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MASS TIMES

Monday - Saturday: 7:45 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:45 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 7:45 a.m. Mass (unless Fr. Chris is away). Fr. Chris is receptive to being approached after the Weekday Masses as well (not on Sundays).

ADORATION

Holy Cross Perpetual Adoration Chapel
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Family Adoration (Friday)

Fridays at 7:00 p.m. in the church

1st Friday of the Month Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

1st Saturday of the Month Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

3rd Friday of the Month Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

PARISH CENTRE OFFICE

Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

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PARISH BULLETIN

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY • April 8th, 2018

This is a beautiful day of Grace!!! ...
(see below)

The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

This Sunday is the amazing Feast of Divine Mercy, instituted by Pope Saint John Paul II in 2000. In that year, he canonized Sister Faustina - making her the first canonized saint of the new millennium - and established "Divine Mercy Sunday" as a special title for the Octave Sunday of Easter for the universal Church.

In #699 of Saint Faustina's Diary is given "the extraordinary promise":

"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 all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity."

As we know, our sins are forgiven in the valid Sacrament of Reconciliation, and the *eternal* punishment due to sin is GONE. But unless we have the **most perfect** contrition for sin at the time, there remains some *temporal* punishment due to sin.

There are various acts which the Church has established which can gain us a plenary indulgence, which removes the temporary punishment. But, they require certain conditions be met: prayers for the Pope's intentions, confession within about 20 days (since year 2000), Holy Communion on same day, **and, no attachment to sin**, even venial! Because many of us have some bad habits that could qualify as venial sin, in that situation the *plenary* indulgence becomes only **partial** - good, but not **BEST**.

On Divine Mercy Sunday, the **complete forgiveness of sin and punishment** due to sin is a grace given by Christ! This grace is only for ourselves. But a plenary indulgence is also available on this day from the Church, which we can then apply to a holy soul in Purgatory! It is a beautiful day of Grace!!! You still need some rectification of the will, but anyone can get out of the gutter, go to Holy Communion, and receive this grace!!

And let us all, in thanksgiving, adopt for ourselves the practice of praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet frequently, even daily, for God's Mercy to continue to shower down upon us below....

Divine Mercy Sunday

First Reading: Acts 4.32-35

Second Reading: 1 John 5.1-6

Gospel: John 20.19-31



ANNOUNCEMENTS

APRIL PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

UNIVERSAL: For Those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters: That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

CWL MEETING: The next CWL meeting will be **Sunday, April 8th** in the parish centre immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are most welcome. Please call Jan at (204) 284-1630 if you have any questions.

MOM'S PANTRY: Holy Cross CWL is once again giving you the opportunity to enjoy delectable pastries, quality frozen meats, baking goods, seasonings and condiments from **Mom's Pantry**, by participating in our upcoming fundraiser. **Blue order forms will be available** at the back of the church and in the annex, the **weekend of April 14th**. **Deadline for submission of orders** along with your cheque payable to Holy Cross CWL, is **May 6th**. These can be given to any CWL member or clearly marked to the attention of the CWL and dropped into the collection basket at each Mass. **Pick up your order Sunday, May 13th**, after the 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Masses. Questions - call Jan or Izzy (204) 284-1630/(204) 233-3579. Thank you!

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY LEVEL 2 -- INTO THE HEART:

Into the Heart: A more in depth journey through Theology of the Body, an adult formation program with bestselling author Christopher West. Into the Heart will move you deeper into this life changing message, enabling you to apply and integrate it into every aspect of your life. This program is transforming lives, renewing marriages, healing deep wounds. You will be given the tools needed to live the life of greatness you were created for. Join us for the journey! This DVD and workbook study will be held in four Saturday seminars:

Saturday, March 17	10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 14	10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 12	10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 9	10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Holy Cross Multipurpose Room

COST: \$40.00 for four seminars (includes workbook and snacks)

PLEASE bring your own lunch.

To register, please contact Marianne at (204) 237-0693 or bertsavard@yahoo.com

SOLDIERS OF CHRIST HEALING MINISTRY: The Soldiers of Christ Catholic Charismatic Healing Ministry (Winnipeg Chapter) invites everyone for Healing Evangelization every 3rd Sunday of the month. The next gathering is on **April 15th at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Annex**. Come, join, and be healed by Jesus

Christ our Lord. May the Most Holy Face of Jesus shine upon us! For more information, please call Anita at (204) 930-8357.



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HCP FUNDRAISING CONCERT:

In order to continue to serve those in need at the Food Bank, as well as ourselves, we continue to **fundraise** for renovations to our parish kitchen and hall. **You can help** by purchasing tickets for our upcoming **FUNDRAISING CONCERT** on **April 15th, 2018**, given by Father Robbie McDougall on piano and Claudine St-Arnauld on violin. Buy for yourselves, or for friends and family! Tickets are available at the parish office, or by calling Cecile at (204) 253-9735 or Caroline at (204) 237-6177.

Start transforming your life and come to attend this very worthy charitable evening.

Your positive impact will support and strengthen to encourage friends and family to do the same. The importance of your generosity through shared goals is inspiring!

Bring your dancing shoes for a **FUN-FILLED SURPRISE!!!** You'll be happy you came!

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Women's Fellowship is over for the season and will resume in the fall. The Women's Fellowship Wind Up Potluck will be on **Monday, April 16th at 6:30 p.m.** in the multipurpose room. Deacon Gilles Urquhart will be the guest speaker.



HOLY CROSS PARISH MOVIE NIGHT: On **Thursday, April 19th at 7:00 p.m.** in the multipurpose room, Holy Cross Parish (252 Dubuc Street), will be hosting a Movie Night. There will be a showing of "**Facing Giants**".

\$2.00 per person and \$5.00 per family. This event is free for all youth under 18. Popcorn and drinks included.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: Just a reminder that next weekend we are asking once again for your generosity in support of our weekly Food Bank. We are in need of feminine hygiene products. Your donations help feed the needy and hungry of our community, so please be generous.

NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT - TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE: This two-day conference will bring together speakers who are leaders in the New Evangelization to provide inspiration, encouragement, training, practical wisdom and resources on how Catholics can effectively evangelize. All Catholics - pastors, missionaries, lay ministers, and the lay faithful - will benefit immensely from this powerful opportunity to be further equipped in the fundamental mission of the Church. **Streaming to Winnipeg, April 27 - 28** at the Parish of St Bernadette, 820 Cottonwood Road, Winnipeg, MB. **\$40.00 per ticket.** To purchase tickets and for more information, please visit newevangelization.ca or call (204) 255-1951.

ADORATION CHAPEL INITIATIVES: PRAYERS REQUESTED! A committee has been formed to review all aspects of our Perpetual Adoration Chapel, and discussions are underway concerning many of the areas that need reform. We humbly ask for your PRAYERS that these discussions, and the directions taken, may all be according to His Will, for His greater glory and for the betterment of our wonderful Chapel, and of Holy Cross Parish itself.



ADORATION CHAPEL: Holy Cross Parish is host to this amazing perpetual Adoration Chapel, to which faithful from across the greater Winnipeg area come to adore the True Presence - 7 days a week, 24 hours a day! There are a few time slots that we still need to fill. Please consider spending some time with our Eucharistic Lord.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. & 8:00 a.m., **Monday:** 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m., **Wednesday:** 3:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. (only to cover once a month), 8:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m., **Friday:** 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. & **Saturday:** 2:00 p.m.

We are also looking for two new Day Captains for the Adoration Chapel; one for Sunday and one for Friday. Please contact James at (204) 237-6330 for more details. Thank you!

CROWNING OF MARY! - SAVE THE DATE: There will be a 35 minute outdoor procession with a statue of our Lady of Fatima on **Sunday, May 13th after the 12:00 p.m. Mass** with the potluck to follow. All are invited to a Healing Evangelization prayer meeting which will follow the potluck. For further information, please call Anita at (204) 930-8357.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

EASTER COLLECTION: March 31 - April 1

Mass Time	Loose	Envelope	Total
Sat. 8:00 p.m.	1,068.00	(31) 880.00	1,948.00
Sun. 7:45 a.m.	413.45	(34) 920.00	1,333.45
Sun. 10:00 a.m.	458.70	(62) 1,435.00	1,893.70
Sun. 12:00 p.m.	425.10	(32) 775.00	1,200.10
			6,375.25
Pre-Authorized Donations *45 registered donating on different schedules, spread over all Masses			1,492.50
TOTAL			7,867.75
GOOD FRIDAY (HOLY LAND)			TOTAL 1,185.00

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun.	Apr. 08	CWL Meeting	11:00 a.m.
Mon.	Apr. 09	T.O.P.S.	6:15 p.m.
		FHE Preparation	6:30 p.m.
		Adoration Chapel Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wed.	Apr. 11	Children's Atrium	9:30 a.m.
		Sacramental Prep Class	6:00 p.m.
		Building Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Apr. 12	Holy Cross School Science Awards Ceremony	3:15 p.m.
		Children's Atrium	4:30 p.m.
Sat.	Apr. 14	Youth Group	7:00 p.m.
		R.C.I.A.	7:30 p.m.
		Theology of the Body Retreat	10:30 a.m.
		Jesus Youth Meeting	6:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Holy Rosary will be prayed daily at 7:15 a.m. (Mon - Sat)
 Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed daily after the 7:45 a.m. Mass (Mon - Sat) & at 9:45 a.m. (Sunday)
 Novena to OLPH will begin on the 2nd Wednesday of each month following the 7:45 a.m. Mass
 1st Friday, 1st Saturday & 3rd Friday Devotion will be prayed following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

Saturday, April 7: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

5:00 p.m. + Scott Clark by Carla & Alex Fleming & family

Sunday, April 8: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

7:30 a.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 7:45 a.m. For the Intentions of All Parishioners
 9:45 a.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 10:00 a.m. + Manuel Decebal-Cuza Hernandez by Monica
 11:45 a.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 12:00 p.m. + Thomas O'Brien by Erin & family

Monday, April 9: SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

7:45 a.m. + Jean Henri DeMaré by Chantal DeMaré & Lawrence Wozney

Tuesday, April 10

7:45 a.m. + Auguste Thorimbert by Marie Thorimbert

Wednesday, April 11: MEMORIAL FOR ST. STANISLAUS

7:45 a.m. + Jean Agnes Pitre by her family
 7:00 p.m. Emmaus Prayer Group

Thursday, April 12

7:45 a.m. + Anthony Buccini by Monica
 2:00 p.m. St. Boniface High School Easter Mass

Friday, April 13

7:45 a.m. + Deceased Family & Friends by Aaron Afonso & Joana D'Sousa
 7:00 p.m. Family Adoration

Saturday, April 14

7:45 a.m. + Deceased Members of the Tabing & Castillo Family by Raul Tabing
 10:30 a.m. Theology of the Body Retreat

Saturday, April 14: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:00 p.m. + Deceased Members of the Blair family by John & Helen Rousseau

Sunday, April 15: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:45 a.m. + Crispin & Edgar by Tina Battad
 9:45 a.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 10:00 a.m. For the Intentions of All Parishioners
 12:00 p.m. + Jean Tokar by the Tokar family

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