

# St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish



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**Pat Belgrave, Admin. Assistant**

St. Theresa's:

Monday 9:00 am—11:30 am

Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am—Noon

St. Catherine's:

Wednesday 9:00am—5:00 pm

**Cheryl Delaney, Admin. Assistant**

St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata:

Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am—Noon;

1:00 pm—4:00 pm

St. Patrick's:

Wed. & Fri. 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Religious Education Coordinators:

St. Catherine's—Donna Noddin

St. Mother Teresa—Susan Sarty

St. Patrick's—Sr. Bernadette

St. Theresa's—Sr. Lucia

## SUNDAY MASS TIMES

### St. Catherine of Siena

Sunday 11:00 am & 7:00 pm

### St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata

Saturday 4:00 pm; Sunday 10:00 am

### St. Patrick's

Sunday 10:00 am

### St. Theresa's

Saturday 4:30 pm; Sunday 9:30 am

## 2nd Sunday of Easter — April 19, 2020

### Liturgy



### Divine Mercy Sunday

"Although you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls." the first letter of St. Peter

We have experienced the sorrow and joy of Holy Week, concluding with the Resurrection of Christ. Today we come to the end of the Easter Octave on this Divine Mercy Sunday. While we come to the end of the Easter Octave, the Easter Season lasts 50 days. The joy of the season will continue to be present in the prayers of the Mass and in our hearts and prayers.

Divine Mercy Sunday is always celebrated on the Sunday following Easter. It was proclaimed in the year 2000 by Pope John Paul at the canonization of Saint Faustina, a Polish Sister who worked all her life to make known the merciful love of God. It is customary on this Sunday to gather for the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayers. These prayers can be found on the internet.

Pope Francis challenges us, in this time of COVID-19, to ban indifference, self-centredness, division and forgetfulness and to spread the "contagion of hope". Like the faithful described in the Acts of the Apostles we will continue to "devote ourselves to the teachings of the Apostles, fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayers."

## Daily Mass

As we continue to find alternate means to gather as the people of God, Archbishops Mancini and Dunn has begun to offer a livestreamed daily Mass from Monday to Friday at 8:00am from the chapel in the diocesan offices. They will also celebrate an 11:00am Mass on Sundays. Find the link to these Masses on their website <https://www.halifaxymouth.org/>

### Daily TV Mass offers Mass each day on television and the internet.

#### Atlantic Time Zone Daily TV Mass Times

##### **Vision TV**

Sunday - 9:00 AM

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM

Saturday - 9:00 AM & 10:30 AM

##### **Salt + Light**

Sunday - 12:00 PM & 11:30 PM

Monday - Saturday - 7:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM, 11:30 PM

##### **Internet**

[www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com)

[www.youtube.com/dailytvmass](http://www.youtube.com/dailytvmass)

Check your local listings for FaithTV and JoyTV

## Promises of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

When we pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy trusting in Jesus, we can receive many blessings from the Lord for ourselves and others. St. Faustina recorded in her diary many things Jesus told her about and asked her to record. Some of the things Jesus said :

**My daughter, encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you** (Diary 1541).

**Through the Chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will** (1731).

**Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death** (687).

**Say the chaplet I have taught you, and the storm will cease** (1731).

Praying the chaplet

<https://watch.formed.org/prayathome/videos/divine-mercy-chaplet-franciscan-friars-of-the-renewal>

[https://images.marianweb.net/archives/pdfs/momm/worksheets/How\\_to\\_Recite\\_the\\_Chaplet\\_D\\_K2-HS.pdf](https://images.marianweb.net/archives/pdfs/momm/worksheets/How_to_Recite_the_Chaplet_D_K2-HS.pdf)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RqP1t6cYxjU> ( Kids version)

St.Faustina and the spread of Divine Mercy

Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley- The second greatest story ever told ( episode 4)

<https://watch.formed.org/divine-mercy-with-fr-michael-gaitley/season:1/videos/faustina-and-the-spread-of-divine-mercy>

Story of Saint Faustina

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SAv4CeyU4Ao&autoplay=1&list=PL58g24NgWPIzvBk2IQVES\\_xC4WTm6-CDI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SAv4CeyU4Ao&autoplay=1&list=PL58g24NgWPIzvBk2IQVES_xC4WTm6-CDI)

## Activities for kids

-Shield of Mercy

[https://images.marianweb.net/archives/pdfs/momm/worksheets/Shield\\_of\\_Mercy\\_Craft.pdf](https://images.marianweb.net/archives/pdfs/momm/worksheets/Shield_of_Mercy_Craft.pdf)

-Hands of Mercy

[https://images.marianweb.net/archives/pdfs/momm/worksheets/Hands\\_of\\_Mercy\\_Craft.pdf](https://images.marianweb.net/archives/pdfs/momm/worksheets/Hands_of_Mercy_Craft.pdf)

Colouring page (attached)

Image craft

<https://www.catholicicing.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/Divine-Mercy-Jesus.pdf>

With whom did devotion to Divine Mercy originate? How did it start?

1. What is the main message of Divine Mercy?
2. Describe the Divine Mercy image.
3. How do you pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy?
4. When is the Divine Mercy Novena typically started?
5. Why is 3 o'clock so important for practicing a devotion to Divine Mercy?
6. When do we celebrate a specific devotion to Divine Mercy?

## Pastoral Team News



If you were to look at the Pastoral Team calendar you would see that we had planned a Church Brunch to be held right after Mass on this Sunday. The team has worked hard to make sure that we had as many opportunities as possible to bring us together. We are disappointed that we can't be with you at Mass and for brunch.

We miss seeing you every week at Mass, and we miss coming together for our regular pastoral events. So, your Pastoral Team (Libby Kinghorne, Teresa Flinn, Donna Goguen, Steffie Hawrylak-Young, Marcia Burke, Fran Cody, Sr. Rita, Barb MacGillivray, )each send a greeting to you, our church family:

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## Finance Corner

We continue to receive inquiries from Parishioners how they might support our Church without being able to be physically present. Many in our community may be facing financial difficulties, and their first priority must be taking care of the needs of their families and loved ones.

If Parishioners want to continue to support St. Theresa's and have the means to do so, please review the options available on the St. Theresa's website: "**How to Donate During the COVID-19 State of Emergency**". <http://www.sttheresaschurch.ca/how-to-donate-during-the-covid-19-state-of-emergency.html>

If you are used to online or mobile banking one of the easiest options besides Pre-Authorized Payment (which is easy too) is **e-transfer**. A number of people have recently used it and are amazed how easy it is and we thank them for their donations.

You can use the Interac e-transfer feature from your online or mobile bank account to email a donation to:

**office@stfrancisandstclareparish.ca**

### How to e-Transfer

The first step is to setup the Parish email address as a payee. Each bank has its own procedure for setting up a payee. Generally it can be found in the section where payments or transfers are made. Look for something like "Add Recipient". You will be asked for the recipient's name: **St Francis and St Clare of Assisi Parish** and the recipient's email address: **office@stfrancisandstclareparish** . No security question is needed because when you send the donation, it will be automatically deposited and the parish office will be notified. Check the links below to some of the major financial institutions for more specific details.

It is important to use the message feature of the Interac transfer and specify:

- your name
- your envelope box number, if you have one
- the church through which you are donating and
- the specific purpose of the donation, if you choose to do so like Sunday collection, My Extra Help, etc.

To everyone who is able to continue to contribute at this time, we thank you for your generosity. May God bless you and keep you, your Family and friends safe and healthy which will keep St. Theresa's strong!

Royal Bank <https://www.rbcroyalbank.com/onlinebanking/bankingusertips/emt/save.html>

CIBC <https://www.cibc.com/en/personal-banking/ways-to-bank/how-to/send-interac-e-transfer.html>

Credit Union <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eEjASPLzDG0>

ScotiaBank <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eEjASPLzDG0>

TD <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ttANawW4tPE>

BMO [https://www.bmo.com/pdf/OLBB\\_Quick\\_Start\\_Guides\\_Interac\\_E.pdf](https://www.bmo.com/pdf/OLBB_Quick_Start_Guides_Interac_E.pdf)

## Diocesan News

### **ARCHBISHOP MANCINI'S WEEKLY VIDEO MESSAGE:**

Visit: [www.halifaxarmouth.org/video](http://www.halifaxarmouth.org/video)