

The Message of Divine Mercy

The *Message* of Divine Mercy is that God is merciful. He is love itself poured out for us, and He wants no one to escape that merciful love.

The message is that God wants us to turn to Him with trust and repentance while it is still a time of mercy, before He comes as the just Judge. This turning with trust to Him who is Mercy itself is the only source of peace for mankind. Turning to and imploring God's mercy is the answer to the troubled world. There is no escaping that *answer*.

The Response of Trust and Conversion

What God most wants of us is to turn to Him with *trust*. And the first act of trust is: *receive* His mercy. To trust God is to rely on Him who is mercy itself. The Lord wants us to live with trust in Him in all circumstances. We trust Him because He is God, and He loves us and cares for us.

His mercy is always available to us, no matter what we have done or what state we are in, even if our sins are as black as night, and we are filled with fears and anxieties.

The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to my mercy (Diary 723)

But there is more we can do. As Catholics, as Christians, we can go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and be reconciled to God and to man. The Lord wants us to live reconciled with Him and one another.

The Response of Mercy Toward Others

Not only are we to *receive* His mercy, but we are to *use* it. We use God's mercy in what are known as the Corporal and Spiritual works of Mercy.

The *Corporal Works of Mercy* are: feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, sheltering the travelers, comforting the prisoners, visiting the sick, and burying the dead. The *Spiritual Works of Mercy* include teaching the ignorant, praying for the living and dead, correcting sinners, counseling those in doubt, consoling the sorrowful, bearing wrongs patiently, and forgiving wrongs willingly.

Begin your day with the following prayer so that nothing gets wasted—it all goes to God:

The Morning Offering

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father. Amen.

Friday Meatless Suppers and Stations of the Cross

- St. Peter:** Stations, 6:30 p.m.; soup/bread supper, 7:35 February 19, 26; March 4, 11, 18
(Stations are bilingual; need English leader on Feb 19)
- St. Anne:** Soup/bread supper, 5:30 p.m. Stations, 6:45 March 11
- St. Bernard:** Soup supper, 5:30 p.m. Stations, 6:45 February 26; March 18
- Our Lady:** Soup/bread supper, 5:30 p.m. Stations, 6:45 March 4

(No Stations on Feb 19 at OLS, StA, or StB; please attend the PRC banquet.)

Religious Education Closing Mass (Open to All)

Mass this Thursday at 6:35 p.m. at OLS

Calendar of Events

- Feb 14 (Sun).** Spanish Mass at Our Lady at 1 p.m.
- Feb 19 (Fri).** PRC Banquet at Younplife
- Mar 13 (Sun).** Spanish Mass at Our Lady at 1 p.m.
- Apr 10 (Sun).** Spanish Mass at Our Lady at 1 p.m.

Mass Collections, February 6 – 7

St. Anne	\$ 2569
St. Bernard	2653
Our Lady of the Snow	1287
St. Peter	313
St. Ignatius	318
Total	\$ 7140

Vocations Prayer Calendar; February

Please pray for our seminarians every day.

Sat--John Mrozek II & John Paul Almeida

Sun--Juan Manuel Madrid & Mateusz Ratajczak

Mon--Connor Lyle

Tue--Roberto Rodriguez & Shannon Thurman

Wed--Shaun Galvin & Tomislav Tomic

Thu--Boguslaw Rebacz & Fernando Freddy Londono

Fri--Increase in vocations to priesthood/religious life

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

KEY: StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard;

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

- Sat, Feb 13, StA, 5 p.m., John and Cynthia Corlett
- Sat, Feb 13, StB, 7:30 p.m., Chris and Annette Bergeon
- Sun, Feb 14, StB, 7 a.m., Parishioners and visitors
- Sun, Feb 14, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Stephen/Lisa Gatschet
- Sun, Feb 14, OLS, 1 p.m. (Span.), +Mgsr. W. Jones 5

Weekday Masses (see extra Masses listed in bold)

- Mon, Feb 15, StA, 8:30 a.m., Chris and Annette Bergeon
- Tue, Feb 16, OLS, 7:30 a.m., John and Carolyn Murphy
- Wed, Feb 17, StB, 8:30 a.m., George/Christine Eastment
- Thu, Feb 18, OLS, 6:35 p.m., +George Atencio**

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StI and StJ

KEY: StI = St. Ignatius (Walden); StJ = St. Peter

- Sat, Feb 13, StI, 4 p.m., Tim and Barb Lytle
- Sun, Feb 14, StJ, 10 a.m., Parishioners and visitors