 **Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**

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**SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.**

**We consider the safety and wellbeing of all persons to be our highest priority.**

We too acknowledge that children, young people and adults at risk may require additional safeguards to promote their participation, wellbeing and safety.

Clergy, employees and volunteers are committed to upholding the right to safety of all persons. They must participate in creating a culture of safety supported by policies, practices and procedures that strive to prevent abuse in the first instance and to respond appropriately and effectively if abuse does occur. We respect the human dignity of each person and strive to create an inclusive and welcoming Church that enables its people to grow and develop in their faith freely and in a caring and supportive environment.

**Mass Times**

**Sunday:** 9.00 am and 10.30 am

**Saturday:** 6.00 pm & 8.00 pm **(Vigil)**

**Daily Mass:** 9.00 am **(Mon – Fri)**

**First Friday:** 9.00 am **(Mass & Anointing of the Sick)**

**Reconciliation:** 10.30 am – 11.00am **(Sat or on request)**

**Rosary:** Mon-Fri after 9.00 am Mass

**Benediction and Rosary:** Fri after 9.00 am Mass till11.00am

**Legion of Mary:** Sat after 9 am Mass

**Neocatechumenal Way:** Tues, Wed & Thurs 8 pm, and Saturday 8 pm

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| **Divine Mercy Sunday April 27/28** | **6.00 pm Mass** | **9.00 am Mass** | **10.30 am Mass** |
| **Lector** | Angelina Robinson | Cheryl Juelg | Conrad Lobo |
| **Minister of Communion** |   |  |  |
| Fr Vittorio Ricciardi | Fr Vittorio Ricciardi  | Fr Vittorio Ricciardi  |
|  |  | Marylou James |
| **Offertory Procession** | Christine Banerjee Carol Hillen | Rick Thomas Marie Thomas | Paula Campbell Michael Devola |

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Christian James; Filippo and Sara, Joe Harb, Sophia, Daniel Rivalland, Georgette Kheir, Christine Banerjee, Ettore Poletta, Francesco Paolo Ricciardi, Gemma Foster, Victoria Foster; Millie D’Alton, Claire Posten, James Morrison, Catalina Morrison,; Rosa Maria Santos,Ben, Mary Muscat, Patrick Lakagreagrow, Brian Tierney, , Carmel Kanci, Jo Arena, Pam Montgomery, Helen Mille; Jason Denis; Mary Westhead; Rosa Nistico, Margaret Denis; Arthur Astarlis, , Lourenca Fernandes, Prithie Pereira, Madison Kelly, Pat Flarve.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

**John allan & Marcia Barry; Lynette Maher; Giovanni Lentini; John McLean;**: Mickey Mascarenhas**;** Vincent & Tina Giglio; Louisette Harris; Connie Kilpatrick, Nelson Trapani; Jim Walsh; Miriam Proctor; Elva Ebdon, Vince Giglio, John Rivalland,Douglas Gonsalves, Charlotte Godfrey, Linda D’Souza; Felix Lobo, Margaret Herbstreit; Trevor Anthony Fernandez,Pauline Burke, Sandra Highland, Rudolph D’Souza, Michelle Fowler, Sam Molino, Margherita M. La Macchia, Joan Elliot, Archimede Camba, Denzel D’Souza, Melissa D’Souza John Noal, Lorraine Thompson, Peg Smith, Gladys DeRosario, Molly Wintle, Florencio David Sr, Kathy Taranto, Maureen Collins, John Palamara, May Ray, Milan Lozo, Albert & Hillary D’Souza; Shannon Baker; Margaret Dowsey, Janine Capiron; George Tickner; Jack Foley; Marie Rivalland; Sheila McKenna; Peter Dunne; Tony Molloy; Dulcie Jopling; Gerard Bourke, Alfred Foster, Joan Mealing; Judith Buckley; Genevieve Rodrigues Jean Allday; Gloria James; Earnie Breznik; Margaret Daveron; Patrick & Maurice Kelly; Edward Majda; Elizabeth Mary McKay; John H. Moloney; +Fr. Frank Maher; +Fr. Victor Crennan.

**Thanksgiving Collection Weekend: 04/04/2021 – $502.00**

**Loose Money: 04/04/2021 – $669.10**

**Once again thank you for your generosity. My dear Parishioner**

**Mon: 12th Apr, St. Julius**

**Tue: 13th Apr, St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr**

**Wed: 14th Apr, St. Peter Gonzales**

**Thu: 15th Apr, St. Paternus of Wales**

**Fri: 16th Apr, St. Bernadette Soubirous**

**Sat: 17th Apr, St. James of Cerqueto**

**Divine Mercy Sunday 11 April 2021**

In 2002, Pope John Paul II entrusted the whole world to the Mercy of God; and proclaimed Divine Mercy as the answer to all the world’s problems. Pope John Paul died on the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, leaving us this beautiful feast day, which is one of the greatest treasures of the Church.

This sacred day, allows the Faithful to obtain a PLENARY indulgence by following three conditions and devotions:

1. Sacramental Confession (within the octave of Divine Mercy)

2. Eucharistic Communion,

3. Prayer for the Intentions of Our Holy Father, the Pope.

These must be done in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for sin, even a venial sin, and take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy. OR, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you); (Note: this plenary indulgence is applicable to the souls in Purgatory).

**Divine Mercy Sunday Program**

**RECONCILIATION: Saturday 10th April 10:30am / Sunday 11th April 8:30am- 9am / 10am-10:30am**

**Mass10:30am - Parish Mass and blessing of Divine Mercy image, followed by Adoration, Benediction and Chaplet.**

**DIVINE MERCY IMAGE**

The origins of this image are associated with the vision that Saint Faustina of the Congregation of Our Lady of Mercy had in the convent in Poland on 22nd February, 1931.

She wrote in her diary, "In the evening, when I was in my cell, I saw the Lord Jesus clothed in a white garment. One hand [was] raised in the gesture of blessing, the other was touching the garment at the breast. From beneath the garment, slightly drawn aside at the breast, there were emanating two large rays, one red, the other pale . . . After a while, Jesus said to me, "Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature; Jesus I Trust in You. I desire that this image be venerated first in your chapel and then throughout the world." (Diary 47)

"**I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory." (Diary 48)**

**Jesus, when asked what the rays meant said, "The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls . . . Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter." (Diary 299)**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - ALSO known as DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**Reflection on the Gospel John 20: 19-31**

In today’s Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus also commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun. As Jesus was sent by God, so too does Jesus send his disciples. This continuity with Jesus’ own mission is an essential element of the Church. Jesus grants the means to accomplish this mission when he gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit binds us together as a community of faith and strengthens us to bear witness to Jesus’ Resurrection.

Forgiveness and reconciliation are gifts to us from Jesus and the Holy Spirit. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share these with others. This is another essential aspect of what it means to be Christ’s Church. The Church continues Jesus’ ministry of forgiveness and reconciliation.

This is the first duty of the cHurch: to evangelise. Annoucing the Gospel to all the nations id the duty of all the baptised.