tuesday-Friday 8:30AM, Saturday Evening 4:00PM Sunday Morning 9:00AM, Weekday Holy Days 9:00AM & 6:00PM

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday Evening 3:00PM - 3:45PM Thursday Morning 9:00AM - 10:00AM

#### Adoration

Thursday Morning 9:00AM concluding with Benediction at 10:00AM

For weddings, contact the office six months in advance

Other Sacraments, contact the office Religious Education, contact the office

April 16, 2023

# **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love is everlasting. Psalm 22





#### Saturday, April 15 Mass at 4:00PM

Saturday Within The Octave Of Easter For: Tom Mann (L) By: Rura Family **Sunday, April 16 Mass at 9:00AM** 

Divine Mercy Sunday

For: Living and Deceased Parishioners of

St. Mary of the Rockies

Monday, April 17 NO MASS Easter Weekday

Tuesday, April 18 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Maria Kaim (D) By: Blachut Family Wednesday, April 19 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Jozefa Blachut (D) By: Blachut Family

Thursday, April 20 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Susan Sharness (D) By: Private

Friday, April 21 Mass at 8:30AM

Easter Weekday

For: Jim McCloskey (D) By: Family Saturday, April 22 Mass at 4:00PM

Easter Weekday

For: Living and Deceased Parishioners of

St. Mary of the Rockies

Sunday, April 23 Mass at 9:00AM

Third Sunday Of Easter

For: Sarah Beall (D) By: Rura Family

Bret Melby, Alma Jerome, Tom Mann, Lauren Kott Jorgensen, Jean Poppe,

Frank Berardi

We encourage parishioners to pray for our friends and family members. Contact the office with requests to add or remove names, 303-838-2375.

Names will remain on this list for four (4) weeks unless otherwise requested.

May Jesus, the Divine Physician, restore them to the fullness of life and health and liberate them from all afflictions, let us pray to the Lord.

# Readings for the week of April 16



Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;

1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31: Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

**Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15 **Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

**Friday:** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

### THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

"Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak." St. Anthony of Padua

We as a family of faith encourage the full and active participation of all members in Worship of our God, by learning about and sharing our Catholic faith and by developing a loving community of care and concern for one another.

#### Saturday April 22, 4:00PM Mass

EMHC: Shirley Moroney
Lector: Bob Salentine
Sacristan: Gretchen Dyson
Collections: Lynn & Bob Salentine
Sunday April 23, 9:00AM Mass
EMHC: Karen Taylor & Douglas Gould

Lector: Tom Karnowka Sacristan: J. Merritt Collections: J. Merritt

itself.

<u>April Church Linens</u> - Melanie Brown <u>Counter(s)</u>, <u>April 17</u> - Lew Maris



Fiscal Year 2022/2023
Offertory Budget: \$132,800
Weekly Offertory Budget: \$2,554

April 8/9: \$4,762 Online Giving: \$805

Difference: \$3,013 More—THANK YOU!!

2023 Returning God's Gifts Goal: \$9,211
Pledged: \$7,929 Percent of Goal Pledged: 86%
Collected: \$5,463 Percent of Goal Collected: 59%

## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounter with Jesus, and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Catholic Church.

Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun, reported visions and visitations from Jesus and conversations with Him. He asked her to paint the vision of His merciful divinity being poured from His Sacred Heart and specifically asked for a feast of Divine Mercy. To be established on the first Sunday after Easter Sunday, so that mankind would take refuge in Him.

The feast of Divine Mercy, according to the diary of Kowalska, receives from Jesus the biggest promises of grace related to the Devotion of Divine Mercy, in particular that a person who goes to sacramental confession (the confession may take place some days before) and receives Holy Communion on that day, shall obtain the total expiation of all sins and punishment. That means each person would go immediately after death to heaven without suffering in purgatory.

The devotion was actively promoted by Pope John Paul II. On April 30, 2000, the Canonization of Faustina Kowalska took place and the second Sunday of Easter was officially designated as the Sunday of Divine Mercy. John Paul II, who died in April 2005 on the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, was himself beatified on Divine Mercy Sunday, May 1, 2011 and canonized on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27,2014.

On April 22, 2001, which was one year after establishing Divine Mercy Sunday, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized its message in the resurrection context of Easter:

Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy". Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity.

More information on prayers included in the Chaplet of Divine Mercy can be found on the Unites States Conference of Catholic Bishops website:

https://www.usccb.org/prayers/chaplet-divine-mercy

Why do chicken coops have two doors?

Because if they had four
they would be chicken sedans.



# SPRING MEDITATIONS

effervescence of spring. These plants rise up from the soil with gusto every year, flowering and growing and spreading exuberantly during the warmer seasons. Then in the autumn they die back and seem to completely disappear in winter. But that's only an impression-a deceptive impression. In truth, they haven't disappeared at all. Their rootstock has simply taken refuge deep in the soil, waiting for the right time to branch out anew. You don't need to reseed flowers like asters, coneflowers, and bluebells when they grow in their native climate. They stay the course and blossom every year no matter how harsh the winter may have been. They are perennials. You can count on them, as you can count on spring

Herbaceous perennials play a key role in the glorious

Some people are like perennials. You can count on them. You know they won't abandon or betray you. Even if you don't see them or speak to them for a long while, as soon as you get back in touch it's just like it was before-no complications, no misunderstandings, no resentments. These are the perennials in human relationships, the loyal ones.

We all need loyal friends. We all need people in our lives who can put up with our flaws and

failings and still stay the course. We all need friends who know how to take refuge in the deeper soil of our sincere esteem and devotion during the wintery moments when our selfishness gets the better of us. We all need perennials.

**Reflect**— God is the creator of perennials. He envisioned their DNA and joyfully planted them in this world of spinning winters and wild springtimes. God is also the author of mercy, the most loyal friend and companion we could ever imagine. He wants to be our primary perennial. Let's give him the chance.

(Spring Meditations by John Bartunek, LC, STHD)



**Lectors/Readers** - Anyone can be a reader. There is minimal training needed to proclaim God's Word during Mass. Schedules are created quarterly and in most instances readers will only need to read once a month. It is at your direction whether you prefer to read at Saturday or Sunday Mass.

Contact the office for more information. 303-838-2375