

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 27, 2025

Devotional in the Church

2:30PM - 4:00PM

*Rejoice in the
Resurrection*

*Rejoice in
God's Mercy*

*"On that day the very depths of My
tender mercy are open. I pour out a
whole ocean of graces upon the souls
who approach the Font of My Mercy."*

(Jesus to Saint Mario Faustina Kowalska. *Diary*. paragraph #699)

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!



The Feast of Mercy - A Day of Extraordinary Grace

The First Sunday after Easter

In a series of revelations to Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord repeatedly called for the celebration of the Feast of Mercy on the first Sunday after Easter. He promised an ocean of graces to be poured upon the world. Today, we know this feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

“I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy” (299).

Every family needs God’s mercy. Lenten prayers, fasts, alms giving, and good deeds afford us the opportunity to prepare well for extraordinary graces on Divine Mercy Sunday.

“No soul that has called upon My mercy has ever been disappointed or brought to shame” (1541).

Jesus to St. Faustina:

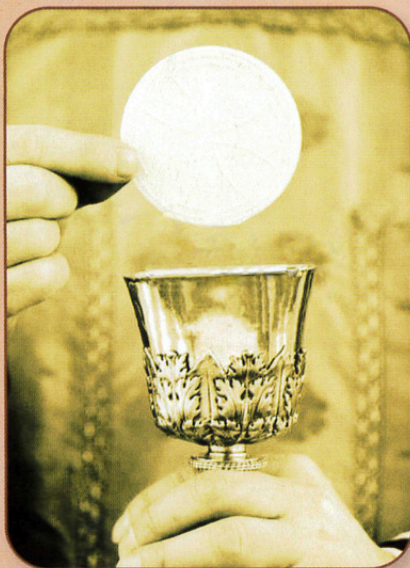
“My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet” (699).



St. Maria Faustina Kowalska
1905 - 1938

“Ordinarily, only the sacrament of Baptism effects in the soul the ‘complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.’ Reception of the Eucharist in a state of grace ordinarily remits only venial sin, while strengthening the soul against both venial and mortal sin (Catechism, 1394-1395). But on Mercy Sunday reception of Holy Communion worthily and with trust in God’s Mercy pours out upon the soul a complete renewal of baptismal grace.” - Rev. Ignacy Rozycki, STD, Former Member of the Holy See’s International Theological Commission

Turn to the Lord with trust for all of your needs, spiritual as well as temporal. Ask for much and join the hundreds of thousands that have received hope, healing and answers to many prayers on this special day. Rejoice in the Resurrection. Rejoice in God’s Mercy.



How to Receive the Graces of Divine Mercy Sunday

To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good confession beforehand and staying in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy.

By these conditions, our Lord is emphasizing the value of confession and Holy Communion as miracles of mercy. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

In addition, if we want to receive mercy we must be merciful. Our Lord told St. Faustina:

“Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy” (742).