

Feast of the Divine Mercy Prayers

Blessing of Religious Items

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Processional Hymn: At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King, who hath washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side; praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred Blood for wine, gives his Body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, Paschal bread; with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from on high, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie; thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light: now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall; thou hast opened paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.

Easter triumph, Easter joy, sin alone can this destroy; from sin's power do thou set free souls newborn, O Lord, in thee. Hymns of glory and of praise, Risen Lord, to thee we raise; Holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

Introductory Rites

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Priest:

Dear friends in Christ,

The Lord is full of mercy and compassion.

As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday,

We rejoice in the Lord's outpouring of forgiveness and healing.

Through our baptism, we share in the death of Christ and were buried with Him.

May we also come to share in His Resurrection.

Let us pray.

(pause for silent prayer)

God of Infinite Mercy, you chose your humble servant St. Faustina to be the Apostle of Divine Mercy in our time. Through her intercession may we come to trust in you and your unfathomable mercy more fully. We place before You today our needs, the needs of our families, our parish, and of the whole world, and we ask you to look kindly upon them. Help us grow ever stronger in our faith that we might put into practice works of mercy in our daily lives. We make this prayer, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Rite of Exposition

O Salutaris Hostia

O salutaris Hostia, Quae caeli pandis ostium: Bella premunt hostilia, Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino Sit sempiterna gloria, Qui vitam sine termino Nobis donet in patria. Amen. O saving Victim, opening wide, The gate of heaven to man below! Our foes press on from every side; Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

To Thy great name by endless praise, Immortal Godhead, one in Three; Oh, grant us endless length of days, In our true native land with Thee. Amen.

Consecration to Jesus, King of Mercy (English)

Invocation to the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, fill me with Your love (peace) (joy) Holy Spirit, take my heart and keep it Close to the Father, close to the Son, Holy Spirit, make us one in love (peace) (joy).

Prayer to the Mother of God

O Mary, my Mother and my Lady, I offer You my soul, my body, my life and my death, and all that will come after it. I place everything in Your hands. O my Mother, cover my soul with Your virginal mantle and grant me the grace of purity of heart, soul and body. Defend me with Your power against all enemies, and especially against those who hide their malice behind the mask of virtue. Fortify my soul that pain may not break it. Mother of Grace, teach me to live by God's power.

O Mary... a terrible sword has pierced Your holy soul. Except for God, no one knows of Your suffering. Your soul does not break, it is brave, because it is with Jesus. Sweet Mother, unite my soul to Jesus, because it is only then that I will be able to endure all trials and tribulations, and only in union with Jesus will my little sacrifices be pleasing to God. Sweetest Mother, continue to teach me about the interior life. May the sword of suffering never break me. O Pure Virgin, pour courage into my heart and guard it. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A reading from the Letter of Paul to Titus: (Titus 3:3-8)

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, despicable, hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we have done, but according to His mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. The saying is sure.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118

Response: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever.

Alleluia!

Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let the house of Aaron say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let those who fear the Lord say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."

The stone that the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; It is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
We bless you from the house of the Lord.
The Lord is God,
And he has given us light.

A Reading from the Diary of St. Faustina: (Diary, 699)

"On one occasion, I heard Jesus say these words to me: 'My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a 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 Font 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 graces flow, are open. 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 human or angelic, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity.

Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity."

Prayer for the Grace to be Merciful

O Most Holy Trinity! As many times as I breathe, as many times as my heart beats, as many times as my blood pulsates through my body, so many thousand times do I want to glorify Your mercy.

I want to be completely transformed into Your mercy and to be Your living reflection, O Lord. May the greatest of all divine attributes, that of Your unfathomable mercy, pass through my heart and soul to my neighbour.

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbours' souls and come to their rescue.

Help me, that my ears may be merciful, so that I might give heed to my neighbours' needs and not be indifferent to their pains and moaning.

Help me, O Lord, that my tongue may be merciful, so that I many never speak negatively of my neighbour, but have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all.

Help me, O Lord, that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbours and take upon myself the more difficult and toilsome tasks.

Help me, O Lord, that my feet may be merciful, so that I may hurry to assist my neighbour, overcoming my own fatigue and weariness. My true rest is in the service of my neighbour.

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful, so that I myself will feel all the suffering of my neighbour. I will refuse my heart to no one. I will be sincere even with those who, I know, will abuse my kindness. And I will lock myself up in the most merciful Heart of Jesus. I will bear my own sufferings in silence. May Your mercy, Lord, rest upon me.

You, Yourself, command me to exercise the three degrees of mercy. The first: the act of mercy, of whatever kind. The second: the word of mercy. The third: prayer – if I cannot show mercy by deeds or words, I can always do so by prayer. My prayer reaches out even there where I cannot reach out physically.

O my Jesus, transform me into Yourself, for you can do all things. Amen.

Prayer of St. Francis

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord. And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned. Where there is darkness only light, And where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh, Master grant that I many never seek So much to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand. To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace In giving to all men that we receive. And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Sr. Faustina's Prayer for Sinners

O Jesus, eternal Truth, our Life, I call upon You and I beg Your mercy for poor sinners. O sweetest Heart of my Lord, full of pity and unfathomable mercy, I plead with You for poor sinners. O Most Sacred Heart, Fount of Mercy from which gush forth rays of inconceivable graces upon the entire human race, I beg of You light for poor sinners. O Jesus, be mindful of Your own bitter Passion and do not permit the loss of souls redeemed at so dear a price of Your most precious Blood. O Jesus, when I consider the great price of Your Blood, I rejoice at its immensity, for one drop alone would have been enough for the salvation of all sinners. Although sin is an abyss of wickedness and ingratitude, the price paid for us can never be equalled. Therefore, let every soul trust in the Passion of the Lord, and place its hope in His mercy. God will not deny His mercy to anyone. Heaven and earth may change, but God's mercy will never be exhausted. Oh, what immense joy burns in my heart when I contemplate Your incomprehensible goodness, O Jesus! I desire to bring all sinners to Your feet that they may glorify Your mercy throughout endless ages. Amen.

A Prayer for Divine Mercy

O Greatly Merciful God, Infinite Goodness, today all mankind calls out from the abyss of its misery to Your mercy — to Your compassion, O God; and it is with its mighty voice of misery that it cries out. Gracious God, do not reject the prayer of this earth's exiles! O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, Who are acquainted with our misery through and through, and know that by our own power we cannot ascend to You, we implore You: anticipate us with Your grace and keep on increasing Your mercy in us, that we may faithfully do Your holy will all through our life and at death's hour. Let the omnipotence of Your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as Your children, await Your [Son's] final coming — that day known to You alone. And we expect to obtain everything promised us by Jesus in spite of all our wretchedness. For Jesus is our Hope: through His merciful Heart, as through an open gate, we pass through to heaven (Diary, 1570).

Litany in Praise of The Divine Mercy

Response: I trust in You

Divine Mercy, gushing forth from the bosom of the Father,

Divine Mercy, greatest attribute of God,

Divine Mercy, incomprehensible mystery, of the Most Blessed Trinity,

Divine Mercy, unfathomed by any intellect, human or angelic,

Divine Mercy, from which wells forth all life and happiness,

Divine Mercy, better than the heavens,

Divine Mercy, source of miracles and wonders,

Divine Mercy, encompassing the whole universe,

Divine Mercy, descending to earth in the Person of the Incarnate World,

Divine Mercy, which flowed out from the open wound of the Heart of Jesus,

Divine Mercy, enclosed in the Heart of Jesus for us, and especially for sinners,

Divine Mercy, unfathomed in the institution of the Sacred Host, Divine Mercy, in the founding of Holy Church, Divine Mercy, in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Divine Mercy, in our justification through Jesus Christ, Divine Mercy, accompanying us through Jesus Christ, Divine Mercy, embracing us especially at the hour of death, Divine Mercy, endowing us with immortal life, Divine Mercy, accompanying us every moment of our life, Divine Mercy, shielding us from the fire of hell, Divine Mercy, in the conversion of hardened sinners, Divine Mercy, astonishment of Angels, incomprehensible to Saints, Divine Mercy, unfathomed in all the mysteries of God, Divine Mercy, lifting us of every misery, Divine Mercy, source of our happiness and joy, Divine Mercy, in calling us forth from nothingness to existence, Divine Mercy, embracing all the works of His hands, Divine Mercy, crown of all of God's handiwork, Divine Mercy, in which we are all immersed, Divine Mercy, sweet relief for anguished hearts, Divine Mercy, only hope of despairing souls, Divine Mercy, repose of hearts, peace amidst fear, Divine Mercy, delight and ecstasy of holy souls, Divine Mercy, inspiring hope against all hope.

Prayer to Saint Faustina

Jesus, You gave your servant, Saint Faustina, the gift of deep reverence for your unending mercy. We ask, if it be Your Holy Will, to grant us, through her prayers, the graces for which we fervently pray... (pause to say your intention silently).

Eternal Father, You show Your almighty power most of all in Your forgiveness and mercy. We thank You for the graces You granted Your servant, Saint Faustina. Grant that following her example and supported by her intercession, we may with complete confidence fulfill Your Holy Will in everything. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O Jesus, eternal God, I thank You for Your countless graces and blessings. Let every beat of my heart be a new hymn of thanksgiving to You, O God. Let every drop of my blood circulate for You, Lord. My soul is one hymn in adoration of Your mercy. I love you, God, for Yourself alone. Amen.

Prayer of Entrustment of the World to Divine Mercy

Leader: Together, let us recite the Prayer of Entrustment of the World to Divine Mercy:

All:

God, merciful Father, in Your Son, Jesus Christ, You have revealed Your love and poured it out upon us in the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. We entrust to You today the destiny of the world and of every man and woman.

Bend down to us sinners, heal our weakness, conquer all evil, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may experience Your mercy. In You, the Triune God, may they ever find the source of hope. Eternal Father, by the Passion and Resurrection of Your Son, have mercy on us and upon the world! Amen.

Pope John Paul, II Homily at the Dedication of the Divine Mercy Shrine in Lagiewniki, Poland August 17, 2002

Trusting the Divine Mercy of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

Response: Jesus, I trust in you.

- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the testament of God's Mercy for us and especially for sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus as proof of infinite mercy for us, and especially for poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained life eternal and of infinite mercy, dispensed in abundance to us and especially to sinners.

- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the mercy of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit toward us, and especially toward poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the infinite price of mercy which will compensate for all debts, especially those of poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the fountain of living water which springs from infinite mercy for us, and especially for poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom contained the fire of purest Love which blazes forth from the bosom of the Eternal Father, as from an abyss of infinite mercy for us, especially for poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the medicine for all our infirmities flowing from the infinite mercy, as from the fount for us, and especially for poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained the union between God and us through His infinite mercy for us, and especially for poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, in whom is contained all the sentiments of the most sweet Heart of Jesus toward us, and especially for poor sinners.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in all the sufferings and adversities of life.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of darkness and of storms within and without.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in life and at the hour of our death.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of adversities and floods of despair.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of falsehood and treason.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of darkness and godlessness which inundate the earth.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in the longing and pain in which no one will understand us.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in the toil and monotony of everyday life.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope amid the ruin of our hopes and endeavours.
- O Blessed Host, our only hope in the midst of the ravages of the enemy and the efforts of hell.

All:

O Blessed Host, I trust in You when the burdens are beyond my strength and I find my efforts are fruitless.

Most Holy Trinity, I trust in Your infinite mercy. God is my Father and so I, His child, have every claim to His Divine Heart; and the greater the darkness, the more complete our trust should be. I do not understand how it is possible not to trust in Him who can do all things. With Him, everything — without Him, nothing. He is Lord. He will not allow those who have put all their trust in Him to be put to shame.

"O Blood and Water which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in You."

O God Beyond All Praising

O God, beyond all praising, We worship You today And sing the love amazing That songs cannot repay;

For we can only wonder At every gift You send, At blessings without number And mercies without end:

And whether our tomorrows

Be filled with good or ill,

We'll triumph through our sorrows

And rise to bless You still:

We lift our hearts before You And wait upon Your word, We honor and adore You, Our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour, Accept the love we bring, That we who know Your favour May serve You as our King;

To marvel at Your beauty And glory in Your ways, And make a joyful duty Our sacrifice of praise!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (silent prayer)

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Consecration to Jesus, King of Mercy

Opening Prayer

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(Repeat three times)

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

Our Father...

Hail Mary...

I believe...

Invocation (Repeat Five Times corresponding to each decade of the Rosary)

(For each Our Father bead)

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ,

In atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. (Diary, 475)

(For each Hail Mary bead)

For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion...

Have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Concluding Doxology (Repeat three times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Optional Closing Prayers

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

Consecration to Jesus, King of Mercy (all stand)

Almighty and Eternal Father, we consecrate ourselves to Jesus, King of Mercy.

Merciful Jesus, we proclaim You King of Mercy and we enthrone Your Image in our church and home as an act of love and trust. It is our response to Your desire that souls know You as King of Mercy and venerate Your Image as the Merciful Jesus throughout the world. May it be a constant reminder of Your love and mercy and Your promise to work in hearts that are open to You.

Strengthen our faith, deepen our trust and increase our love for You. Draw us into Your Merciful Heart, the source of all healing. Help us to trust in Your goodness. Give us the grace to live in the present moment with patience and resignation to Your Will, not dwelling on the past or living in fear of the future.

Heal the hurts and unforgiveness that prevent us from drawing closer to You. In Your mercy, help us to reconcile with You and one another. Transform us so that we reflect Your mercy in our family, our community and our world by our actions, words and prayers. Sanctify us with Your Precious Blood and refresh us with the life-giving water which flowed from Your wounded Heart.

Come Holy Spirit, teach, guide and inspire us in these times of doubt and confusion. Give us courage and perseverance in prayer. We are confident that You are always with us and our families and that through this consecration, You will bring the peace, healing and reconciliation we need in our lives.

Come Lord Jesus. Renew our hearts. Restore our families. Amen.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

St. Maria Faustina, pray for us.

Divine Mercy Consecration (Cantonese)

Benediction

Tantum Ergo

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui:

Et antiquum documentum

Novo cedat ritui:

Præstet fides supplementum

Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque Laus et iubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque

Compar sit laudatio.

Amen.

Down in adoration falling, Lo! the sacred Host we hail, Lo! o'er ancient forms departing Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith for all defects supplying, Where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father, And the Son Who reigns on high With the Holy Spirit proceeding Forth from each eternally, Be salvation, honor blessing, Might and endless majesty. Amen.

The Divine Praises (Sung in Cantonese and Recited in English)

Blessed be God.
Blessed be His Holy Name.
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.
Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.

Blessed be her Holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her Glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints.

Amen.

Recessional Hymn - Regina Caeli (Queen of Heaven)

V. Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia. V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia. R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia. V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia. R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia. V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia. R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.



Veneration of The Divine Mercy Image

As you leave the church, you are invited to venerate the Divine Mercy Image as Jesus requested by bowing and saying the words:

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU.